**ABOUT US**

Publication of Archival, Library & Museum Materials (PALMM) is a cooperative initiative of the public universities of Florida to provide digital access to important source materials for research and scholarship. PALMM projects may involve a single university or may be collaborative efforts between a university and partners within or outside of the state university system. PALMM projects create high-quality virtual collections relevant to the students, research community and general citizenry of Florida.

Materials in most PALMM collections can be found by searching a union database of PALMM materials (click on button). A small number of collections are not included in the union database. To search within a specific collection, see the list below.

**THE PALMM COLLECTIONS**

**Archives Florida** is a searchable and browseable database of finding aids (guides) to personal papers, organizational records, and other special collections held by archives, libraries, museums, historical societies and other agencies in Florida. It is a growing database as new finding aids and contributing organizations are added all the time. Finding aids are searchable collectively, or by individual archives.

**Aerial Photography Florida** is a collection of aerial photographs taken between 1930 and 2000. Literally, a portrait of the State, the collection will be comprised of hundreds of thousands of aerial photographs documenting the land use of Florida over time.

**Big Cypress National Preserve Collection** documents the natural heritage of the Big Cypress National Preserve, part of the U.S. Park Service located in southwest Florida. Photographs show flora and fauna including deer, pather, pines, hardwoods, prairies, mangrove forests, cypress stands and domes.

**Coral Gables Memory** is an album of photographs donated to the City of Coral Gables by Kerdyk Realty. These photos of homes and business structures were taken mostly in the 1940s. The buildings shown were built in the 1920s and 1930s. They show the development of Coral Gables, a planned community that drew from the Garden City and City Beautiful movements of the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

**The Everglades Digital Library** (EDL) is a comprehensive portal to high-quality Internet resources relating to the south Florida environment. These resources include online texts, articles, reports, photographs, maps, datasets, educational materials, and historical records, as well as links to organizational web sites and agency home pages. The EDL portal software (CWIS) allows you to rate or comment on the records you find, browse unique, Everglades-related topics, and receive recommendations on new items of interest.

**Florida Environments Online** contains both digital full text materials and research bibliographies about the ecology and environment of Florida. Digitized materials include more than 200 seminal texts on species and ecosystems selected by scientific experts throughout the state of Florida and digitized specifically for the **Linking Florida's Natural Heritage** project. They also include the publications of the Florida Geological Society, and agricultural documents created by the Agricultural Experiment Station/Extension Service (IFAS) and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Affairs, as well as engineering documents created by the UF Engineering and Industrial Experiment Station.
The Florida Heritage Collection is an ongoing cooperative project of the libraries of the state universities of Florida to digitize and provide online access to materials broadly representing Florida's history, culture, arts, literature, sciences and social sciences. Thematic areas in this growing collection include Native American and minority populations, exploration and development, tourism, the natural environment, and regional interests. Materials are taken from archives, special collections, and libraries of the ten state universities.

Florida Historical Legal Documents is a growing collection of primary source materials surveying changes in Florida law from the time it became a territory in 1822 through 1845 when Florida became a state. The collection includes the complete Florida Territorial Laws, a time capsule of Florida history documenting the establishment of the territorial court system based on British Common Law as of July 4, 1776. Other materials in the collection offer supplementary information about the legal, political and social history of Florida before and after its Territorial period. Most materials, including Florida Territorial Laws, can be searched in full-text; others are available only as page-images.

Florida Historical Quarterly is the online version of Florida Historical Quarterly, the academic journal of the Florida Historical Society. The Quarterly has served to expand understanding of Florida's historical development and offers a broad spectrum of articles in scholarly research and appreciation for the peoples, places, themes, and diversity of Florida's past. The Quarterly through 2003 is available online and most issues are fulltext searchable. Continuous Work is underway to place the more recent issues online as well.

Koreshan State Historic Site Collection is a digital photo-album documenting the Koreshan State Historic Site, one of Florida's state parks and a cultural heritage site. Koreshan State Historic Site is the former home of a unique group of late 19th century pioneers who built a utopian community, a "New Jerusalem," on the banks of the Estero River in southwest Florida.

Linking Florida's Natural Heritage: Science and Citizenry is a project funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services to create a virtual library of Florida ecological information from heterogeneous museum, library, and citation databases throughout the state of Florida. This is a model program of cooperation between the Florida Museum of Natural History; the libraries of the University of Florida, Florida International University, and Florida Atlantic University; and the Florida Center for Library Automation. Museum specimen databases, library catalogs, and other citation databases can be queried for taxonomic and topical information from the LFNH website. The Florida Environments Online database is searchable through this site.

Literature for Children is a collection of the treasures of children's literature published largely in the United States and Great Britain from before 1850 to beyond 1950. At the core of this Collection are books from the Baldwin Library of Historical Children's Literature, housed in the Department of Special Collections and Area Studies at the University of Florida. Books from the Departments of Special Collections at the Florida Atlantic University, Florida State University, and the University of South Florida join volumes from the Baldwin Library to complete the Collection.

The Miami Metropolitan Archive is a cooperative effort of the Urban, Regional & Local Government Documents Department at Florida International University Libraries and the City of Miami City Clerk's Office to provide digital access to important source materials on Miami-Dade County urban development. Currently, early City of Miami City Council meeting minutes, charters, departmental annual reports, and planning documents from 1896 to 1966 are archived here with more collections and services to come.

Mile Markers is a community photo album depicts the diverse cultural history and economic development of the Florida Keys (1880-present). Early industries such as sponging, shark fishing, turtle canning, and cigar manufacturing are present as well as the unique architecture, sea, sun, fishing, and fun often associated with Keys vacations. Images of the building of Flagler's Florida East Coast Railway, construction of the Overseas Highway, presidential visits, the founding of the Conch Republic, the Mariel Boat Lift, and the aftermath of devastating hurricanes are also searchable here.
Psychological Study of the Arts explores literary questions using psychology, often psychoanalytic psychology. The materials collected here address such questions as, Why does this writer write the way he or she does? Why do different people read differently, as they do? How can we understand such-and-such a character or genre psychologically? They deal with the processes of perception, memory, word recognition, cognitive development, metaphor, and personal identity in both the creation and reading of literature. The concepts explored have natural extensions to media other than words on paper, to film, video, the visual arts, and so on.

Reclaiming the Everglades documents the history of the Everglades and the south Florida environment from 1884-1934. The digitized items represent a rich diversity of unique or rare materials: personal correspondence, essays, typescripts, reports and memos; photographs, maps and postcards; and publications from individuals and the government. The collection is a collaboration between the libraries at the University of Miami, Florida International University, and the Historical Museum of Southern Florida. Reclaiming the Everglades is an LC/Ameritech award-winning collection, also available through the Library of Congress's American Memory.

The Ringling Collection is comprised of cabinet cards, postcards and photographs of 19th Century American and British actors and actresses. There are more than 6,000 images in this digital collection depicting more than 3,000 actors and actresses. The Collection is important not simply for its pictures of the idols of a bygone era but for its depictions of clothing, hair styles, and other indicators of the period's social mores and attitudes. The original collection is housed in the Belknap Collection for the Performing Arts in the Smathers Libraries' Department of Special Collections at the University of Florida.

The Sanborn® Fire Insurance Company Maps of Florida comprise a collection of more than 300 bibliographic units in more than 3,000 map sheets. The maps were mainly designed to help fire insurance agents determine the degree of damage to a property and show accurate information to help them determine risks and establish premiums. Along with fire stations, you could also find water facilities, sprinklers, hydrants, cisterns, and alarm boxes as well as firewalls, windows, doors, elevators and chimneys and roof types. The maps included street names, property boundaries and lot lines, and house and block numbers.

Sanibel Island History documents the historical development of the people, institutions and natural environment of Sanibel Island, a barrier island on the southwest Florida coast.

Southwest Florida is a collection of recent and historical scientific information related to the environment of Southwest Florida, the Caloosahatchee River and its watershed. There are reports, surveys, monographs and other materials.

Textual Collections contains collections of books, journal issues, newspapers, legal documents and other publications intended to be read. (See Visual Collections for art images and other materials intended to be viewed.) Some items in Textual Collections have searchable full text, some are page images or PDF files only, and some can be viewed in multiple ways.

The University of Florida Herbarium Collections Catalog is a searchable database of the label data for about 23,000 of the approximately 400,000 herbarium specimens on file in the vascular plant and bryophyte and lichen collections. (Wood, seed and fungal specimens are not included.) This catalog is cross-linked with the catalog of the PALMM Collection Type Specimens in the University of Florida Herbarium where type details are provided. High-resolution digital images are available for selected specimens including certain type specimens and poisonous plants.

The University of Florida Performing Arts Materials on the colorful history of theater, film and dance selected from the Performing Arts Collections of the Belknap Collection for

United States Virgin Islands History and Culture is a collection of archival, library, and museum materials documenting Virgin Islands' heritage and social life and customs. The materials in this collection
the Performing Arts in the Smathers Libraries’ Department of Special Collections on the campus to the University of Florida.

were selected from a group of items digitized as part of a National Leadership grant entitled Digitization for Access and Preservation, from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) to the University of the Virgin Islands Libraries in partnership with the Virgin Islands Division of Libraries, Archives and Museums.

Visual Collections contains collections of photographs, maps and other visual materials. Descriptions of the items in the collections can be searched by creator, title, subject, geographic area, medium, and other relevant characteristics. Maps and other large-sized materials are represented by scalable (zoomable) images that can be enlarged or made smaller.

The Eric Eustace Williams Collection is both a bibliography and a growing library of digitized works by and about Dr. Williams, the first Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago who is often called "the father of the Nation". Dr. Williams' importance as an historic figure is as much as a philosopher as a politician. The works listed and collected here include Dr. Williams' many monographs and essays, together with his political speeches and other published works. Also included is a characterization of Dr. Williams' political life as reported by the Trinidad Guardian.

The Wolfsonian-FIU Modern Dutch Collection consists of selected digitized items from the Wolfsonian—FIU's collection of Dutch artifacts, including rare book covers, calendars, proofs, advertisements, and original sketches. The museum's collection also includes glass, textiles, furniture, and design drawings dating from circa 1880 to 1940, as well as an unrivaled collection of "Nieuwe Kunst" (Art Nouveau or "new art").

World Map Collections are a cooperative project of several public and private universities of Florida and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to make digitized modern and antique maps available on the Web. The Florida and Caribbean collections are particularly strong, but Africa, the Americas, and the Middle East are also represented. These are growing collections; new maps are added weekly.

Yiddish Children's Books is a part of the Joseph and Mary Savetsky Yiddish Resources Collection at the Florida Atlantic University Libraries. This is the largest Yiddish Collection in the Southeast United States. The condition and uniqueness of the Yiddish Children's Books collection makes them ideal candidates for a digital library. The children's books represented in this collection include original stories by Yiddish authors that include Sholem Aleichem, Jacob Pat, and Sholem Asch, as well as Yiddish translations of non-Jewish children's stories by such authors as Hans Christian Andersen, Rudyard Kipling, and Jacob Grimm.

The PALMM HOMEPAGE is intended primarily for use by staff at participating institutions. It includes links to PALMM guidelines and procedures, national standards and resources, grant funding opportunities, and downloadable promotional materials. The PALMM site also links to a searchable database of PALMM collections, proposed PALMM collections, and related digital collections.