

VITA 5 Data Management Manual

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3.1

Logging on to VITA

Access the logon page at: https://data.vitatoolkit.ca/



Enter your username and password. Usernames and passwords are assigned by your site and agency administrators.

Click on Login button

Note: links to the VITA Toolkit Network ("Connect") and Live Chat support ("Get help") are both available on this screen as well as a link to find out more about OurDigitalWorld.

If you are managing data in multiple agencies, you will be presented with a list of agencies. Select the agency whose collection content you are planning to work on.





Select Agency

Please select the name of the agency whose records you plan to update

- Aiax Public Library
- Algonquin Area Public Library
- Amethyst Mine Panorama
- Atikokan Mining Attraction Association
- Bancroft Public Library
- Barrie Public Library

- Beardmore Regional Historical Society
 Belleville Public Library
 Bibliothèque Du Canton d'Alfree Planta
- Bibliothèque Publique de Clarence-Rockland
- · Bibliothèque publique de Hawkesbury
- Bibliothèque Publique de La Nation
- Bibliothèque publique du canton de Russell
- . Blind River Public Library
- Bradford West Gwillimbury Public Library
- Brampton Library
- Brock University Archives
- Brockton Heritage Committee Bronte Historical Society
- · Burk's Falls, Armour & Ryerson Union PL
- Burlington Historical Society

If you work with a single agency, you will be delivered immediately to the main menu of that agency.

3.2 **Adding Records**

The process for adding collection items is to add a record with or without a digital file, create the metadata record and associate other files with the record. The following is the basic add record procedure. If you are working with newspaper content (publication profiles, issues, articles/clippings and Birth Marriage & Death index records) see the VITA Newspaper Content Management manual for more specific instructions.

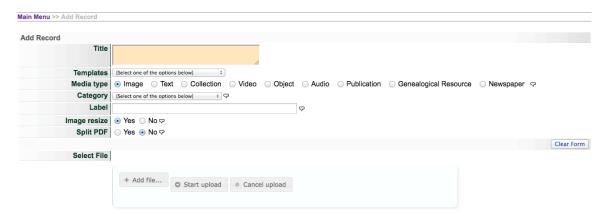
Add Record with Digital File 3.2.1

Once you click on the login button or agency name, you will be presented with the Main Menu.



Choose the option – **Add Record and upload file** from the Main Menu.

On the Add record screen, enter the following data:



Title - Enter a working title for the record you are creating. The title can be edited at any time.

Media type - Choose the media type **of the object file you are going to describe**. Default options may include image, text, video, audio, newspaper, or genealogical resource. *Please note that the site administrator can select the default media types to appear on this screen.* The media type you choose here will dictate the template for input fields used to enter data.

Common Media Types include:

- o Image
- o Text
- Video
- Object
- o Audio
- Newspaper
- Genealogical Resource

For example: If you are describing a postcard, the primary media type would be "Image" and you can select "Text" as secondary media type once your record is established (see next steps). If you are uploading an audio file of an oral history, for example, upload the audio file first and select media type and category "Audio" then associate another file with the record and upload the image file that will represent the oral history once the record is established. Choosing the right media type and category at this stage affects what transformations are applied to the file you are uploading, and how this file will be served to the end-user.

Category – The category determines how the system will handle and display the file you are uploading. I.e. the tool will resize an image file to thumb+reg+full display sizes if the appropriate category is selected and the

tool is "allowed" to resize; text, audio and video files must have matching media types and categories. See below for more information.

Remember: you can later replace the files in this category for each record.

Options include:

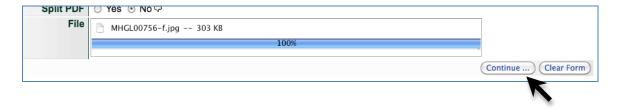
- Thumbnail + Regular + Full
- Thumbnail + Regular
- Thumbnail (Only one allowed)
- Regular (Only one allowed)
- Full Image (Only one allowed)
- Reverse (Only one allowed)
- Stereoview (Only one allowed)
- Detail (Multiple allowed)
- Not for Public Display (Multiple allowed)
 - Note: When you just want to display the file in the system, but not for the public discovery or display in the VITA site do not use in place of making a record Public or Non-Public
- o Audio (Multiple allowed) audio file is associated with record
- o Video (Multiple allowed) video file is associated with record
- Page (Multiple allowed)
- Text file (Multiple allowed)

Label – If you chose one of the following Category options: Reverse, Detail, Not for Public Display, Audio, Video, Page, or Text file you may add a brief (<50 characters) descriptive label that displays in the right hand navigation bar.

Change file size – This field applies only to Image files.

If you leave the selection at Yes, the image will be resized on the server according to the default values set up for your agency (organization). If you select no, the image file will not be resized. Image files that are not JPEG format will automatically be converted into a JPEG for web delivery and hosting through VITA.

File - Browse your computer for the digital object file that you are going to upload. Upon selecting the file, the uploader starts to work automatically. Once the file is at 100%, a "Continue..." button will appear in the bottom right of the screen. Click this to move to the next stage.



Uploading Video and Audio Files:

- Upload the audio or video file and select "Audio" or "Video" as the Media type and category
- In the File/Tech data screen, select "Associate another file with this record" and add a still image that will represent the audio or video file and select the "Thumb+Regular" category*
 - *optional for streaming (FLV) video files (see Plus Plan manual)

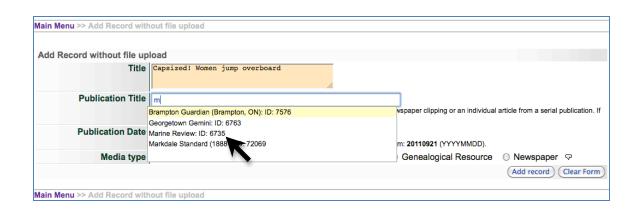
Uploading PDFs:

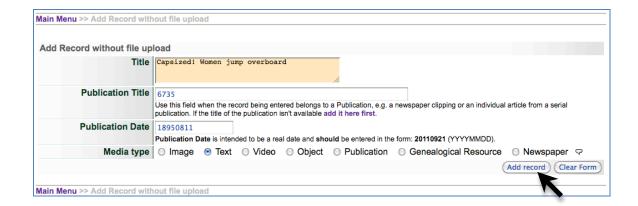
- 1. To display individual pages of any multipage object saved as a PDF, the file needs to be split. Select "Yes" for the Split PDF option.
- 2. Upload all PDF objects as media type "Text" and Category "Text" to auto-generate a thumbnail and regular display image from the first page.
- 3. Full text will be automatically extracted during upload.

For more information about uploading PDFs and associating full text, see the Text Object Management manual.

3.2.2 Adding a Record Without a Digital File

Use this option to create a record for a fragment of a larger part of your collection, like a clipping from a publication—i.e. to create a record without a scan or digital file. For more information, see Publications and/or the Text or Newspaper Content Management manual.





Part 4

Creating records in VITA

The basic data-entry template is divided into eight screens:

- Display displays how the record will look in the public interface
- File/Tech details the file list and information about each file associated with the record (e.g. File size, location, etc.) and input areas for technical metadata
- Descriptive data elements that describes the intellectual content of the digital object, and assists with the discovery of the object
- Geographic lists quick pick locations for collection and location input box with preview in Google Maps
- Administrative data elements that facilitate the management of the digital object and capture non-public information
- Groups for adding objects to existing groups and adding new groups
- Links for adding links to display with the object
- Delete offers the option of deleting the object from the index (Level 2 and higher)



Options available on more than one screen include:

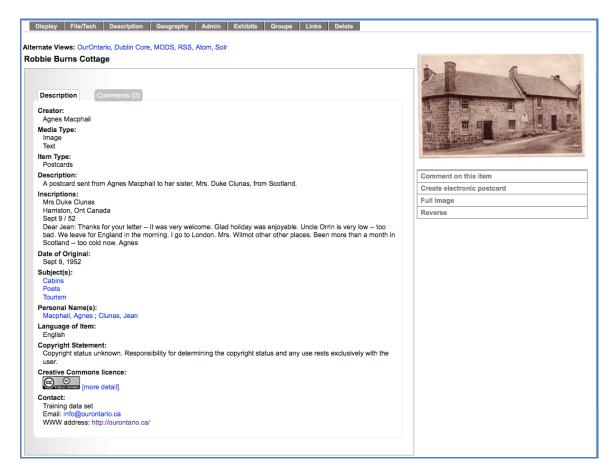
- Record ID on all screens except Display and Delete the record title is followed by the record ID number. This helps isolate and identify records to enable fast searching from the main menu via the Record ID search box.
- Update Record Button immediately updates the record to include the latest data that you have input. Update the record whenever you enter information in a data field or once you have finished entering the information on a given screen. Preview the updated record as it would appear to an end-user by viewing the record in the Display screen. Always update record before moving to a new screen.
- Public Display denotes whether the record is available on the public site. If yes, the record is available to end-users; if no, the record is only available to internal users of your organization who have login access to VITA software.



Helpful reminders - highly recommended data elements will appear on the top of the screen if they have not been completed.

4.1 Display screen

This screen allows you to view the record you are editing as it will appear when displayed to end-users. You can view the display screen at any time during data entry.



Alternate Views: enables you to open the metadata file for the individual record you're working on for export into other systems. Remember that a complete data export of all your agency records can be accomplished through the Agency Management screens (See the Site Administration Manual).

Display Screen Part 4.1

4.2 File/Technical data screen

The File Details list shows the digital files associated with the record and how they are organized by display category.

Digitization Details offers input boxes for tracking technical information about the digitization process. This technical information is for data management purposes only and is not made public.

Note: the options on the left side of the screen vary according to what stage you have reached in adding files.

If you do not add a thumbnail file, VITA will associate and display a generic image for the record's media type. This process is not tracked on the File/Tech data screen. For more information about default icons and graphics, see the VITA Site Administration Manual.

4.2.1 File Summary

File details are automatically generated as files and file types are associated with a record.



Details

- "File exists" provides the location of the digital object file.
- "OCR / full text" is a snippet of the text that is associated with the image file (if available).
- "Zoomify: files available" indicates that a zoomify file is associated with an image file and will offer up the zoomify display with optional JPEG view to users on the pubic side.

NOTE (June 2015): With the introduction of the JPEG 2000 viewer, we will be phasing out support for Zoomify Flash viewer. If you are inclined to convert your images or pages for dynamic pan-zoom, please shift your focus to using a JP2 converter instead. The upload, storage and viewer are all superior and better supported in an HTML5 environment.

4.2.1.1 File Order

- For objects with up to 20 files, order them by clicking and dragging the "sort" icon up or down the list. This will commit your changes.
- For objects with more than 20 pages order the pages using the numeric input boxes
 - Click the Update File Order button to commit your changes.



4.2.1.2 File Details/ Edit

To add, review or edit details associated with a file, click "Details/Edit" at the end of the File URL



File Details/Edit Screen

List of Voters for the Town of Paris for the Year 1896 page , Cover
Update/Edit values
Label:
Company of the Compan
Cover For the page number. e.g. "3" or "RE3" Do not enter labels like "page 3". The software will supply the
characters "page" when it is appropriate. Subsequent versions will allow you to supply alternate labels for "page" including translations.
Label (extension):
Used to briefly indicate significant features of a given page. e.g. "Chapter 2" or "Barber house [photo]" or "Index".
These don't appear as part of the pagination but do help users indicate significant landmarks in the drop down list of pages.
Category:
Page
Files:
Original File name: 1999.6702.01.01.jpg
Regular file (JPG): CBPL0700720001p.jpg
File Size: 222941 bytes, 1000 x 552 File Type: jpg
Put in public display?:
● Yes ○ No
Is this corrected OCR?:
○ Yes No
Index the text in this file?:
Yes ○ No
Turn this off if you have uploaded multiple versions of the same content (say a Word .DOC as well as a PDF file), so that we only index it once. Note : one of those files will need to be indexed.
Full text:

Label: Any label information will be carried forward from the Add Record screen. Edit Labels here.

Label (extension): Use this to distinguish a labelled page as something else, like Title Page, or Index. The file display will include a colon and the extension label (e.g. 1 : Title Page).

Category: The category displayed here reflects either the category selected on the Add Record screen (e.g. Text, Detail, Full, Regular, etc) or will be automatically populated during a batch upload of pages (i.e. Category: Page).

File: The digital file name, File Size in bytes and pixels, and File type.

Original File Name: The name of the file uploaded to the tool from your hard drive. This is key information for mapping between the digital object online in VITA and your copy of the digital file.

Put in Public Display?

Default is "Yes". Use this option to manage files that are not meant for public display such as specifically sized details files, or the text files associated with an object where you do not want the text file to be displayed, but want the content to be indexed for full text discovery.

Is this corrected OCR?

If your full text is correct (i.e. edited for correct spelling, etc), select "Yes". This allows the text from your page to be added to the index that drives the "Did you mean?" search help for end users.

Whether you select Yes or No, the full text displayed on this page is used for full text searching (see Index the text in this file?).

Index the text in this file?

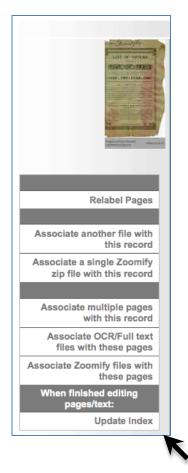
This allows you to select which of multiple text files will have their content indexed for full text discovery. E.g. if you upload a PDF object, the text will automatically be extracted if possible, but you can upload a DOC file with the corrected or complete text, then select "No" for the PDF and "Yes" for the DOC, and only the DOC file content will be indexed for full text, page-level results.

Full Text: Any full text that is auto-extracted from the uploaded object or any uploaded .txt, .doc., .rtf, .pdf or .xls files will appear in this input box; use this input box to manage, edit or review full text. This full text will <u>not</u> display in the public details of the object. There is a 1 million-character cap on what will be displayed in this area; if the character count exceeds this, you will not have editable access via this screen.

To overwrite full text in the index, replacement text must be input i.e. leaving the full text box empty and reindexing will **not** overwrite the original text. Add non-searchable text (e.g. alkdh foihf,smnd) so that end users will not retrieve confusing search results based on non-content text in these spaces.

Click "Update/Edit Values" to commit your changes on this page, then...

Return to the File/Tech Data screen and click the "**Update Index**" button to commit the changes:



Note: For more information on Relabeling Pages, see the Text Object Management or Newspaper Content Management manuals.

4.2.1.3 Associate other files

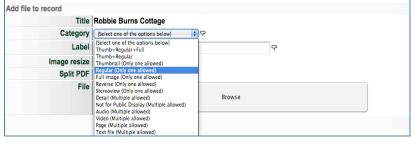


Use this feature if, for example, you want to add the reverse of an image, a detail, or a number of pages inside a brochure or scrapbook.

Associate another file with this record

This link takes you to an add file screen. The record title and media type are inherited.

Select the appropriate display type category (if you select a category that already has a file associated, this upload will replace the original).

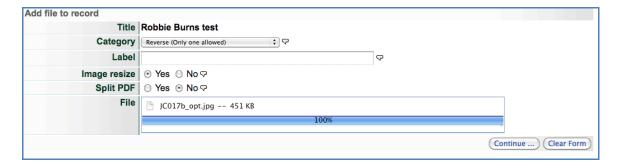


Browse for a file.

Enter a label if applicable.

Allow or disallow Change file size for image files.

Browse and select a file to associate. Once selected, the uploader will start automatically. When the file is 100% uploaded, a "Continue..." button appears.

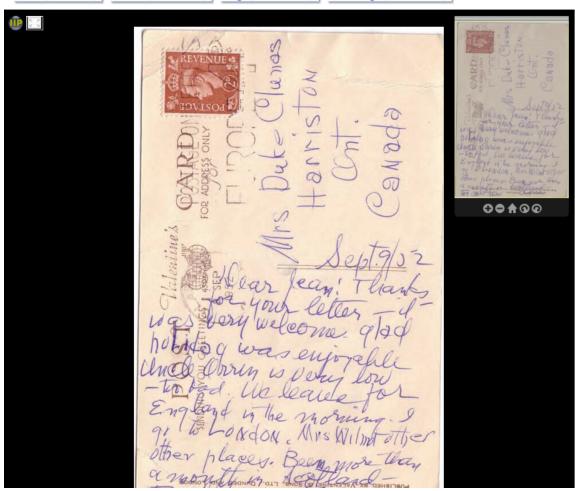


The file summary will include the new file and it's category type.

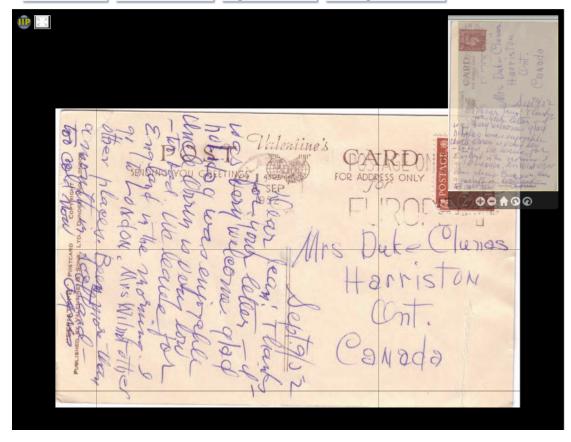


Use JP2 files for reverse and detail images to provide a dynamic pan/zoom option

small (640 x 480) | __default (1000 x 900) | _ large (1600 x 1000) | _ extra large (2400 x 1200) |



small (640 x 480) | default (1000 x 900) | large (1600 x 1000) | extra large (2400 x 1200) |



Associate multiple pages with this record

Use this feature to perform batch uploads for multi-page objects. See the Text Object Management or Newspaper Content Manual for full details on multipart uploads.

Associate OCR/Full text files with this record

Note: This option appears once a file has been uploaded in the "Page" category for this record or multiple files have been associated with the record.

For step-by-step instructions for creating and uploading OCR/Full Text files, see the Text Object Management manual.

4.2.2 Digitization Details

Use the Digitization Details input boxes to record technical information and technician names for administrative purposes. This data does not display publicly.

Operator	
Definition	The person responsible for the digitization of the analog material.
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	No
Repeatable	No

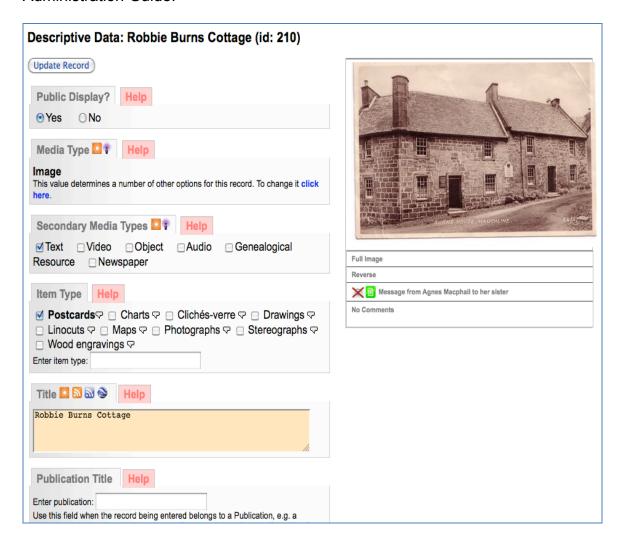
Equipment	
Definition	The equipment (type of scanner, etc.) used to digitize the material
Status	Optional
Publicly	No
Displayed:	
Repeatable	No

Software	
Definition	Software used to digitize the material.
Status	Optional
Publicly	No
Displayed:	
Repeatable	No

4.3 Descriptive data screen

The descriptive data fields provide information about the intellectual content of the original resource. These data elements are the ones most used by the public to identify and locate the digital resources. Be consistent in your practice and provide as full a description as possible.

The icons indicate which metadata fields are necessary for Dublin Core, RSS feeds, Atom feeds, Google Earth and Podcasting applications, respectively. For more information about these features, see the Site Administration Guide.



Descriptive data fields

Status legend for data elements:

o Mandatory

- Essential
- o Recommended
- Optional

4.3.1 Media Type

Definition	A high-level data value depicting the type (genre) of resource represented by the digital object.
Options	Audio, Image, Text, Video, Collection, Object, Genealogical Resource, Newspaper
Status	Mandatory
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 The media type you selected in the entry screen should be displayed here. The media type affects the template screens that are used to enter data, as the templates use different data fields and values depending on the media type selected. If you want to change the media type you selected during the initial entry, change it here. Use "text" to indicate a digital object comprised of scanned text, not image. Terms are Dublin Core Type Vocabulary compliant.

4.3.2 Secondary Media Type

- C 111	
Definition	A high-level data value depicting the subsidiary type
	(genre) of resource represented by the digital object.
Options	Audio, Image, Text, Video, Collection, Object,
•	Genealogical Resource, Newspaper
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Records describing multi-media objects or records fro groups of material need to be browseable from each media type designated for their contents, but the primary media type controls the data entry template for record creation. Use Secondary Media Type to further distinguish the content of the object being described, e.g. a record showing pages of sheet music, that has an associated audio recording of that music, should have the Secondary Media Type "Audio". Terms are Dublin Core Type Vocabulary compliant.

4.3.3 Role—only appears if Primary Media Type is Publication

Definition	For newspaper publication titles that will have issues
	associated with them.
Options	Yes / No
Status	Mandatory for Newspaper Publications
Publicly Displayed:	No
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Must be "Yes" to trigger the calendar interface for
	Newspaper publications

4.3.4 Item Type

- C 111	
Definition	A more specific description of the type of object, for
	example, image as photograph, text as book.
Options	 Displayed options (select list) are associated with the media type assigned during initial upload.
	If choosing another option (not from the list), then type in the first three letters in the blank box, wait a moment for list to appear, then scroll down the list and highlight choice. Once you choose a heading, a number will display. Once you have updated the record, the chosen option will display as a checked option.
Status	Highly recommended
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	Yes
Additional Notes	 Select multiple item types from list configured during agency set-up, or if choosing another option (not from the list), then type in the first three letters in the blank box, wait a moment for list to appear, then scroll down the list and highlight choice. Once you choose a heading, a number will display. Once you have updated the record, the chosen option will display as a checked option. Item types are linked to standard vocabularies. Used for browsing and refining (limiting) search If an item type does not exist in the list, check if it exists in the subject headings list; if so, make a note of the subject heading and ask Our Ontario staff to add it as an item type and to what media type it should be associated.

4.3.5 Title

Definition	A word or short phrase identifying and naming the
	resource
Options	N/A
Status	Mandatory
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Used for search and display functionalities.
	 Transcribe the formal title if applicable

4.3.6 Publication Title

Definition	The name of a publication to which issues,
	articles/clippings or BMDs are associated.
Options	Select from look-up list for Publication titles already
	entered using the Add Publication screen.
Status	Optional / Mandatory for newspaper collections
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 A look-up list of available titles from all agencies is generated after typing three letters into the input box If there is no Title (for the clipping), the object can be identified using publication title, publication place, pagination and date. This is done particularly with short clippings that have no headlines, especially as seen in 19th century newspapers. If the object being described is a book, do not use Publication Title, but rather Title.

4.3.7 Pagination

Definition	Identifies the number of pages associated with the object being described or the page or range of pages within of a serial publication where a text fragment occurs
Options	N/A
Status	Recommended
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Content is displayed at the end of the title of the object Recommended format: n # or nn #_#
	Recommended format: p.# or pp.#-#

4.3.8 Creator Name & Role

D C 111	
Definition	Enter the name of the person, family, or corporate body
	primarily responsible for the creation of the original
Ontions	resource represented by the digital object. Roles - Displayed options (select list) derived from
Options	 Roles - Displayed options (select list) derived from media type chosen during data entry.
	 If choosing another option (not from the list), then type
	in the first three letters in the blank box - by inputting
	first three letters, a standardized list will appear. Scroll
	down the list and highlight choice. Once you choose a
	heading, a number will display. Once you have updated
	the record, the chosen option will display as a checked
	option.
Status	Essential
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	Yes
Additional Notes	 Choose a creator role only if the creator is known.
	Do not use the name of the creator of the digital version
	in this field (include as part of Technical Data).
	 Recommended to use the established form of the name
	as per Library of Congress Name Authority File or
	Canadiana Authorities, or a local name authority file.
	If creating the form of a personal name, use last name,
	first name, middle name or initial. Add birth and death
	dates if known.
	 For the name of a corporate body, enter the full direct form of the name.
	Select non-checklist roles from drop down menu
Examples	Notman, William
Lyampies	Davidson, Peter H., 1854-1921
	Eaton family
	Liquor License Board of Ontario

4.3.9 Additional Contributor Name & Role Additional

Definition	A person or corporate body who contributed in some way
	to the content of the resource, such as an illustrator, editor,
	etc.

Options	 Roles - Displayed options (select list) derived from media type chosen during data entry. If choosing another option (not from the list), then type in the first three letters in the blank box by inputting first three letters, a standardized list will appear. Scroll down the list and highlight choice. Once you choose a heading, a number will display. Once you have updated the record, the chosen option will display as a checked option within the form.
Status	Essential
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	Yes
Additional Notes	 Choose an additional contributor role only if the contributor is known. Do not use this field to document the name of the contributing institution, donor, or the creator of the digital object. Recommended to use the established form of the name as per Library of Congress Name Authority File or Canadiana Authorities, or a local name authority file If creating the form of a personal name, use last name, first name, middle name or initial. Add birth and death dates if known. For the name of a corporate body, enter the full direct form of the name.

4.3.10 Subjects

Definition	Provide subject term(s) regarding the content of the original resource represented by the digital object.
Options	NA
Status	Recommended
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No

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 Subjects can be added three at a time. You need to click on Update Record button before you can assign another set of subject headings. Click on List of assigned subjects to see what subject headings have been used/assigned by other organizations using VITA. Highly recommended / best practice is to select authorized subject terms from the thesaurus provided. The basic set of terms are a subset from the Library of Congress subject headings (Thesaurus of Graphic Materials), which makes the database more compatible with other collections when users do crossdatabase searches. Assign Subject Term from Thesaurus - To search the thesaurus, type in the first three letters in the blank box, wait a moment for list to appear, then scroll down the list and highlight choice. Click enter and the subject heading will be added to the record. Subjects that have been assigned to a record will appear under the "Subjects" label preceded by a
thesaurus, then either: A preferred term will appear instead. Example: "Chopping wood" use "Woodcutting" – if you enter "Chopping Wood", then "Woodcutting is automatically assigned as the preferred term. OR
Add New Subject Term (Not in Thesaurus) - After
entering the term here, use the "Assign Subject Term"
box to actually assign it to a record.
If you must add a new subject heading, please note
the term must have an initial capital and be in plural
form where appropriate.
 After adding a new subject heading, it will appear
flagged as "unauthorized" in the data management view, not publicly.

4.3.11 Personal Names

Definition	Personal names that describe people or occur as part of the intellectual content of the object
Options	 Multiple names in one space separated by semi-colons
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes

Additional Notes - Enter names in natural or reverse order	Repeatable
 Additional Notes Separate names in natural or reverse order Separate names with semicolons Names will appear as links on public display and bring together all instances of records with that personal name associated 	Additional Notes

4.3.12 Corporate Names

Definition	Corporate names that describe corporate groups that appear or occur in the intellectual content of the object
Options	 Multiple corporate names in one space separated by semi-colons
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	Yes
Additional Notes	 Enter corporate names in natural order e.g. Smith & Wesson or McCormack & Sons, Co. Ltd. Separate corporate names with semicolons Names will appear as links on public display and bring together all instances of records with that corporate name associated

4.3.13 Description

Definition	Provide a description of the original resource represented by the digital object - include the key terms of the subjects and topics represented.
Option	NA
Status	Recommended
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Consider an extensive description, use terms and subjects that you don't intend to assign as formal subject headings, but that a user might use to find this record. This field is included as part of the general search indexes. Highly recommended field, as it is a mandated field for RSS feed. In describing a company's association with an object be careful to avoid initials and abbreviations. Thus "the Grand Trunk Railway bridge" is more effectively searched for than "the GTR bridge" or "the G. T. R.

 bridge" or "the G.T.R. bridge". Simple HTML tags such as and to provide onscreen formatting works, but is not recommended for
future repurposing.

4.3.14 Notes

Definition	Provide any contextual history useful in identifying and/or
	describing the resource.
Option	NA
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Use this field to supply any other information about the original resource represented by the digital object, such as evidence used to date the image, i.e. before 1917 because the hotel burned down on 1 January 1917. Data in this field is included in the general search

4.3.15 Inscription

Definition	Document any printed information on the image.
Options	NA
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	Recommended best practice: inscriptions on the reverse side of the image be preceded by "Reverse".

4.3.16 Transcription

Definition	Used to provide a transcription of an audio or video file.
Options	NA
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Generally only used when describing an audio or video file. Option will only display if audio or video was chosen as media type. This is a searchable field.

4.3.17 Language(s) in item

Definition	Language associated with the original resource
	represented by the digital object.

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Options	 More than one language is acceptable. Inputting first three letters and select from list of language codes. Choose appropriate language(s).
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	Yes
Additional Notes	 Choose from the standard ISO list provided (WC3 set).
	Can choose more than one language in item.
	Facilitates faceted search functionality.

4.3.18 Mystery Question

Definition	Any query about the digital object that you would like users to contribute information on.
Options	NA
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Information from the community is gathered through the use of the comment feature. The person who submits the comment has to agree to make the comment public, and the Contributing Partner reviews the comment and gives permission for its publicly display

4.3.19 Overall Dimensions

Definition	Provide width and height of the overall dimensions of the object, including any matting or mounted borders.
Options	Centimetres (cm) or Inches (in) or Pixels (if original is a digital photo) or Not Applicable (na)
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Recommended to use metric measurement. Enter the dimensions using metric measures to a single decimal place. Set the unit of measurement with the radio button. If the original image was a digital photograph, then select "pixels". Only enter a numeric value within the Width and Height text boxes (e.g. 7.5) This measure is for the overall item. Use Image Dimensions to enter the size of the image itself, if it is significantly smaller than the overall mount or matte + frame.

4.3.20 Image Dimensions

Definition	Provide width and height of the dimensions of the original image without matting or mounted borders.
Options	Displayed options (select list) derived from media type chosen during data entry.
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Recommended to use metric measurement. Enter the dimensions using metric measures to a single decimal place. Using the same unit of measurement as the Overall Dimensions, enter a numeric value within the Width and Height text boxes (e.g. 7.5) This measure is for the image itself. Use Overall Dimensions to enter the size of the mount or matte + frame.

4.3.21 Scale

Definition	Scale of map or drawing.
Options	Displayed options derived from media type chosen during
	data entry.
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	Generally only used when describing maps.

4.3.22 Projection

Definition	Projection of map or drawing.
Options	Displayed options derived from media type chosen during data entry.
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	Generally only used when describing maps.

4.3.23 Time Playing (for audio and video files)

Definition	Length of recording.
Options	Displayed options derived from media type chosen during
	data entry.
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Generally only used when describing an audio or video file. Option will only display if audio or video was chosen as
	media type.

4.3.24 Publisher

Definition	Name of the person or corporate body responsible for publishing the original resource.
Options	NA
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Recommended to use the established form of the name as per Library of Congress Name Authority File or Canadiana Authorities, or a local name authority file. DO NOT use this field to document the owning institution (contributing partner).

4.3.25 Place of Publication

Definition	Place of publication.
Options	NA
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No

4.3.26 Dates

Sortable Date of Publication

Definition	A sortable date, used for ordering multiple objects.
Options	Recommended
Status	N/A
Publicly Displayed:	No
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Must be entered in the form: 20090224 (YYYYMMDD) If the date is unavailable the year/month can be entered in the form: 200902 (YYYYMM) If only the year is available, enter in the form: 2009 (YYYY) If a publication is seasonal or quarterly, enter in the month form using the first month of the season or quarter If there is no Date of Original, the Date of Publication will be transformed into the appropriate pattern for public display: 24 Feb 2009 or Feb 2009 or 2009

Date of Original

Definition	A single date or inclusive dates that indicates when the original resource represented by the digital object was created.
Options	Essential
Status	NA
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 It is highly recommended that a date be supplied. Date may be a single date, a date range, a broken date range, approximate, uncertain, or undated. Refer to the appropriate content standard for information on how to record dates.
Examples	■ 1960-1971 ■ [ca. 1880]-1954

Date of Event Depicted

Date of Event Depicted	
Definition	Record the date of the event being depicted by the original
	resource.
Option	NA
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Date may be a single date, a date range, a broken date range, approximate, uncertain, or undated. Refer to the appropriate content standard for information on how to record dates.

Earliest Year/Latest Year

Definition	 A four digit year – first possible date that indicates when the original resource represented by the digital object was created. A four digit year – last possible date that indicates when the original resource represented by the digital object was created.
Options	NA
Status	Mandatory
Publicly Displayed:	No
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Not for public display, but to facilitate date searching. It is mandatory that a date be supplied; otherwise we cannot have date search on the item. If a fixed known date, then enter the same date in both date search begin and date search end fields.

4.3.27 Full Text (for Text objects)

Definition	Full text entered here represents the text content of objects with media type Text and makes content available for display on the public view pages.
Options	N/A
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Insert paragraph breaks using two returns (Enter + Enter) Use basic HTML coding to format text content (e.g. , , , , <i>, , , , ,) Note: Using HTML anywhere in the text block will override any double-return paragraph insertions </i>

4.4 Geographic data screen

The following screen is for providing geo-location information about the digital object. Assigning locations to your records is required in order to activate the Google Maps feature on the record.

General vs. Specific locations:

Make sure the location(s) you assign are the right one for your object (i.e. distinguish between area, populated place, hospital, etc.). Click update and the Google map will centre on that location.

To move the marker, simply click on it and drag it to the new location, it will become the centre point of the map display.

Remember: moving the pin does not assign a new place name

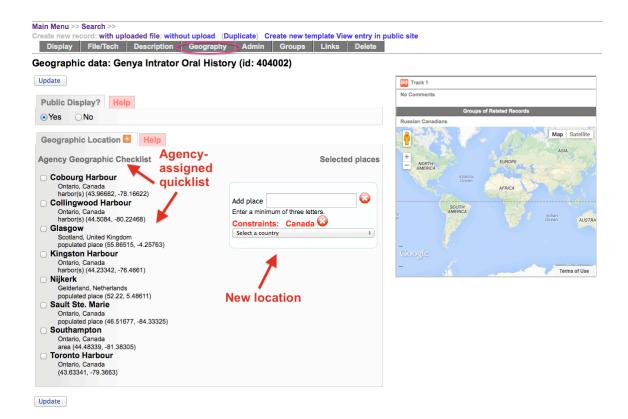


Zoom levels can be adjusted either using the interactive Google map or by entering a new number into the Zoom level input box.

To delete a location associated with the record, either clear the contents of the latitude and longitude input boxes or click on the n/a option in the quicklist and Update Record.

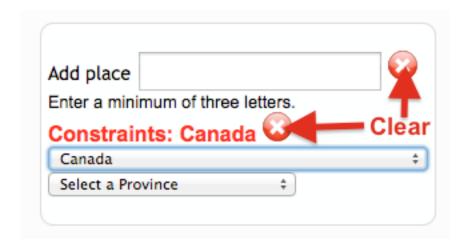
Selecting Locations

On the Geography tab, you'll see your agency-assigned quicklist on the left. The new look-up field is in a floating box that appears on the right and will move as we start assigning locations.



Note the Constraints (also assigned in Agency Management) can still be national or, for US and Canada, by State or Province.

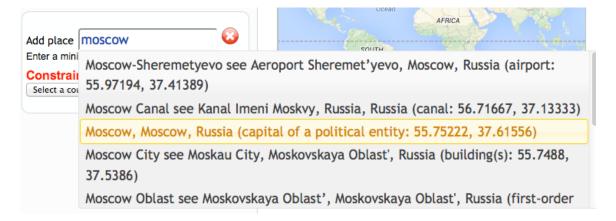
To clear the constraints or the drop down menu (when there are too many options, for example), click the Red X



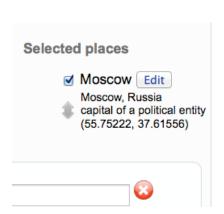
Assign a new temporary constraint by selecting a new country



Then, start typing the location name into the open field and select the appropriate one from the drop-down menu

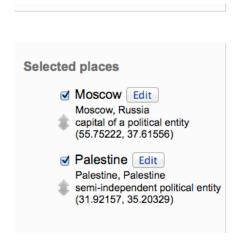


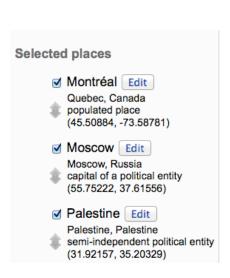
By clicking you commit that choice as a Selected Place on the right side of the panel. This is only committed locally, e.g. to this screen.

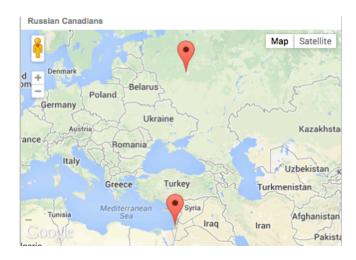




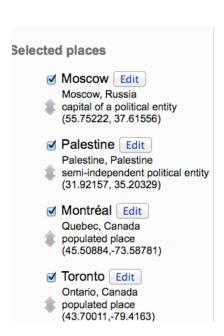
Now, let's add a few other locations mentioned in this oral history:













You'll see that

- A. The map adjusts zoom level to accommodate each new location and
- B. The locations are automatically listed in the order added until you Update the record

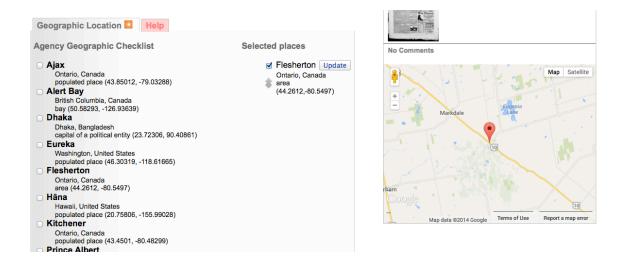
Select location from Quicklist (totally different record so you see how it works...)

If you already have a desired location in your quicklist, the workflow will look like this:



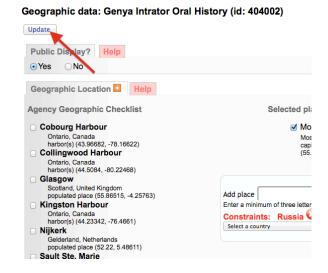


Select the location and it will automatically appear on the right side of the panel and remain unchecked in your quicklist:



Continue to add locations from the quicklist or the look up to build your geolocation storyline.

NOTE: You **must** click the main Update button to make these Selected Places commit to the VITA index. You can do this after assigning all your locations, though, so don't worry about doing it every time!

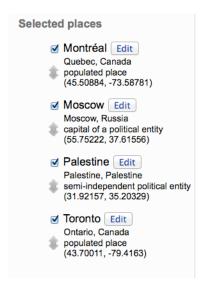


Ta da! This is how the oral history record looks in the public record:

Genya Intrator Oral History Comment on this item Track 1 ♠) Download from podcast feed Description Commments (0) **Groups of Related Records** Track 1: Russian Canadians 1 00:00 00:00 Transcription: TAPE ONE, SIDE A Mrs. Intrator's immigration from the USSR to Palestine and her life in Israel until 1950 Anna Mostovoy: Interview with Genya Intrator, National Vice-Chairman of the Canadian Committee of [for]Soviet Jewry; immigrant from the USSR [Union of Soviet Socialist Republics]. Genya, would you please tell me about yourself first, Google and your immigration from the USSR? Intrator, Genya, Interviewee

But wait there's more...

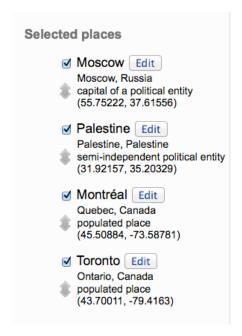
Locations added are automatically ordered alphabetically.



To present them to match a timeline sequence, you'll need to reorder them.

Ordering Locations

Simply click and drag the locations to the order you want using the elevator buttons. This is the order I want because that is the order of appearance in the oral history...

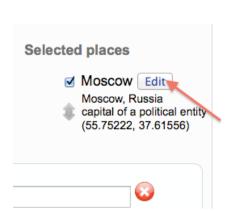


Then Click Update again to commit your changes.

Edit Locations & Add Labels

To give some context to the locations, we can Edit the Location

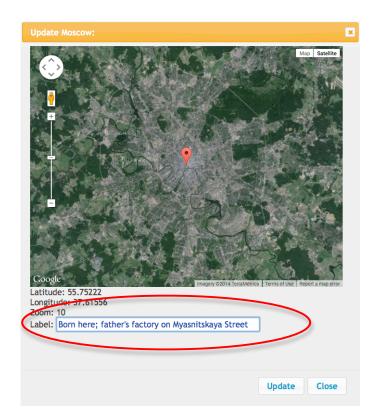
Click the "Edit" button to pop up a window about the location in question...





On this screen:

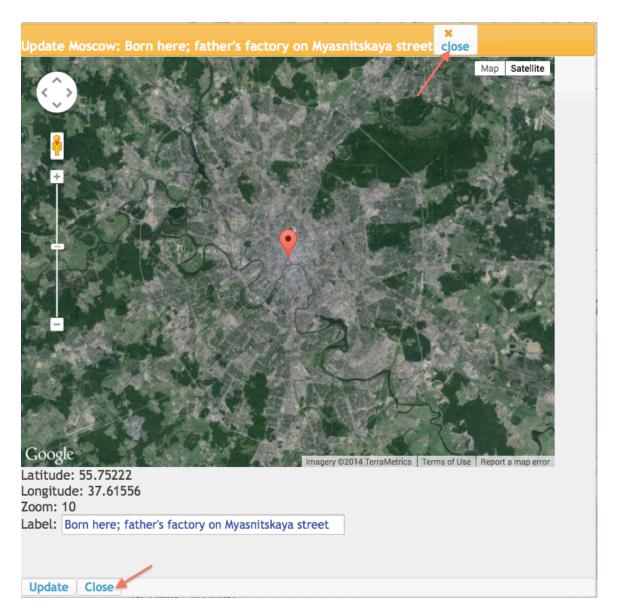
- Click and drag the pointer to the exact location you need
- Use zoom to establish zoom levels (only applies for individual locations per record)
- Add a label to provide context or indicate why the location is significant
- Labels can be up to 50 characters long



Click Update to commit those changes and you'll get a confirmation message...



Then Close the pop-up window.



And your label will appear associated with the location. In the Geography screen, it looks like this:



On the display side, though, the label is prioritized to help tell the story:

Geographic Coverage:

PBorn here; father's factory on Myasnitskaya street:

Moscow

Moscow, Russia

Latitude: 55.75222 Longitude: 37.61556

Palestine

Palestine, Palestine

Latitude: 31.92157 Longitude: 35.20329

₱ Montréal

Quebec, Canada

Latitude: 45.50884 Longitude: -73.58781

₹ Toronto

Ontario, Canada

Latitude: 43.70011 Longitude: -79.4163

Add point from an unnamed location

If you know the latitude and longitude or GPS coordinates for a location, but not the place name rest assured: we will build in the option to add a location using those coordinates soon. Meanwhile, you can use your coordinates in online search engines help identify the location to add to VITA. Once you have a place name, use the drag feature in Edit location to pin point your exact coordinates.

Have an historic or alternate place to add to the gazetteer? Get an account with http://www.geonames.org/ and use their handy user guides to add and edit as well as accessing sophisticated search options.

4.4.1 Geographic Location

Definition	The geographic location(s) represented in/by the original
	resource.
Options	A quick list of geographic options can be chosen during agency
	set-up.
Status	Optional, but mandatory if using the Google Map feature
Publicly	Yes
Displayed:	
Repeatable	Yes

Additional	 Quick list is a chosen subset from the GeoNames
Notes	geographical database (but all terms are available).
	By inputting the first three letters, a standardized list of all
	matches will appear.
	 Note that end users can both search by geographic coverage
	and also refine search results by geographic coverage.

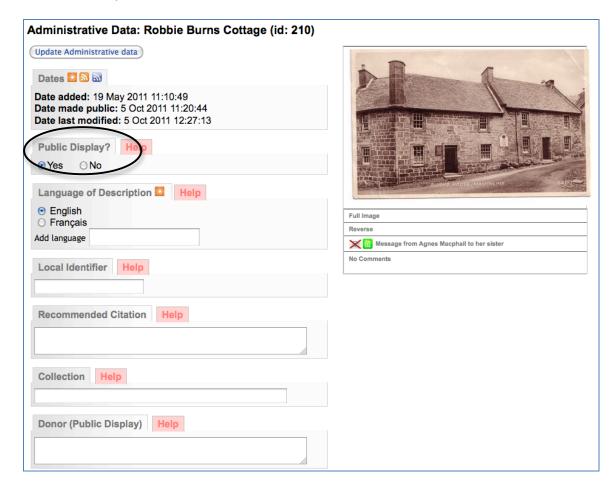
4.4.2 Latitude and Longitude

Definition	 After you select a geographic coverage option, manipulate the Google Map by clicking on and dragging the marker to a specific location, at which point Latitude and Longitude values are automatically selected. Use the Zoom Level input box to fix the perspective of the map for display.
Options	NA
Status	Optional, but mandatory if using the Google Map feature
Publicly	Yes
Displayed:	
Repeatable	No
Additional	 Can manipulate and zoom in on Google Map - values in
Notes	latitude and longitude will automatically change. Drag the
	blue box around, and double click to centre it.
	 Once latitude and longitude values are selected, then a
	Google Map will display in the public interface.
	Note that end users can both search by geographic coverage and also refine search results by geographic coverage.

4.5 Administrative data screen

The following data fields provide information essential in managing the digital resources. Many of these fields do not publicly display.

The Public Display field is common to multiple screens in VITA but affects the display of the record not specific screen content. Select Yes or No and update the record to make the record public or non-public according to your workflow and editorial procedures.



4.5.1 Dates

Definition	Timestamps associated with the creation of the digital record in VITA Date when the record was created. Date when the record was made public. Date when record was last modified.
Options	NA
Status	Mandatory – automatically generated.
Publicly Displayed:	No
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	Dates and Times are automatically generated.

4.5.2 Language of Description

Definition	Language of the description (record).
Options	Only one language is acceptable.
	Input first three letters and select from list of language
	codes.
	Choose appropriate language(s).
Status	Mandatory
Publicly Displayed:	No
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	English is the default for this field.
	If you do not choose any option, the template generator will select English.
	 Data is used for searching purposes only.

4.5.3 Local Identifier

Definition	Provide any unique reference or control number, used within the context of your institution to manage/administrate, if available.
Options	NA
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	May be useful if researchers want to view the original (if it is in the custody of your organization.)

4.5.4 Recommended Citation

Definition	Statement on how to cite the digital resource.
Options	A standard citation style should be chosen during agency
	set-up and applied for all records in a collection.
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No

4.5.5 Collection

Definition	A group or "collection" which is associated with this
	resource.
Options	NA
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No

4.5.6 Donor (Public Display)

Definition	Information about the donor of the resource.
Options	NA
Status	Essential
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	Use only if the donor has agreed to make his/her name
	public.

4.5.7 Donor (Private Display)

Definition	Information about the donor of the resource.
Options	NA
Status	Essential
Publicly Displayed:	No
Repeatable	No

4.5.8 Custodial history

Definition	Record the custodial history/provenance of the digital object. Provide information on any successive transfers of ownership, custody, or control of the resource.
Options	NA
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	Do not record the donor information here.

4.5.9 Location of Original

Definition	Location of the original resource depicted by the digital object.
Option	NA
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No

4.5.10 Reproduction Notes

Definition	Use this field for notes useful for reproductions, for example numbers or location of copy negatives, etc.
Options	NA
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	Do not use for terms governing use of the material.

4.6 Permissions

4.6.1 Creative Commons License

Definition	Assign Creative Commons to indicate to users how they can share, remix, or use any objects from the collection in ways that are consistent with the copyright status assigned to the object.
Options	 Attribution only Attribution-No Derivatives Attribution-Non Commercial-No Derivatives Attribution-Non Commercial Attribution-Non Commercial-Share Alike Attribution-Share Alike Dedicated to or certified to be in the public domain None = All rights reserved
Status	Recommended
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	In VITA Creative Commons Licenses will only be assigned to objects uploaded after a default is assigned by the site admin or if a license is manually selected on the Administrative Data screen in data management for each object. To have your collection objects sortable by Creative Commons License, each object must have a license associated with it manually.

5.6.2 Terms of Use

Definition	Record any restrictions on the use and reproduction of the material. List any information relating to, literary rights, patent rights or donor terms that may restrict use or reproduction.
Options	NA
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No

5.6.3 Copyright Status

Change your Copyright status statements in Agency Management> Creative Commons/Copyright Statements.

Definition	Copyright status of the resource.
Options	Public domain
	Copyrighted

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	<u> </u>
	■ Licensed
	Contractual
	Unknown
	Leave as Default
Status	Mandatory
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Default text is associated with the copyright terms: Public domain: Copyright has expired according to Canadian law. No restrictions on use. Copyrighted: Uses other than research or private study require the permission of the rightsholder(s). Responsibility for obtaining permissions and for any use rests exclusively with the user. Licensed: Uses are subject to the terms of a licence. Contact the repository for further information. Responsibility for any use rests exclusively with the user. Contractual: Uses are subject to the terms of a contract. Contact the repository for further information. Responsibility for any use rests exclusively with the user. Unknown: Copyright status unknown. Responsibility for determining the copyright status and any use rests exclusively with the user. Leave as Default: Copyright status unknown. Responsibility for determining the copyright status and any use rests exclusively with the user. Terms are derived from METS

5.6.4 Copyright Date

Definition	Date of copyright, most often used with printed material.
Options	NA
Status	Recommended
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 Must provide a four digit numeric date.
	Do not put the copyright symbol as part of the date.

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5.6.5 Copyright Holder

Definition	Name of the person or corporate body having copyright of the original resource represented by the digital object.
Options	NA
Status	Essential
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	No
Additional Notes	 If creating the form of a personal name, use last name, first name, middle name or initial. Add birth and death dates if known. For the name of a corporate body, enter the full direct form of the name

5.6.6 Copyright Holder Contact Information

Definition	Address and other contact information of the person or corporate body holding copyright.
Options	NA
Status	Optional
Publicly Displayed:	No
Repeatable	No

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4.7 Group Management screen

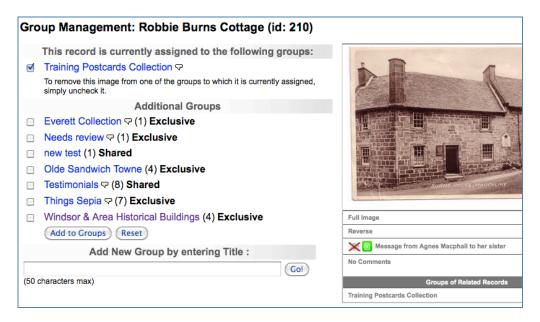
One of the features of VITA is the ability to create "groups" of records.

The Groups screen allows you to manage your records within the Groups context.

Use the checklist function to add your records to a group and/or to deselect your record from a group.

Use the Add New Group input box as a shortcut to create a new group (a feature that is also linked from the Main Menu: Manage Groups).

See Part 5 of this manual for more information about managing and displaying Groups.



4.8 Links Management screen

This module allows you to create links to other web pages that are in some way associated with the digital file you are describing, and will appear as part of the publicly displayed record.

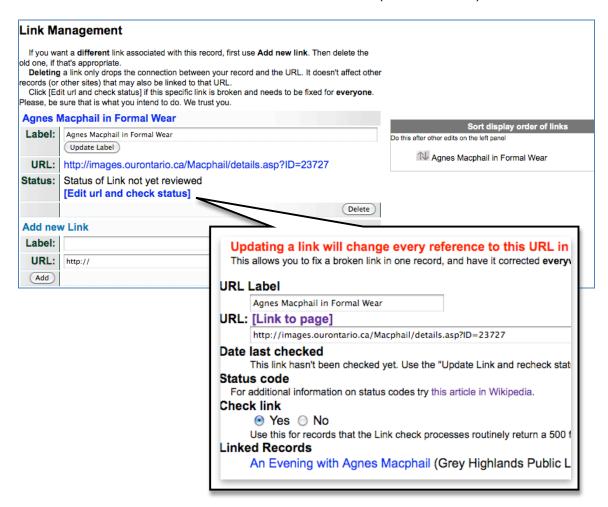
You may enter as many links as necessary.

Remember:

Updating a link—will change every reference to this URL in VITA (yes, we do mean every one). This allows you to fix a broken link in one record, and have it corrected everywhere. This is a design feature.

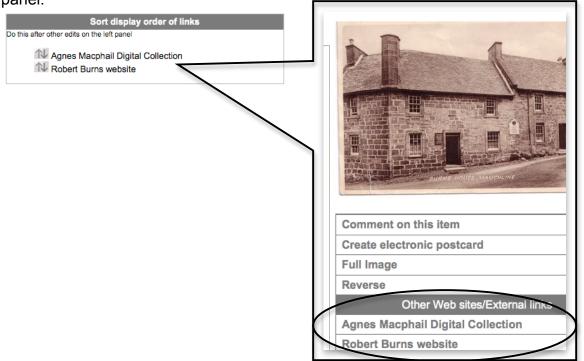
Add new link—Use to add a link to record or if you want a different link associated with this record add it here then delete the old one, if that's appropriate.

Deleting a link—Deleting a link here only drops the connection between your record and the URL. It doesn't affect other records (or other sites).



Sorting Links

Reorder the links for public display by using the elevator buttons in the right panel.



4.8.1 URL

Definition	A URL (Uniform Resource Locator) address
Options	NA
Status	Mandatory for adding links
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	Yes

4.8.2 URL Label

Definition	A textual description of the site for which you have provided a URL
Options	NA
Status	Mandatory if a URL is added
Publicly Displayed:	Yes
Repeatable	Yes

4.8.3 Edit URL & Check Link Status

Go to the Edit URL & Check Link status screen to fix broken links or manage link throughout VITA.

URL Label & URL: Any changes made on this screen to the URL Label or URL will affect all other instances of the link in VITA.

Date last checked: This is a log of the last link check that was made.

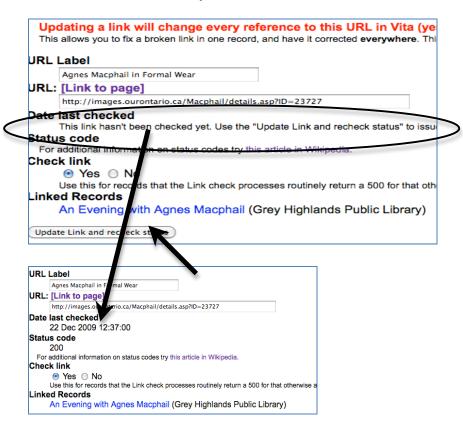
Status Code: If a code appears here other than 200, the link is considered compromised and will be listed as needing to be checked in the Action Items on the main menu. For more information about the status codes, follow the link to the Wikipedia article that details status codes: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List of HTTP status codes.

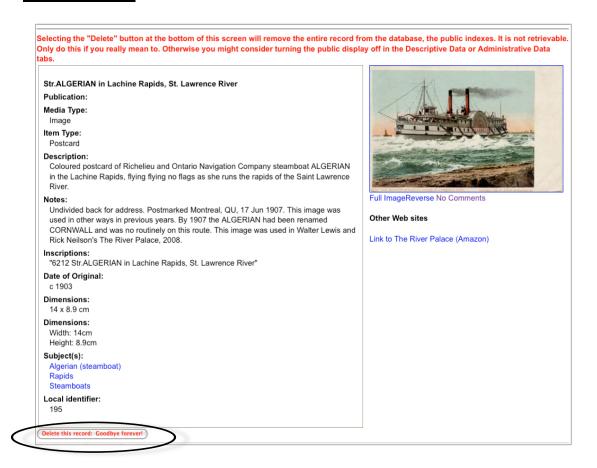
Check Link: Keep this set at the default "yes" in order to check the links

automatically

Linked records: A list of records that share this link, each title is linked to the record itself.

Update & Check Link Status: Click the update button to check the link after editing or to make a manual check at any time. The Date last checked and status code will refresh with any new information.





Select the "Delete this record: Goodbye forever!" button at the bottom of the screen. *Deleting the record will remove it from both the database and the public indexes.* It is not retrievable and the data will be erased.

If you want to remove the record from publicly display but wish to keep the record for data management purpose, simply turn the public display off in the Descriptive, Geographic or Administrative Data screens.

Note: You cannot delete a record if there are comments associated with this record. You can only recall the record and designate it not for public display.

Level One Users cannot delete records. If a user has a Level 1 security status, they will see the following message: "In their wisdom, the folks who set up your account didn't give you enough privileges to actually make a record, however flawed, go away permanently. You might ask them to upgrade your privileges. Alternatively, turn the public display off in the Descriptive, Geographic or Administrative Data tabs."

Delete Record Part 4.9

4.10 Duplicating a record

If you are going to create a record or series of records that have similar data elements, you may want to use the "Duplicate Record" feature to create a copy of the metadata record that you can then edit.

Main Menu >> Search >> Results

Create rew record: with uploaded file; without upload (Duplicate) View entry in public site

- Search and retrieve the record that you want to copy
- Click on "Duplicate" link in the main menu bar. Once you click on the Duplicate record feature, you will have created a copy of the record that you can edit and start associating digital files
- Note: Not all fields will be duplicated and no files will be associated
- To add a digital object (image, text, video, audio, pages, etc) to the metadata record you are creating, go to the File/Technical Data screen.
 - o Click on "Associate files with this record"
 - o Browse your computer for the digital file.
 - o Choose the appropriate Category and Label options.
 - Click on upload to associate the digital object file with the duplicate record.
 - Edit the record within the template forms to describe the uploaded digital object file.

A Plus Plan feature that builds on the duplicate function is "Templates". See Plus Plan manual for more information.

One of the features of VITA is the ability to create "groups" of records.

- Groups are "owned" by the agency who creates them.
- Groups can be created on any topic that you think is relevant i.e. Churches in the Niagara Region, Train Stations with Unique Architecture, My Favorite Pictures, etc.
- Groups and their content can be easily created, edited, and deleted by the owner agency.
- Records can be assigned to one or more groups at the same time.
- Groups can be publicly displayed or kept non-public and used for internal management purposes.
- Groups can be shared (open to any agency to add) or exclusive (only your agency has access and can manage).
- Groups can be added to other Groups
- Groups can be "closed" to stop any new items being added.

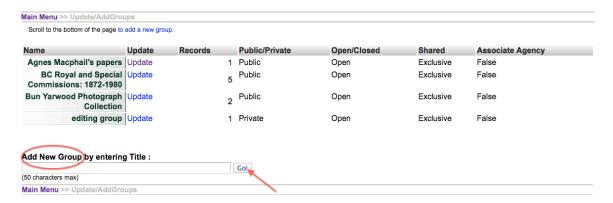
Manage Records Add Record: · and upload file · without a file • as a Birth, Marriage or Death (BMD) e Search or Update Record · Prooflist [last added first, from the inde • Top 100 Records [aka: the last 100 rec databasel Record id: go Add/Edit Publication Add/Edit Issue Add Batch/Edit Templates Manage Comments/Testimonials List All Comments Unreviewed Testimonials: for this agency All Testimonials (and Search/Filter): for th Manage Groups Add or Update Record Group Manage Exhibits **Add or Update Exhibit** Manage Application

5.1 Creating a group

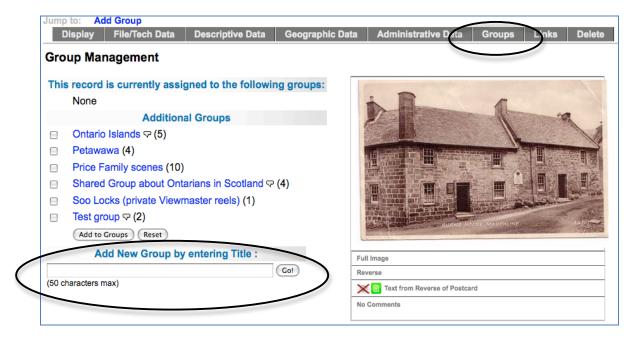
There are two ways to add a new group.

One way is from the Main Menu; the other is from within the Group tab during record management.

To add a group from the Main Menu, click on Add or Update Group under the Manage Groups section. You will be presented with the Update/Add Groups screen.



To add a group from within a record, go to the Groups tab.

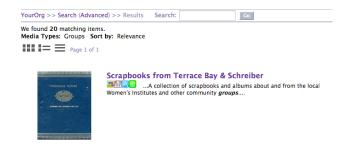


In either case:

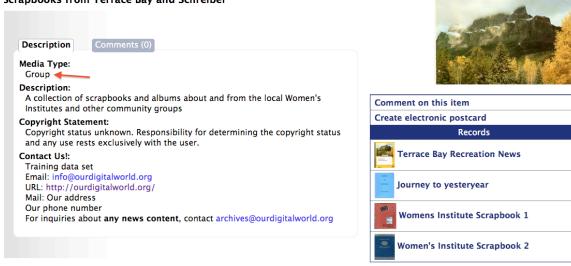
- Scroll to the bottom of the page.
- Enter the title of group you are creating
- Click on the Go button

Full Record

Adding a Full record for your Group is a **new feature**. This is a searchable record and displays like other VITA records i.e. in results and as a Details screen.



Scrapbooks from Terrace Bay and Schreiber



A few notes about how to use the Full record:

There is a lot of value in adding a full record about the Group **as a unique**, **curated item** using the VITA templates. Keep in mind, though, that each record you've included in the group already has a description, so re-describing every object here might not be the best use of your time.

The full record uses the standard VITA templates where you can add or modify:

- a thumbnail + regular file (for results and details screens)
- Group description (for full-text search and results displays)
- geographic location(s) (used for faceted searching)
- inclusion in other Groups (for navigation, display, and discovery)
- administrative data (for internal purposes)
- adding links to other, related material
- settings like public/non-public and deleting the Group

Note: the Friendly Reminders include a reminder when there are zero items in a group.

Note: a Group can be added to other Groups (See Groups & Subgroups)



5 a. File/Tech

Group records display like any other item record in VITA, so choose an image for the **thumbnail** and **regular** display category to represent your Group in results sets and the Details screen. In results, a generic thumbnail is assigned if none is associated with the record.

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In the details screen, no image appears unless a regular display file is assigned to the record:



Group Management

5 b. Description

Public Display - Select **Yes** and this group will appear on the details screen for each of the records assigned to the group in both the public and data management displays.



As well, the group will be listed in the Advanced Search screen Groups Panel.



Select **No** and the group will only be available internally for data management purposes and the group will only appear in the data management details screen of the record. The group will only be listed in the Data Management Advanced Search screen Groups panel.

The **Primary Media type** is **fixed** at "Group" to enable certain functionality and discovery, e.g. as a search facet on results and in advanced search screens:



You can add multiple media and item types.

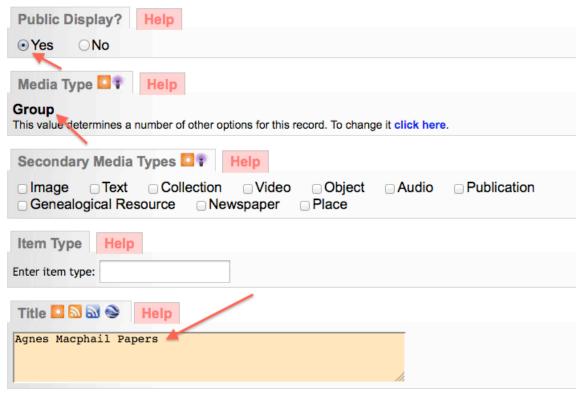
The Title is carried forward from the Add/Update screen.

The other fields are open for you to add additional information and custom content.

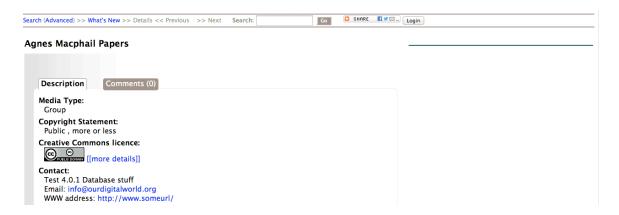
Note: what you are describing is the Group and it's contents, for example:

- there may not be one single Item type
- the Creator might be the name of the person who compiled the Group, not creator of the individual items
- there might be a Date Range in the Date of Events Depicted
- Subjects, Personal Names, geographic locations, etc may all include multiple entries—or none!

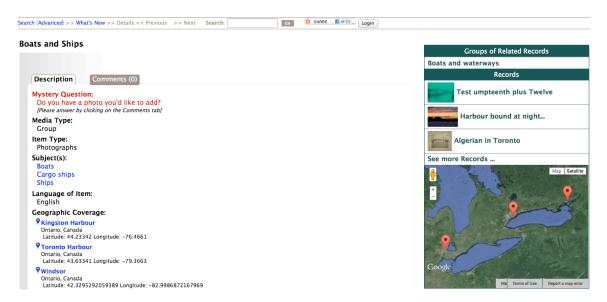
Your items should have fulsome records unto themselves. It's up to you how much summary detail you want to include in the record.



Here's a bare-bones Group record in public display that does not add any searchable content to the index (remember, it has NO items at this point):



Compared to a more complete group record (with Items) which adds many access points for search and discovery:



For more details on adding metadata to Records see the general Data Management manual. Keep in mind that you are describing a collection of things brought together for some reason, and that is what is of interest the public!

5 c. Geography

Add one or more geolocations to inform the geo-search options on your results screens.

5 d. Admin

A very brief template wherein the group record language, CC license, copyright status and copyright holder information can be captured.

5 e. Groups

Like any record, you can add a group to another Group. See Groups & Subgroups below.

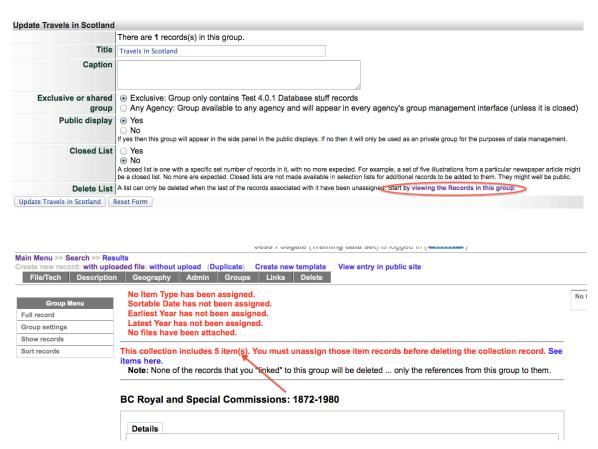
5 f. Links

Use this screen to add URLs and labels for linking the group record to other online resources.

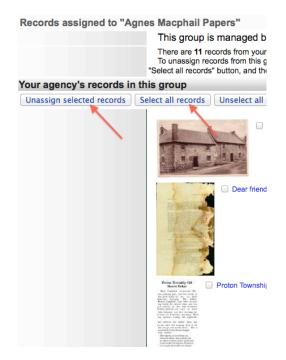
Delete group

First: Are you sure? You can always make the Group non-public instead **Second:** Don't worry: You cannot delete a Group until you have unassigned all the items within that group.

The Delete option on both Group Settings and Full Record screens will redirect you to unassign the contents first.



Click on the "See items here" link to get to the review screen > Select all> Unassign selected records



Once you unassign the items from the group, you'll receive a confirmation and redirect to the Group Settings screen:

Records assigned to "Travels in Scotland"

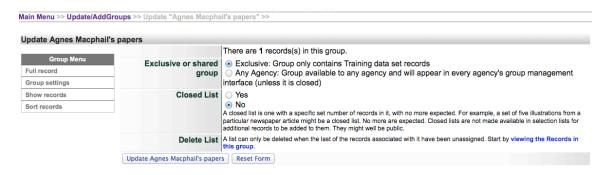
This group is managed by Test 4.0.1 Database stuff.

Your agency currently has no records assigned to this group.
There appear to be no records assigned to this group. You should be able to delete it at Update "Travels in Scotland".

On the Group Settings or Group Record screen, the Delete button will appear



Group Settings

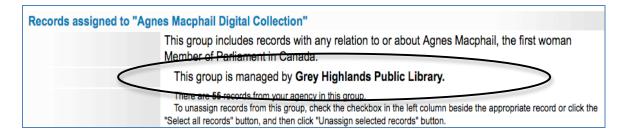


Exclusive or Shared Groups



Exclusive groups can only be edited and have records added and managed by your agency. Public groups will display on the public side anywhere they are linked or found in groups listings, but only your groups will appear in your agency's data management lists.

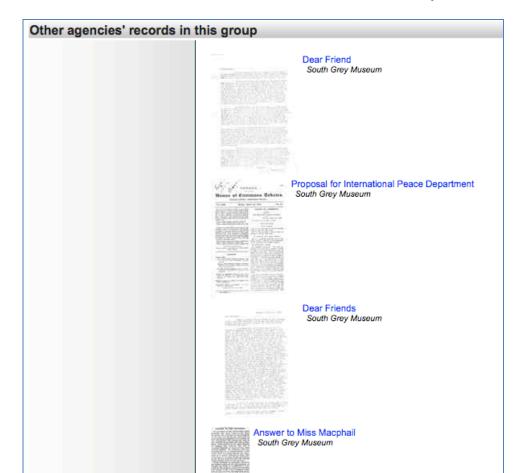
Shared groups are "owned" by the agency that adds the group. At this point, the owner **cannot** choose which organizations to share records with; it is open to everyone using VITA. Contributing agencies can only manage their own records, however, so there is no fear that sharing records in a group will open your records to non-owner tampering.



Records can be added to the group by all other agencies using VITA, but all contributors can **only** delete and manage their own records. The group itself cannot be deleted by any agency other than the "owner" and only after all records have been removed from the group.

Contributor record management in View Records screen allows select/unselect and un-assign options:





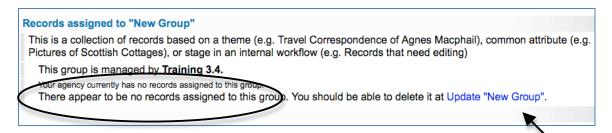
"Other" Contributor records in View Records screen are view-only:

Closed List - A closed list is one with a specific set number of records in it, with no more expected. For example, a set of five illustrations from a particular newspaper article might be a closed list. No more are expected. Closed lists are not made available in selection lists for additional records to be added to them. They can be public or non-public.

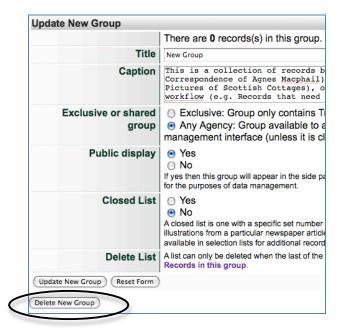
Delete Group – A Group can only be deleted by the "owner" agency and only when all the records associated with it have been unassigned. Start by clicking the link to View the Records in this Group and then select all records and unassign selected records. (see also Full record > delete above)



You will see a confirmation screen.



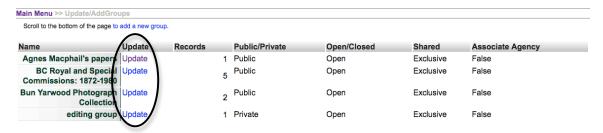
Click on the "Update group" link and now a "Delete Group" button will appear.



5.2 Updating/editing a group

In the main menu, click on Add or Update Record Group in the Manage Groups section. You will be presented with the Update/Add Groups screen and a list of groups created by your agency.

To update the values for the group:

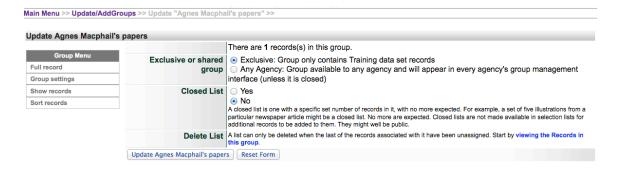


- Click Update
- The Update link will take you to the Group Full record screen
- Edit the values for the group
- Click the "Update" button

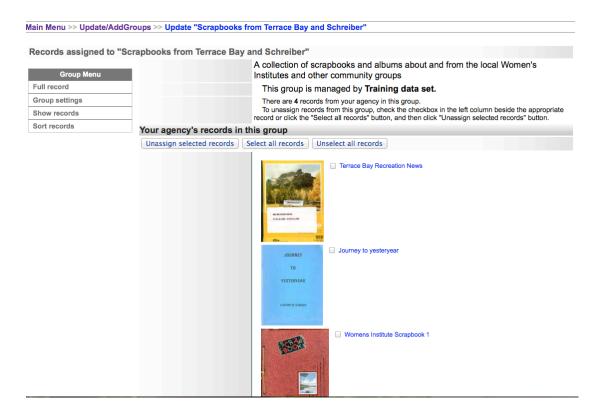
To review the records in the group:

See all items in a Group by going to...

1) Full record> Show records



From here, you can review and manage Group contents ...

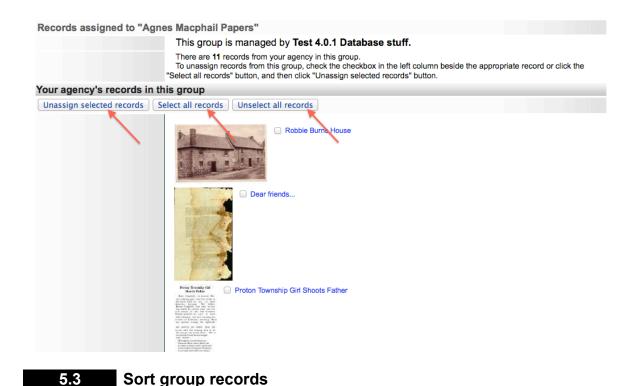


Use the checkboxes and buttons to select and/or unassign records from the Group.

To **un-assign** records from this group, use the checkboxes or select un-select buttons then click "unassign selected records". This will **only** remove the records **from the group**: it will not affect the records themselves. **Unassigning items from a Group**

On the review screen, you can

- a) see what's in your group
- b) deselect or "unassign" one or more items from the Group using the checkboxes and labeled buttons at the top and bottom of the screen

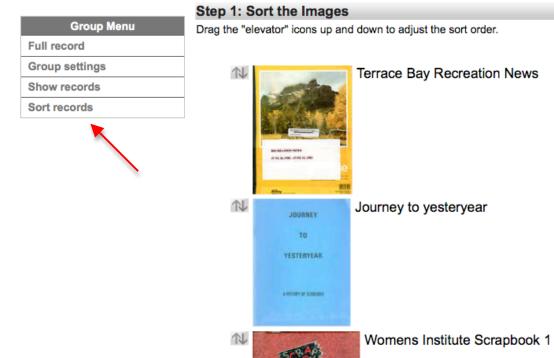


The Sort Group option is only available for groups with less than 100 records.

You might want the items of a group to appear in a specific order, particularly those that would be the first 3 of a large group, or 10 of a smaller group since they appear with the group record. You can order every item in the group to customize their display in the gallery. This **fixes** their display order, however, so end users cannot re-sort those objects using other criteria.

Scrapbooks from Terrace Bay and Schreiber

A collection of scrapbooks and albums about and from the local Women's Institutes and other community groups

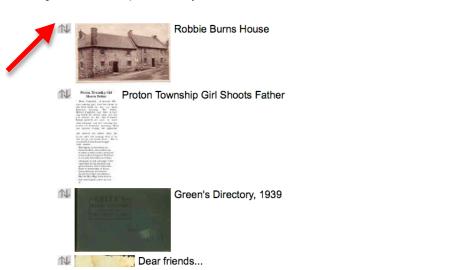


For groups with **<20 items**, you can drag and drop to reorder them using the elevator buttons

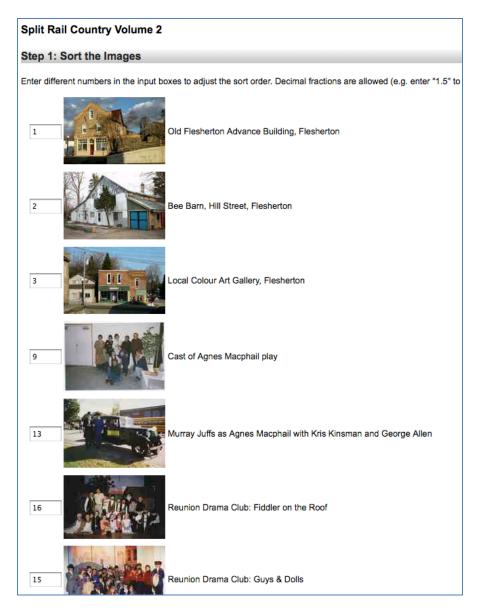
Agnes Macphail Papers

Step 1: Sort the Images

Drag the "elevator" icons up and down to adjust the sort order.



For larger groups, you'll need to use numeric text boxes e.g.



After Re-Sorting your Group content, **preview the new record order** by clicking on the "update record order" button at the bottom of the screen

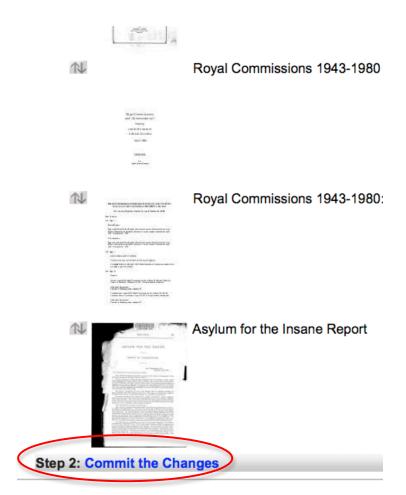


Remember: any unnumbered images will float to the top of the list

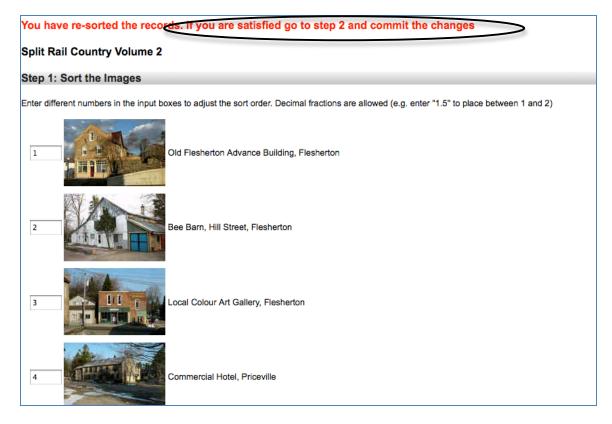
The preview screen allows you to review and adjust the order of your group images before committing that order.

Remember: Preview is a superficial view option, but "Commit the Changes" will reindex all the records in this group—this takes time, depending on the size of a group.

Use the Preview option liberally—Commit only when you're sure!



Once the reindexing has occurred, you will receive a confirmation message.

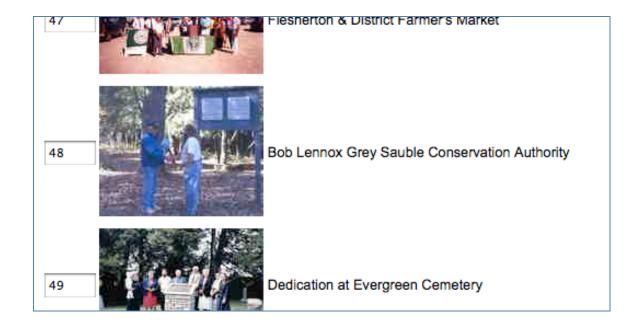


To adjust order on the preview screen, use .5 to fit items between two others.

For example, in this list, there are three images from a series but that are out of order. The first two are paired beside each other:



And another from that series was orphaned during the first numbered sorting process:



To insert the orphan within the series, add .5 to the image number you want the orphan to **follow** in the group order:



Click "Update Record Order"...



And the orphan is placed between the two other images in the series:



Commit the Changes to reindex the group records:



Once an order is determined and committed, any new records added to the group will "float" to the top of the order list and the display order, and so will have to be reordered.

Remember:

- Committing changes to the group sort order affects the order display on both the data management and the public views
- This means that end users on the public side cannot sort objects in a group using the facet panel options once this order is committed to the index

 Sorting on this screen works for groups no larger than 100 records, for larger groups, the user can sort group objects with the facet panel on the public side.

5.4 Adding records to a group

Add items to groups

To start populating your Group, return to the Main Menu and use the Search link to find items in your collection that match your group criteria. You might see the new group record in your results list (as below)

Manage Records

Add Record:

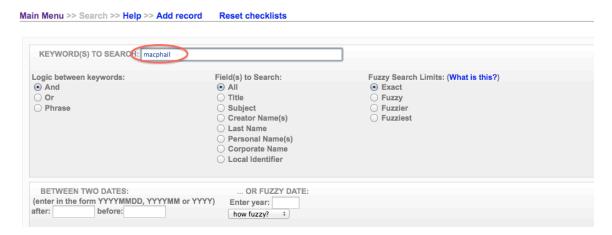
- and upload file
- · without a file
- as a Birth, Marriage or Death (BMD) entry

Search or Update Record

- Proofilist [last added first, from the indexes]
- Top 100 Records [aka: the last 100 records added, from the database]
- Record id:
 go

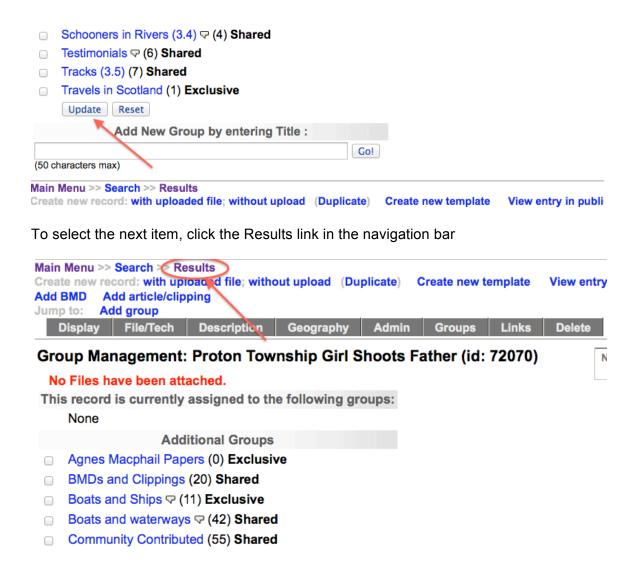
Add/Edit Publication Add/Edit Issue

Add Batch/Edit Templates



Search results...

Main Menu >> Search >> Results Add record We found 6 matching items. Keywords: macphail Sort: Relevance Page 1 of 1 This is the Group record Agnes Macphail Papers **Proton Township Girl Shoots Father** 🖾 "Proton Township Girl Shoots Father," Markdale Standard (1888), 19420430, p. 4, column 2 Ruby Campbell is the niece of Agnes Macphail These are item records Robbie Burns test Sept 9, 1952, A postcard sent by Agnes Macphail to her sister during her trip to Scotland. Local Identifier: JB017 **GHPL** manual Open a desired item record go to Groups tab select Group from list click Update... Main Menu >> Search >> Results Create new record: with uploaded file; without upload (Duplicate) Create new template View entry in pu Add BMD Add article/clipping Jump to: Add group Display File/Tech Description Geography Admin Groups Links Delete Group Management: Proton Township Girl Shoots Father (id: 72070) No Cor No Files have been attached. This record is currently assigned to the following groups: None **Additional Groups** Agnes Macphail Papers (0) Exclusive BMDs and Clippings (20) Shared



Part 6 Search or update records

Search or Update Record – Links to advanced search screen for finding specific records in your collection, public and non-public.

Prooflist – Links to a results set of everything in the agency's collection, ordered last added first, public and non-public. This list is generated from the index.

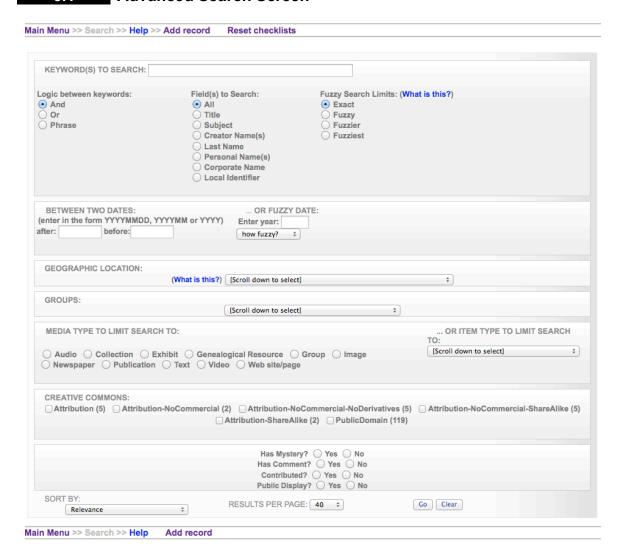
Top 100 records – a list of record titles, ID nos. and date added timestamp for the last 100 records added to the collection. Allows of fast navigation to recent additions and also as check for records not showing in results sets that they were added to the database.

Record ID – a quick way to navigate to a specific record using its ID no (as seen in DM record screens. This is the record ID assigned during upload, not the Local Identifier you add to the record (search Local Identifier through the Advanced Search screen in DM).

Search or Update Record

- Prooflist [last added first, from the indexes]
- Top 100 Records [aka: the last 100 records added, from the database]
- Record id:
 go

6.1 Advanced Search Screen



There are many ways to scope a search using the facets on the Advanced Search screen.

To retrieve the complete collection from the Advanced Search screen, perform a "null search" by simply clicking on "Go" without entering any information in the search screen or use the Prooflist link from the main menu.

Limit your keyword search:

Define the logic between keywords: "keyword AND keyword" will search for both terms no matter how they appear in the content (i.e. separately or together); "keyword OR keyword" will search for either of the keywords and bring back all content containing either keyword; "keyword keyword" PHRASE will return results only where the keywords as they have been entered in the search bar are found in the content.

Search within specific data field: Title, Subject, Creator Name(s), Last name, Corporate name, or Local Identifier.

Fuzzy searching: allows the search engine to return keywords that almost match your search terms—you can determine how closely or dissimilar the results need to be sing the fuzzy-fuzziest radio buttons.

Search by date range:

Search between two dates: this searches records where Sortable Dates have been assigned. Be sure to use the appropriate date format.

Fuzzy Dates: allows the search engine to return records whose Earliest & Latest dates are within a +/- range as predetermined by you (how fuzzy?)

Geographic location:

Select from the drop down menu of geographic locations that have been assigned to records in your collection.

Groups:

Select records according to the group to which they are assigned by selecting the group name from the drop down list. In data management, the groups list includes public AND non-public groups.

Limit by Media & Item Type:

Scope by media type: every possible media type assigned to your collection will display here.

Scope by item type: choose an item type from the drop down list to see only those records classified as certain item types.

Search by Creative Commons license:

Scope or search by license type: click the checkboxes of the license types you want to scope your search results to.

Search by defining record characteristics:

Select records that do or do not have: Mystery Questions or Comments associated or have Contributed status
Select records that are Public or Non-Public

Sort / Results options:

Sort results by:

- Relevance
- Title (0-9, A-Z)
- Sort by date (oldest first)
- Sort by date (newest first)
- Oldest date (to newest)
- Newest date (to oldest)
- Date added (newest first)
- Date modified (newest first)

Date made public (newest first)

Defining the number of results per page:

• 10, 40, 100 or 200.

Part 7 Media Type: Collections

The media type "Collection" is designed to include records with minimal metadata about an existing online collection on users' organizational or institutional website and create a "pointer" to the home page of that collection using VITA. This is useful for collections where the individual objects, e.g. photos, do **not** have unique URLs, perhaps because they are embedded in web pages.

What's the difference between importing records and linking to a collection?

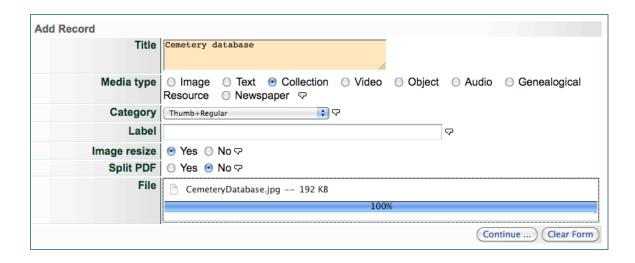
For example: <u>University of Toronto: Anatomia 1522-1867: Anatomical Plates</u> from the Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library is an Imported Collection where every object has a unique URL and record associated with it; whereas the Fort Erie Public Library has three <u>Linked Collections</u> in which objects are embedded in a web site and cannot be pointed to individually.

For new collections, have ready the following:

- Thumbnail image (preferably JPG format)
- Title of collection
- Organizational name
- Description (1-2 sentences)
- URL for the home page of the online collection

7.1 Add collection

Log in to VITA and select "Add record" from the Main Menu



- Enter **Title** of external collection
- Media Type: Select "Collection"
- Category: Select "Thumbnail (Only one allowed)" or "Thumb + regular"
- Label: not applicable
- Image resize: Select "Yes"
- Split PDF: not applicable
- o **Upload file**: browse and upload an image to represent the Collection
- Click "Upload" and wait for the Continue button to appear
- o Continue...

7.2 Creating a collection record

The record for a collection is comprised of 4 mandatory fields and 3 recommended fields. See Part 4 for more details about field definitions.

Descriptive Data: Cemetery database (id: 259)

No Item Type has been assigned.

Sortable Date has not been assigned.

Earliest Year has not been assigned.

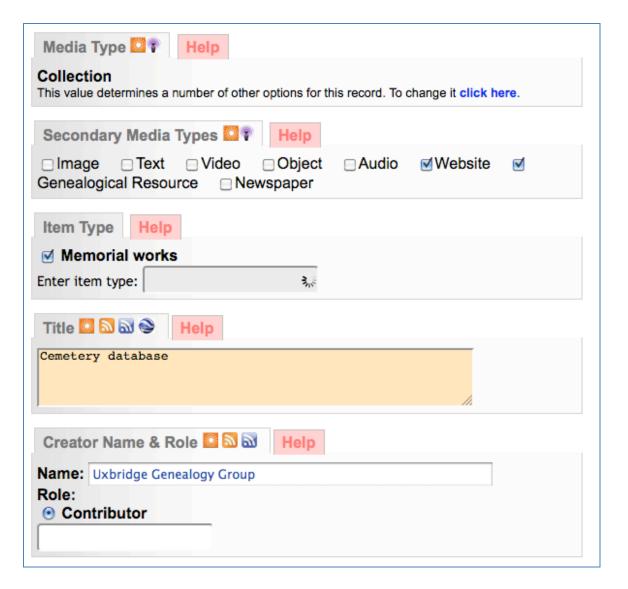
Latest Year has not been assigned.

This record will not display in the Public Sites.

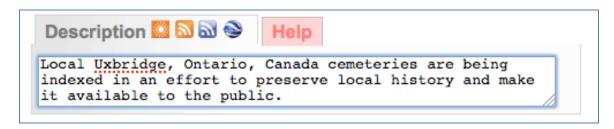
A link must be assigned to record of this media type.

Minimum information for Collection records includes:

- Title: carried forward from Add Record screen, the title can be edited any time
- Creator Name & Role
 - Name: Organization or Institution who hosts the Collection
 - Role: Must be "Contributor"

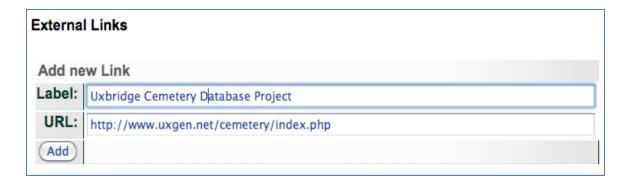


Description (1-2 sentences)



Link URL / Label

URL: Collection homepageLabel: Title of Collection



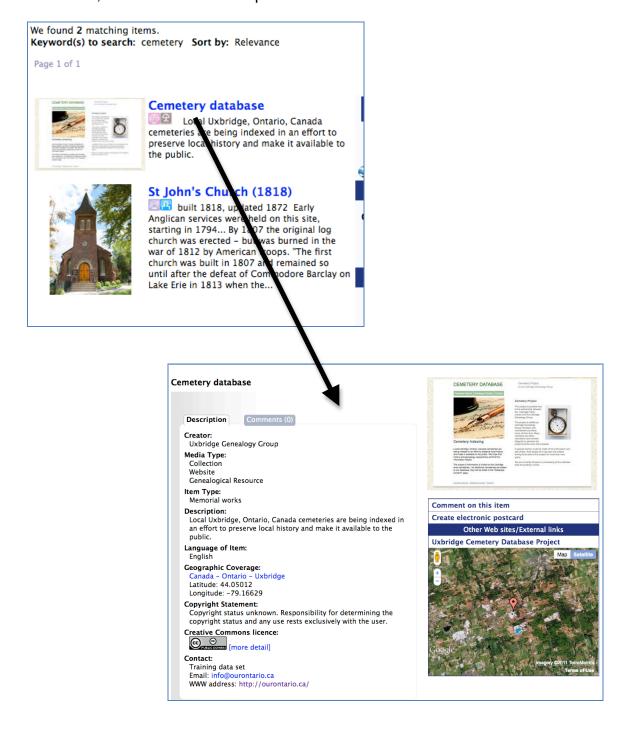
Recommended fields include:

- Subjects Use subject headings that provide keywords for faceted searching
- Language(s) in item (multiple allowed)
- Dates scope of dates represented in the collection objects
- Geographic Location Input a location that best represents the collection contents

7.3 Collections Display

What will users see on the public side once you have entered a Collection?

When a user finds your collection, the display result will include the linked thumbnail, linked title and description:



Part 8 Media Type: Publications (non-Newspaper)



A Publication record in this context is a profile record for publications like serial publications to which individual records (clippings, articles, or issues) are going to be associated, e.g. You have a vertical file of clippings from the *Kingston Gazette*, so create a publication record for the *Kingston Gazette* and associate each clipping record with that publication OR you have a collection of newsletters from the local genealogical society, so determine that you

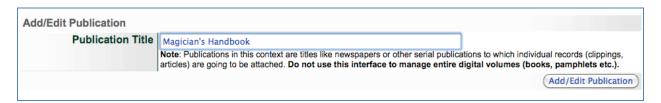
have permission to scan and upload those newsletters for online discovery, create a publication record for the newsletter and then associate each multipart newsletter record with that publication. The result is a way of grouping objects under their umbrella publication title and then when dates are assigned, to be able to sort those objects against one another.

The following workflow is for non-Newspaper Publications and Newspapers with only clippings associated, not full run newspapers with issues.

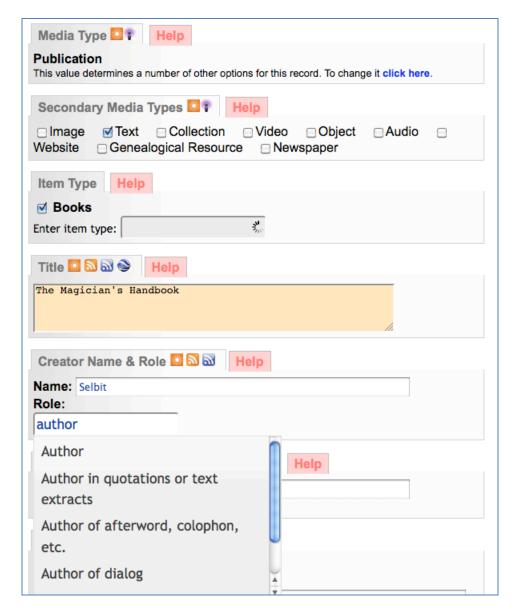
For Newspaper Publications and Newspaper Content, see the Newspaper Content Management manual.



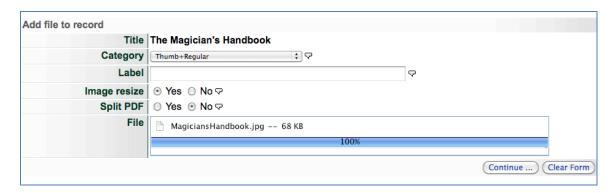
- From the Main Menu, select "Add / Edit Publications"
- Enter the Publication Title—avoid including starting articles like A, The, An, etc.



- The Secondary Media Type will be auto-populated as Text
- If you select Newspaper as a secondary media type and update the record, the Role field will appear. Choose "Yes" only if you are working with full run serials or newspapers.
- Item type—choose the most appropriate type of publication to describe your object
- Complete the remaining Publication metadata record as you would any other VITA record
- Once established, the publication record data is inherited by associated text fragments like clippings (e.g. geography, publication title, etc.).

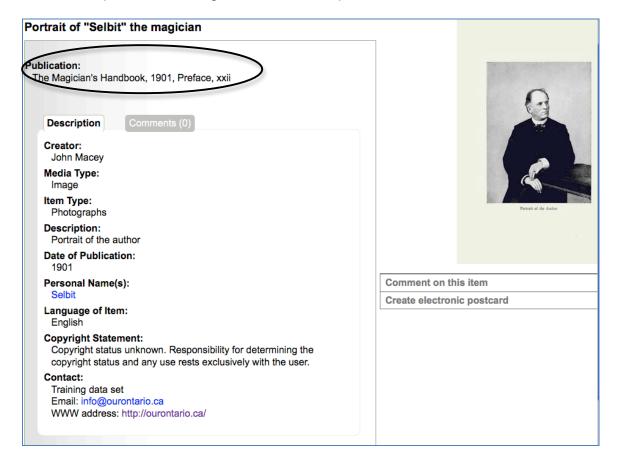


- To upload a masthead image to represent the Publication, go to File/Tech Data and Associate a file with this record.
- Browse for the file, choose category Thumb + Regular





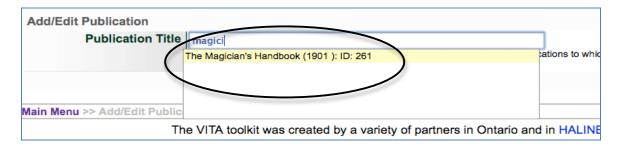
Now, any article or clipping without an individual image will be represented by the associated publication image and inherit the publication metadata.



8.2 Edit Publication



From the Main Menu, select "Add / Edit Publications"



- Begin typing the title you want to edit and select the title from the lookup list
- On the Publication record screens, edit the publication information and update your records as you go.

Avoiding Duplicate Titles:

If your publication title resembles one in the look-up list, add a unique feature that can be edited out once the title has been added to the index.

E.g. A new publication called *Sun Tribune* published in Wheezer, Ontario is being added, but *Sun Tribune* published in Stouffville, Ontario already exists. Enter *Sun Tribune 2* in the Add Title input box and then remove the "2" on the descriptive data screen.

Metadata matters: The uniqueness of each publication is determined by publication dates and location.

Part 9 Media Type: Website

Now you can upload website records to VITA as standalone objects in your collection, not only are they linked to the external site but, when available, the web sites are full-text searchable as part of your organization's digital collection.

Using the basic steps of VITA data management, you can create a record with a representative display image, descriptive metadata and the full text content from the external website.

The websites you upload are configured to link not to your VITA record about them but to the external website itself (see Add website link), and the full-text search results will allow users to see their keyword terms in context in the results list before they link to the website itself (see Website full text).



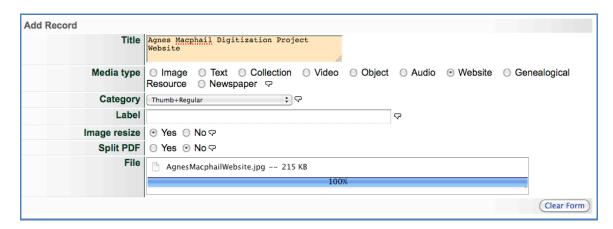
9.1 Add Website

Note: Make sure that the site administrator has enabled Media type Website for your agency.

From the main menu, select Add Record and upload file



Add the website title, a screenshot of the home page, select Media Type: Website, choose Thumb + Regular for the display object and allow the file size to change.



On the data input screens, include as much information about the website as possible, especially:

- o Title
- Description
- Creator
- Subjects
- Full text (Non-Displaying)
- Geographic location (if applicable)
- o Links

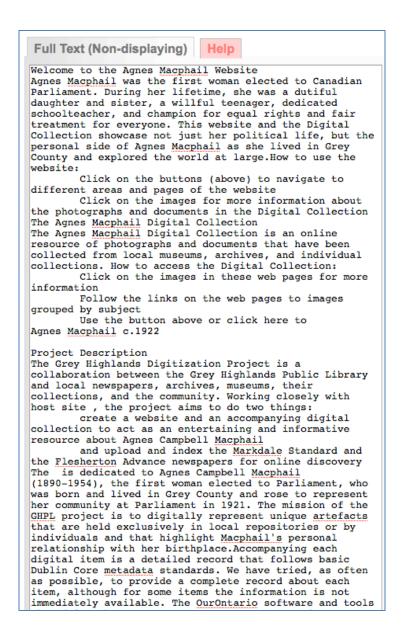
Text will **not** be automatically extracted.

9.2 Website Full Text

With Website Media type, the full text from web pages can be added just like a multipart object, but is used exclusively for searching. The text does not display in the public record, but will be viewed in snippets during user searches.

Remember: the text contained in a VITA record remains static; so, if the web site content changes, it must be manually updated in VITA.

To include full text from a multipart website, select and copy text from each web page and paste it into a text editing application like Notepad, Text Edit, or Word. Remove any formatting manually or convert to plain text. Copy the simplified text and paste it into the Full Text (Non-Displaying) input box on the Descriptive Data screen. Don't forget to click "Yes" for Index this text.



9.3 Add Website Link

To make the Website link to the external home page of the web site and not to the VITA record, add the URL as the first link on the Links screen.



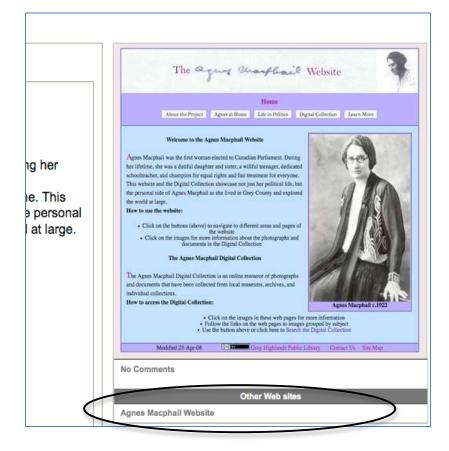
On the data management side of VITA, the website results will point to the VITA record for access to the record



Agnes Macphail Website

Agnes Macphail was the first woman elected to Canadian Parliament. During her lifetime, she was a dutiful daughter and sister, a willful teenager, dedicated schoolteacher, and champion for equal rights and fair treatment for everyone. This website and the Digital Collection showcase not just her...

and the link will appear in the VITA record like this:



On the public display results set, the linked thumbnail and title will lead to the external website:

