Digital Heritage Center to Explore Moving Image Digitization

DigitalNC is going to the movies! Or, to be fair, the movies are coming to us. We're excited to announce a new project to digitize a selection of historic films and videos from North Carolina libraries and museums. This experimental work will help us to determine how feasible it is for us to provide audiovisual digitization services in the future. We’ll contact our partners this summer and hope to have a small number of historic films streaming on DigitalNC by early next year. Get your popcorn ready.

High School Yearbook Project Reaches 1,500 Volumes

The North Carolina High School Yearbook digitization project continues to be popular with libraries around the state. We recently surpassed 1,500 yearbooks and have many more coming soon. New additions this spring have included yearbooks from Raleigh, High Point, Asheville, Burlington, and Charlotte.

Featured Image: Johnny Peacock College and Minor League Baseball Scrapbook, 1927-1965

Fremont, N.C. native Johnny Peacock was a part-time catcher for several Major League teams, including the Boston Red Sox. The Wayne County Public Library has a rich collection of scrapbooks documenting local baseball stars.

VISIT ONLINE http://library.digitalnc.org/cdm/ref/collection/ncmemory/id/96694
Historic Boone

The Historic Boone collection, housed at the Watauga County Public Library, provides a fascinating look at the history of Boone, N.C., from 19th-century frontier outpost to modern tourist destination. The photographs show a range of people and places in Boone over the last century, from early construction on Grandfather Mountain to modern libraries and schools. Users can now access 500 historic images of Boone on DigitalNC.

M.S. Brown
Photos of Tarboro

When M.S. Brown showed up at community events in Tarboro in the 1950s he always brought two things: a supply of Coca-Cola and his camera. Brown managed the local Coke bottling plant and was a regular presence at parades, barbecues, and baseball games, all of which he photographed. We’ve been working with the Edgecombe County Memorial Library to digitize some of the highlights of his collection. More than 200 of Brown’s photos of Tarboro life in the 1940s and 1950s are now available on DigitalNC.

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During the last few years of World War II, the Tarboro Rotary Club published a newsletter for the Edgecombe County servicemen and their families. Designed to be sent to soldiers overseas, the newsletter reported on local news and events peppered with illustrations and jokes. One of our favorites is the Mothers of Servicemen Issue, published in May 1945 and containing portraits of more than 100 mothers. The original issues are in the Janie F. Allsbrook Local History Collection at the Edgecombe County Memorial Library.

The small Macon County community of Highlands has long been a destination for visitors looking for a quiet, cool place to spend the summer. The Galax News, a weekly typewritten paper, reported on the events and activities for the summer residents. Published by the local theater, the papers included movie listings as well as information about what events were going on at area churches, thecomings and goings of part-time residents, and even the guest list of the local hotels for the week. The original papers are part of the history collection at the Highlands Historical Society.

As of July 14, 2014, the Digital Heritage Center has scanned and published:

- 265,000 pages
- 38,500 issues
- 94 titles

Rex Hospital School of Nursing Graduates, 1937.

The library at Rex Healthcare in Raleigh has a historical collection documenting the history of the hospital and the nursing school it operated for many years. The library worked with the Digital Heritage Center to digitize photographs, scrapbooks, and yearbooks.

Visit online at http://library.digitalnc.org/cdm/ref/collection/ncimages/id/8687
OUR PARTNERS

The following institutions have worked with the North Carolina Digital Heritage Center to share materials from their collections online at DigitalNC.org:

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Allegany County Public Library
Appalachian State University
Ashe County Public Library
Barton College
Belmont Abbey College
Bennett College
Benson Museum of Local History
Brawley Smith Memorial Library (Rocky Mount, N.C.)
Brevard College
Buncombe County Public Libraries
Cabarrus College of Health Sciences
Cabarrus County Public Library
Campbell University
Carolina Aviation Museum
Carolina's College of Health Sciences
Catawba College
Catawba County Library
Central Carolina Community College
Central Piedmont Community College
Chapel Hill Historical Society
Charlotte Hawkins Brown Museum
Charlotte Mecklenburg Library
Chatham County Historical Association
Chatham County Public Library
Chowan University
Cleveland Community College
Catawba County School
Core Sound Waterfowl Museum & Heritage Center
Cumberland County Public Library
Danbury Public Library
Davidson College
Davie County Public Library
Duke University
Duke University Medical Center Archives
Durham County Library
Durham Technical Community College
East Bend Public Library
East Carolina University
Edgecombe Community College
Edgecombe County Memorial Library
Elizabeth City State University
Elkin Public Library
Elon University
Farmville Public Library
Fayetteville State University
Fayetteville Technical College
Forsyth County Public Library
Fort Bragga Cultural Resources Management Program
Gardner-Webb University
Gaston College
Gaston County Public Library
Granville County Museum
Granville County Public Library
Greensboro College
Greensboro Historical Museum
Guilford College
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Harnett County Public Library
Henderson Institute Historical Museum
Heritage Research Center at High Point Public Library
Hickory Public Library
High Point Museum
High Point University
Highlands Historical Society
Hosston-Elizabethton Memorial Library (Clayton, N.C.)
Indian Historical Society of Greater Charlotte located at the Levine-Sklof Judaic Library and Resource Center
Johnson C. Smith University
King Public Library
Kings Mountain Historical Museum
Lawndale Historical Society
Lees-McRae College
Lenoir-Rhyne University
Lincoln County Public Library
Louisburg College
Madison County Public Library
Marc Hill University
Martin Memorial Public Library (Williamston, N.C.)
McDowell County Public Library
Merry School of Nursing
Meredith College
Methodist University
Mitchell Community College
Montgomery County Public Library
Montreat College
Moore County Library
Mount Airy Public Library
Mount Olive College
Museum & Archives of Rockingham County
Museum of the Albemarle
NC LIVE
New Bern-Craven County Public Library
North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University
North Carolina Central University
North Carolina Division of State Historic Sites and Properties
North Carolina Humanities Council
North Carolina Wesleyan College
Northwestern Regional Library
Old Jamestown School Association
Old Salem Museums & Gardens
Olivia Raney Local History Library
Orange County Historical Museum
Pasquotank County Library
Peace College
Pender County Public Library
Perry Memorial Library (Henderson, N.C.)
Pfeiffer University
Piedmont Aviation Historical Society
Pitt Community College
Queens University of Charlotte
Randolph Community College
Randolph County Public Library
Rex Healthcare Library
Richmond Community College
Robeson Community College
Robeson County Public Library
Rockingham Community College
Rowan-Cabarrus Community College
Rutherford County Library
Saint Augustine’s University
Saint Mary’s School
Salem College
Sallie Mae Ligon Museum & Archives & Maria Home for Children at Oxford
Sandhill Regional Library System
Shaw University
Sheppard Memorial Library (Greensboro, N.C.)
Southern Archives
Southern Pines Community College
St. Andrews University
Stanislaus County Museum
Stokes County Historical Society
Surry Community College
The Crossnore School
Transylvania County Library
Tufts Archives (Pinehurst, N.C.)
University of North Carolina at Asheville
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
University of North Carolina at Charlotte
University of North Carolina at Greensboro
University of North Carolina at Pembroke
University of North Carolina at Wilmington
Wake County Public Libraries
Wake Forest School of Medicine
Wake Forest University
Washington County Library
Watauga County Public Library
Wayne Community College
Wayne County Public Library
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About the North Carolina Digital Heritage Center

The North Carolina Digital Heritage Center is a statewide digitization and digital publishing program housed in the North Carolina Collection at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The Digital Heritage Center works with cultural heritage institutions across North Carolina to digitize and publish historic materials online. It is supported by the State Library of North Carolina with funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, and by the UNC-Chapel Hill University Library.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

The North Carolina Digital Heritage Center provides digitization and digital publishing services to cultural heritage organizations in North Carolina. Any organization that is open to the public and holds rare or unique materials related to the history and culture of North Carolina is eligible to work with the Digital Heritage Center. We have worked with libraries, archives, museums, and historical societies from around the state, ranging from very small organizations run by a single person to large academic institutions.

If you are interested in sharing selections from your collection online, or if you have questions about digitization in general, contact the Digital Heritage Center at digitalnc@unc.edu or (919) 962-4836. We are especially interested in hearing from smaller organizations who have not done any digitization on their own, as well as organizations from counties that are not yet represented on DigitalNC.org.