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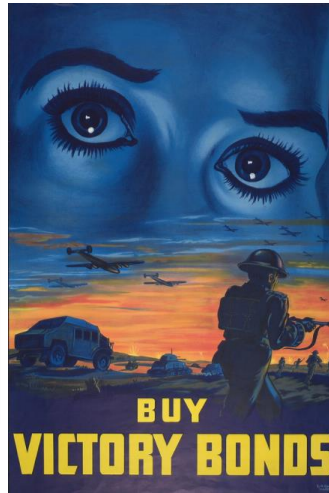
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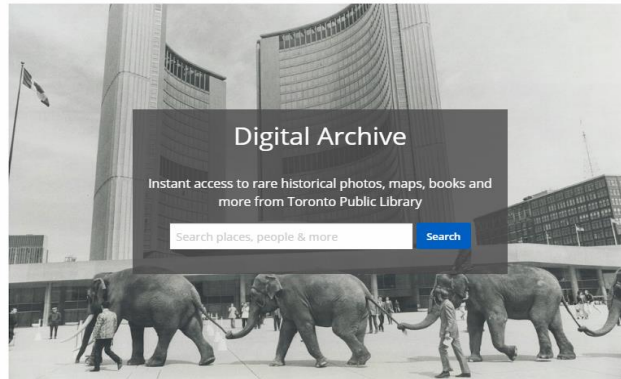
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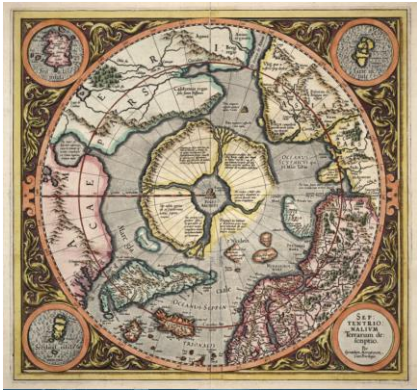
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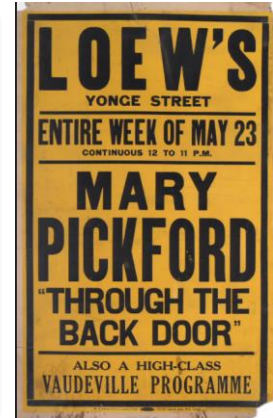
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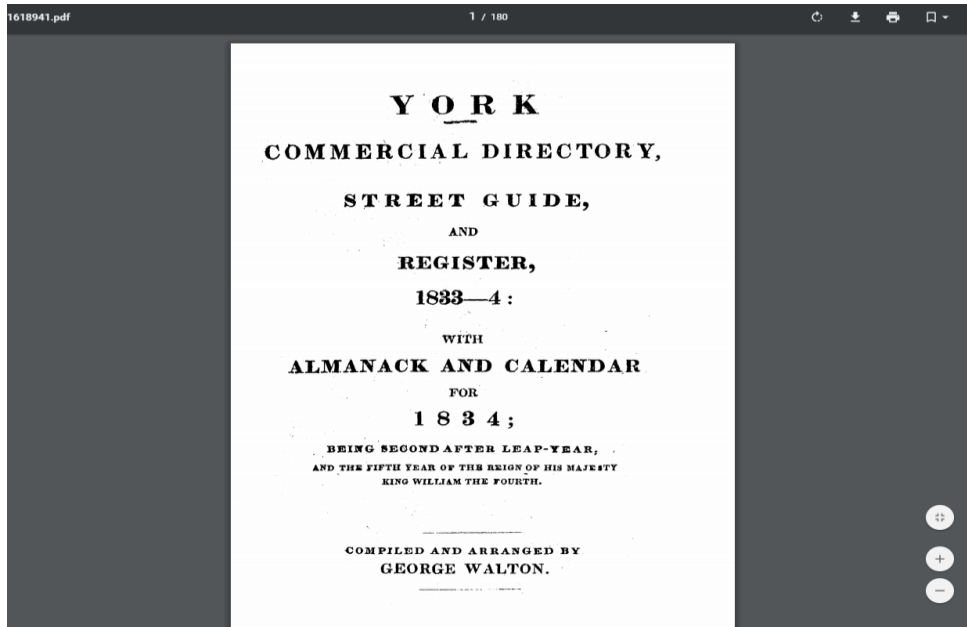


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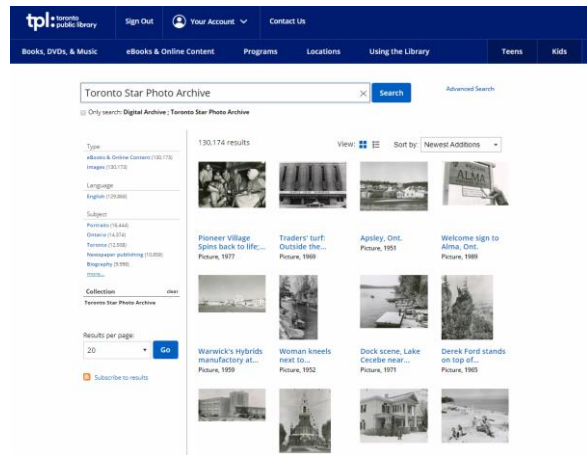
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Digitization for gallery exhibitions



New collection areas



Ontario content



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Digital Archive Ontario (DAO) website. The header features a dark blue navigation bar with 'About' and 'Français' links. The main banner has a historical map background and displays the title 'DIGITAL ARCHIVE ONTARIO' in large white letters, followed by the subtitle 'Current and historical content, curated by Toronto Public Library'. A search bar with the placeholder text 'Search photos, maps & more' and a blue 'Search' button is positioned below the subtitle. A yellow banner below the search bar contains a survey notice: 'Take a super quick survey to help us improve Digital Archive Ontario'. The main content area is titled 'How can I use DAO?' and features three columns, each with an icon, a title, and a description of how different groups can use the archive.

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Arts & Culture

Highlights of Items Digitized in 2017 and Available in the Digital Archive

December 14, 2017 | Eric

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In 2017, the Preservation & Digitization Department at the [Toronto Reference Library](#) has been busy digitizing more content for the public to research, view, download and enjoy. Items include maps, ephemera, photographs and full books. In terms of just page numbers alone, staff have digitized well over 215,000 pages!

We wanted to share with you just a sample of this activity. Please explore our [Digital Archive](#) and happy holidays!



Staff digitizing a large poster with high resolution overhead scanner

Maps



Karte von den Boyen Rheeden und Hafen von Plaisance auf der Insel Terre Neuve, 1744



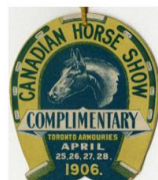
"Underground" routes to Canada: showing the lines of travel of fugitive slaves, 1896



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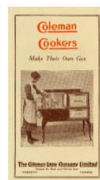
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Canadian Horse Show, Toronto Armories, April 25, 26, 27, 28, 1906



Facts concerning Canadian National Exhibition, 1918



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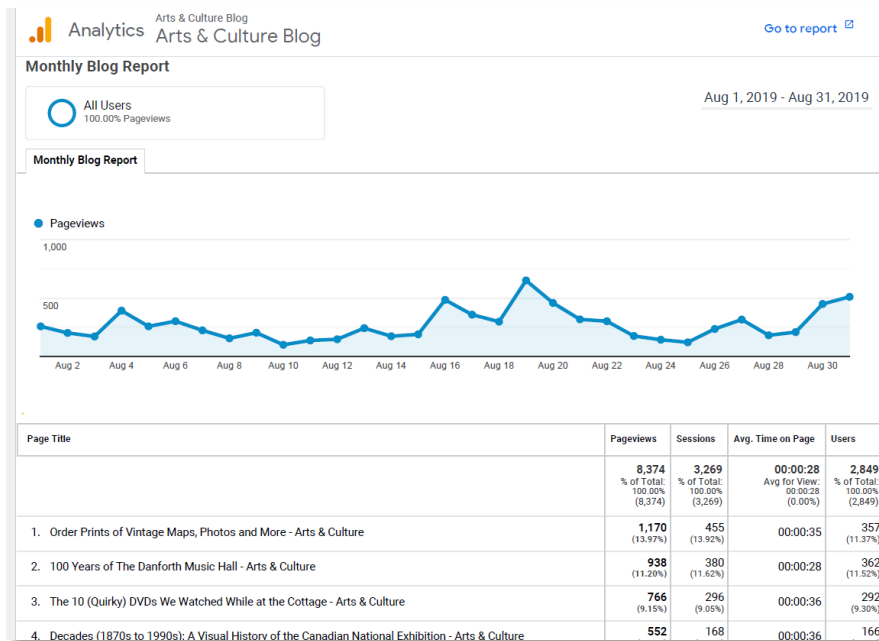


Dr. Jug's medicine for lungs, liver and blood, 1886

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Collaborative projects

TPL's Digital Archive Collaborates with Sidewalk Labs

June 7, 2018 | Eric

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Close to 4,000 images from the Toronto Public Library's Digital Archive have been added to the #OldTO website at <https://oldto.sidewalklabs.com/>.



OldTO Website

Earlier this year, Sidewalk Labs collaborated with the City of Toronto Archives and used their image data to create a clickable map of Toronto to highlight digital images from their collections.

OldTO is an open-source map tool created by Sidewalk Labs that provides block-by-block browsing of historic Toronto photographs. What better way to browse Toronto historical photographs and maps than on a virtual map of the city!



OldTO Website



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A New Bicycle Station Facility Sparks a Collaboration with Our Special Collections

May 8, 2019 | Eric

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In 2015, to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the new Toronto City Hall, Toronto Public Library's (TPL) Special Collections and Preservation & Digitization departments created a website to explore the many architectural contributions to this international design competition.



Eero Saarinen and Ernesto Frigeri, judges for the City Hall and Square Competition, Toronto, 1958.

The goal was to digitize and make available to the public photographs of the many models and drawings from the competition, which drew over 500 entrants. This physical archive is housed in Marilyn and Charles Baillie Special Collections Centre at the Toronto Reference Library. The digitized surrogates are available in the online Digital Archive.

About this Blog

The library's blog devoted to the discovery of diverse artistic, music and cultural works in the library and Toronto.

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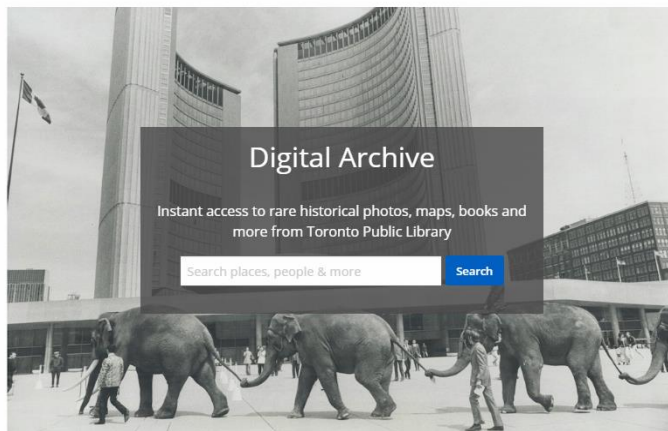
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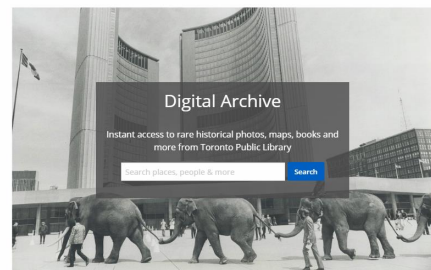
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