

Library of Congress PAC Regional North America Center

August 2014- August 2015 Activities

The Preservation Directorate of the Library of Congress supports PAC through the sharing of information by:

- Providing tours for International visitors—34 from Honduras, The Netherlands, Korea, China, Algeria, Germany, Canada, Japan, France, Brussels, and The United Kingdom;
- Presenting at international conferences, such as the International Council for Museums Triennial Conference, held September 15th – 19th, 2014 in Melbourne Australia; and supporting other international work through committee work and presentations.
- Hosting meetings, such as the Audio Media Preservation through Imaging Conference held July 15th – 17th, 2015;
- Collaborating with international institutions, such as the University College of London (UCL) on the development of Doctoral Heritage Science Program.
- Hosting events which are also available via webinar and via webcast at <http://www.loc.gov/preservation/>.

The Preservation Directorate assists in developing the next generation of professions through fellowships and internships which are open to international students

<http://www.loc.gov/preservation/outreach/>.

The Preservation Directorate supports the IFLA PAC in the following IFLA Key Initiatives:

IFLA Strategic Plan Key Initiative 4 – Cultural Heritage Disaster Reconstruction

Programme: Culture is a basic need, a community thrives through its cultural heritage, it dies without it

- Commented and participated in Risk Register providing United States participants
- LC members active in AIC CERT which has assisted internationally
- Emergency Response Consultancy to INION Institute Moskow, in light of the recent disaster in which millions of items were damaged by water or fire.

IFLA Strategic Plan Key Initiative 1 – Digital Content Programme: Driving access to content and digital resources, for library users.

- Library of Congress World Digital Library supports free access to manuscripts, rare books, maps, photographs, and other important cultural documents from all countries and cultures in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish. See <http://www.wdl.org/en/>

- The Library continues to create digital images of foreign materials published before 1893 held by the Library.
- Music materials of rare early printed music are a continuing digitization project
- The Library of Congress harvests the IFLA website
http://loc-wm.archive.org/all/2010-2015*/http://www.ifla.org/

Strategic Progress and Outlook for the Future of the Preservation Directorate of the Library of Congress with IFLA PAC

- Continue to harvest the IFLA website
- Provided IPN (International Preservation News) digitized files and assisted in mounting on the IFLA website
- In the process of adding English and Spanish language disaster recovery workshop video to the Library of Congress Preservation Directorate website
- Will continue as the PAC Regional Center for North America