

## Collection Update for August 2019

17,614 new items were added in August including:

### Hosted

- ✓ Boston Public Library - Carte de Visite Collection (2 items)\*
- ✓ Boston Public Library - Ellen F. O'Connor Collection (144 items)
- ✓ Boston Public Library - Norman B. Leventhal Map Center Collection (8 items)\*
- ✓ Boston Public Library - Richard Merrill Collection (2,289 items)
- ✓ Brockton Public Library - Illustrations from the Shoe Industry in Brockton, Massachusetts (7 items)
- ✓ Falmouth Public Library - Falmouth Public Library Historical Postcard Collection (2,296 items)
- ✓ The Winsor School - The Fine Arts Collection of The Winsor School (185 items)

\* items added to existing collection  
\*\* re-harvest

### Harvested

- ✓ University of Massachusetts Boston, Joseph P. Healey Library (4 new collections; 12,673 new items)\*\*

129,832 Item views    761,621 Total item-level records    305,623 Total hosted items



### Contextual Conversations: Representation and Digital Practice

Digital Commonwealth's 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference  
Tuesday April 7, 2020  
College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA

The 2020 Conference will pick up on questions raised at last year's conference to address the theme of "Contextual Conversation: Representation and Digital Practice". The Call for Speakers is now open. Interested speakers are requested to submit abstracts of 1 page or less in length. Topics of interest include but are not limited to: contextualizing collections concerning underrepresented communities; collaboration with underrepresented communities; developing inclusive discovery tools; issues and opportunities in the role of interpretation and curation of digital collections. Sessions will be 1 hour in length and may be individual presentations, a proposal to serve on a panel, or 2-3 speakers may submit a joint proposal for a panel or moderated discussion.

Abstracts should be submitted by email no later than **Tuesday October 1, 2019** to [digitalcommonwealth@gmail.com](mailto:digitalcommonwealth@gmail.com). Click [here](#) to view the complete Call for Speakers.

### 2020 Conference Keynote Speaker Announced...

The DC Conference Committee is delighted to announce that Elaine Westbrooks, Vice Provost of University Libraries & University Librarian at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill will be the 2020 Keynote Speaker. Ms. Westbrooks was a keynote speaker at DPLAFest 2019 and has presented her research at various conferences including the Digital Library Federation, Coalition for Networked Information, Dublin Core, and the Association of College and Research Libraries. She is a member of the ARL Advocacy and Public Policy Committee, the Executive Committee and Governing Board of the Triangle Research Libraries Network, and the University Librarians' Advisory Council for the seventeen campus University of North Carolina System. She co-edited *Metadata in Practice* with Diane Hillmann (2004) and *Academic Library Management: Case Studies* with Tammy Nickelson Dearie and Michael Meth in 2017. She has a B.A. in Linguistics and a MLIS from the University of Pittsburgh.



*Elaine Westbrooks*

### Register here...

**October 18**, "Getting Started with Digital Commonwealth", and presentation by Amy Lafave, The Jim Chervenak Library Director, Lenox Library, on their experience working with Digital Commonwealth followed by complimentary and Tour of Herman Melville's home [Arrowhead](#), Berkshire Historical Society. Spaces still available.

**December 6**, "VIP Tour of the BPL's Digitization Lab", DC Members Only.



## DPLA News...

The Digital Public Library of America has announced Shaneé Yvette Murrain as their new community manager. Currently university archivist and assistant professor at the University of West Georgia, Murrain will help DPLA advance their mission of ensuring equitable access to knowledge for all in this digital age. She will lead DPLA's work identifying and developing services, partnerships and products, to support a national network of more than 4,000 contributing organizations. She will work closely with the DPLA advisory council and network, which is composed of 35 hubs from 41 states of which Digital Commonwealth is one.

## Tribute to Gregor Trinkaus-Randall

by Digital Commonwealth Past President, Sadie Roosa

The Digital Commonwealth Board of Directors was saddened to hear of the passing of Gregor Trinkaus-Randall this August. Gregor, longtime Preservation Specialist with MBLC, served on the Board from its founding in 2006 until his retirement in 2018. He helped shape the organization into what it is today. The community has benefited from his dedication to preservation and disaster preparedness, as well as his efforts to bring organizations from outside the traditional libraries/archives/museums space, such as town clerks' offices and local historical societies, into Digital Commonwealth. His impact of Massachusetts's cultural heritage community will not soon be forgotten.



A celebration of Life for Gregor will be held on October 5th 2pm at the Stow Community Center in Stow, MA.

<https://www.lehmanreen.com/notices/Gregor-Trinkaus-Randall>

## Membership News

### Welcome new members!

- Annisquam Historical Society
- Home Farm

### Welcome back all our returning members!

- Boston City Archives
- Chicopee Public Library
- d'Alzon Library, Assumption College
- Emerson College
- Historic Newton
- Immigrant City Archives dba Lawrence History Center
- Lenox Library
- Lowell Historical Society
- Massachusetts Historical Society
- Milford Town library
- Needham Free Public Library
- Northeastern University Libraries
- Paul S. Russell, MD Museum of Medical History and Innovation at Massachusetts General Hospital
- Project SAVE Armenian Photograph Archives
- Regis Archives
- Salem Public Library
- Somerville Public Library
- University of Massachusetts Amherst
- Waltham Public Library

**Not a Member? Join [here](#).**

## Featured New Collection... Falmouth Public Library Historical Postcard Collection

For everyone that loves the Cape, take a look at the newly contributed collection of historical postcards from Falmouth that includes aerial views, buildings, taverns (inns), and more. Here are a couple of images to pique your interest. See the full collection [here](#).



*The Bluff and "Terrace Gables" Falmouth Heights (left)  
and Church of the Messiah, Woods Hole (right)*

## Oops...Photo Correction

The image of the Wachusett Catholic Cemetery on pg. 2 of the August Newsletter was incorrectly identified as being from the Frank Cousins Collection. It is in fact from the Massachusetts Metropolitan Water Works Photograph Collection.

<https://www.digitalcommonwealth.org/search/commonwealth:d217qt33r>

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