



# ACA 2008 Conference June 9 – 11, 2008 at a Glance

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Monday, June 9 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday, June 10 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday, June 11 <sup>th</sup>
9:00 am-4:30 pm	9:00 am-4:30 pm	9 am – 1:30 pm Kings Landing Visit
Workshop: The Management of Photographic Records in the Age of Digital: Present and Future. John Lund from the Provincial Archives of Alberta will weigh the pros and cons of digitizing traditional photographic formats, provide concrete practical guidance for the pursuit and implementation of a photograph digitization project, look at issues around born digital photographic records, and explore the future of photography through current trends, speculation and theory. Marshall D'Avray Hall, Room 309 University of New Brunswick,	Workshop: Digital Dilemmas: Archiving E-Mail Nancy Adgent and colleagues from the Rockefeller Archive Center and Smithsonian Institution Archives will cover the challenges of accessioning email, the software applications and best practices for processing e-mail, and the development of descriptive metadata. This workshop will include exercises utilizing a local computer network. Marshall D'Avray Hall, Room 131 University of New Brunswick  Workshop #2: The Management of Photographic Records in the Age of Digital: Present and Future. (2nd offer; Marshall D'Avray Hall, Room 309)	We are happy to offer the option to visit Kings Landing Historical Settlement. The bus leaves the Crown Plaza at 9 am.  9:30 am-5:00 pm  Archives Geek Fest (Garrison Room) is an informal workshop to collaborate on IT or 'geek' related topics and projects. The focus is on sharing ideas & experiences with a short presentation, tech project proposal, or other form of participation made by each attendee.  Golfing (Fredericton area course) Contact Fred Farrell or Bryan Corbett to participate  9:00 -10:30 am  • Board of Directors (St. Croix)  10:30 - noon  • Finance Committee (St. Croix)
	8:30 am – 3:30 pm  • Tour to Saint John & south coast Join us for a day-long tour to Saint John, New Brunswick, the gateway to the Bay of Fundy. "Saint John includes pristine parks, history lined streets, quality dining and shopping, a vibrant arts and entertainment community and colourful festivals, as well as ocean adventures and attractions." Departs from the hotel at 8:30 am, and returns about 3:30 pm  3 pm Golfing at Algonquin (St. Stephens) Contact Fred Farrell or Bryan Corbett for details	1 - 5 pm Registration Desk (Oromocto) 1:00-3:00 pm Council of Presidents (St. Croix) Education Committee (Restigouche) Municipal Archives SIS (Miramichi) Religious Archives SIS (Cater Out) 3:30-5:30 pm Archivaria Editorial Board (PANB) Aboriginal Archives SIS (Miramichi) Access & Privacy SIS (St. Croix) Climate Records SIS (James Joyce) Government Records SIS (Restigouche) SISPA (Cater Out) UCASIS (Petitcodiac)
Golfing (local Fredericton course) Contact Fred Farrell or Bryan Corbett for details	4:00-6:00 pm  Registration Desk (Oromocto)  /conference to view descriptions for each of these	5:00 pm First Timers/Mentor Reception (St. John) Sponsored by Library and Archives Canada 7:00 – 9:00 pm ACA Welcoming Gala (Old Government House) sponsored by: Lt. Governor's Office & PANB

Please visit the ACA web site, <a href="www.archivists.ca/conference">www.archivists.ca/conference</a> to view descriptions for each of these activities, any fees (e.g. workshops, bus tours, Dinner & Dance) and to obtain forms for the Conference registration and Social activities as well as any of the Workshops.

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Travel assistance applications along with eligibility terms and restrictions are located in the Conference area of the web site under Related Forms.



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## Thursday, June 12th 2008 at a Glance

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7:30-8:45 am

Session Chairs' Breakfast (Garrison)

8:00 am-5:00 pm

Registration Desk & Conference Office (Oromocto Room)

9:00-10:00 am

1. Opening Plenary sponsored by Carr McLean

(Ballroom)

Speaker: Lt. Governor of New Brunswick, His Honour Herménégilde Chiasson

Description: Dr. Chiasson makes use of digital resources to enrich his teaching. A visual artist and essayist, playwright and filmmaker, his passion has been to interpret life creatively, thoughtfully and with vision. Now in his fourth year as Lt. Governor of New Brunswick, through the hundreds of engagements across the province his office has afforded him, he brings a unique perspective to the dreams and impacts he has witnessed when the public is exposed to its history and culture. This experience provides him with a vantage point to consider the value and problems for creators, consumers and society generally of having vast quantities of information accessible at the touch of a button.

#### 10:00-10:30 am Break (mezzanine foyer) sponsored by Associates of the Provincial Archives

#### 10:30-Noon

2a. Student Session (Beaverbrook) Speakers:

Konrad Krahn, University of Manitoba Jennifer Murray, McGill University Rebecka Sheffield, University of Toronto

**Description:** This session profiles research by students at Canadian archival studies programs. The papers will cover functional requirements of electronic management systems; visual literacy and moving images in an archival context; and access and privacy issues as they relate to queer archives.

2b. Rest in Peace: Electronic Records Speakers: (Petitcodiac)

April Miller, World Bank Group Archives Ian McAndrew, World Bank Archives

**Description:** This session will discuss the capture and management of electronic records through their lifecycle within the environments of two large institutions: the World Bank and the Government of Canada.

2c. Performing Arts & Digital Environment Speakers: (Garrison)

Kathryn Harvey, Dalhousie University Theresa Rowat, McGill U. Archives Francesca Marini, SLAIS, UBC

**Description:** Theatre, music and dance pose unique challenges for archivists. How does the digital environment support or complicate preservation of and access to performing arts archives?

Noon - 1:30 pm

Buffet lunch: (include all pre-registered delegates) sponsored by Lockheed Martin Mentorship briefing session (Garrison)

(Ballroom)

Public Awareness Committee Round Table (Petitcodiac)

### 1:30-3:00 pm

(Beaverbrook) 3a. Cabal or Babel: Collaborative Efforts to Put Archival content on the Web

Lisa Charlong and Jennifer Whitney, Electronic Text Centre, UNB Margaret Conrad, Atlantic Studies, UNB Fred Farrell, Prov. Archives New Brunswick **Description:** Presenters investigate the implications & consequences for IT, historians and archival collaborators in putting archival documents on the Atlantic Canada Portal, discussing historical scholarship in the age of Wikipedia, and the potential of the web and digitization to return archivists to the status of

3b. Managing Government Electronic Records: The Role of the Archivist (Petitcodiac)

Speakers:

Anna Gibson, Prov. Archives of Alberta Susan Hart, BC Corporate Information Management

Shelley Smith, Government of Newfoundland and Labrador John MacLeod, Nova Scotia Archives & Records Management

**Description:** This discussion panel led by archivists and information professionals will explore the impact of the electronic environment on the management of records in various organizations.

3c. I, Digital: Humans, computers and research (Garrison)

#### Speakers:

Martin Comeau, Winnipeg Archives Kat Timms, Library & Archives Canada Leah Sander, Library & Archives Canada

**Description:** A look at the interaction between researchers and the digital world: how technologies pertain to providing access to archival resources, and two case studies about how new technologies affect researchers.

#### 3:00-3:30 pm Break (mezzanine foyer) sponsored by the Council of Archives New Brunswick

3:30-5:00 pm

(Petitcodiac) 4a. Archives and the Technological Wave

Speakers: Jean Dryden, FIS/UT with Jim Suderman Sonya Sherman, Cayman Islands Archive Francesca Marini, SLAIS/UBC

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Lori Nordland, Alberta Research Council

Commentator: John Roberts, Archives NZ **Description:** Considering potential partners / competitors, management of both public and private records, the theoretical basis of digital recordkeeping, panelists will go beyond the "issues", the nuts & bolts of preserving digital records and attempt to glimpse the future.

4b. The Digital Disconnect in the Third World - The Case of Human Rights and Archives (Garrison)

Speakers:

Tom Adami, UN Mission in Sudan Jones Lukose, International Criminal Court Nancy Marrelli, Concordia Univ. Archives

**Description:** This session will highlight the unique problems of feasible and sustainable digitization in the third world from the perspective of various UN Mission archives. 4c. Reaching Out With Fibre Optic Arms Speakers: (Beaverbrook)

Stewart Boden, Archives of Ontario Scott Barrie, Archives of Ontario Jeremy Heil, Queen's Univ. Archives

**Description:** This session will discuss the benefits of using the web to reach new audiences for public programming initiatives and to enhance archival descriptions through online user interaction.

6 pm - 7 pm

Tour of historic UNB campus; meet at Student Union Building, UNB, main entrance at 5:45 pm; please sign-up at the Host Table (beside Registration)

7 pm - midnight

Lobster Dinner & entertainment (SUB, UNB campus); sponsored by PANB & UNB Library





## Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at a Glance

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#### 8:00 am-4:00 pm

#### Conference Office (Oromocto)

#### 8:30-10:00 am

(Beaverbrook)

5a. The Tide is High, But We're Holdin' On: The impact of digital technology on Nova Scotia's Archival Community

### Speakers:

Heather Pitcher, NSARM Andrea Robbins, NSARM Michael Moosberger, Dalhousie U. Archives

**Description:** This session reports the findings of a survey of the users of NSARM's online descriptive tools, and the CNSA's Membership Needs Assessment & Planning Study.

5b. Managing the Impact of the Digital Age in National Repositories (Garrison) Speakers:

Leigh Rosin, Alexander Turnbull Library (National Library of New Zealand) Richard Brown, Library and Archives Canada

**Description:** This session will reveal current strategies of national institutions in Canada and New Zealand for the acquisition and management of digital records.

5c. Open source software for archives Speakers: (Petitcodiac)

Evelyn McLellan, Insurance Corporation of BC

Glenn Dingwall, City of Vancouver Archives

Peter Van Garderen, Artefactual Systems

Description: An overview and demonstration of some open-source software relevant to archives, and a discussion of the benefits and challenges that open-source technology brings to the archival community.

#### 10:00-10:30 am Break (mezzanine foyer) sponsored by the Archives of Ontario

#### 10:30-Noon

(Petitcodiac)

6a. From Paper to Pixels & Theory to Practice Speakers:

Adrian Brown, UK National Archives John Roberts, Archives New Zealand

**Description:** The first presenter analyzes the UK National Archives Seamless Flow Programme, designed for automated end-to end processes, from the transfer of digital records created in government departments to the Archives, through preservation, to delivery on the web to users. The second presentation discusses the impact of the New Zealand Digitisation Standard which is being adopted as an ISO Standard and an Australasian AS/NZ Standard.

6b. The Social Life of a Northern Document (Beaverbrook) Speakers:

Julia Morberg, Elder, Tr'ondek Hwech'in First Nation

Madeline de Repentigny, Heritage Assistant, Tr'ondek Hwech'in First Nation Linda Johnson, Yukon College Archives

**Description:** This session will examine the history of an early map of the Yukon River from its origins to its travels and continuity via electronic media.

6c. The personal is digital (Garrison) Speakers:

Heather Beattie, Hudson's Bay Company Archives

Rodney Carter, Religious Hospitallers of St. Joseph

Catherine Hobbs, Library and Archives Canada

Description: A presentation and discussion of issues surrounding personal digital records, their values, and the role of the archivist in their creation and preservation.

#### Noon-2:00 pm ACA Awards lunch: (included for all pre-registered delegates) sponsored by Ancestry.ca (Ballroom)

#### 2:00-3:30 pm

(Beaverbrook)

7a. Corporate Concerns Come to Campus Speakers:

Jackie Esposito, Penn State University Eun Park, McGill University Gordon Burr, McGill University Lara Wilson, Univ of Victoria Archives

**Description:** This session will discuss the management of electronic records and information systems within three different universities, along with the challenges and opportunities encountered along the way.

7b. Putting Digital Images on the Web Speakers: (Garrison)

John Lund, Provincial Archives of Alberta Jean Dryden, University of Toronto

Commentator Geneviève Allard, Library and Archives Canada

**Description:** This session discusses the Emerging Alberta Digitization Project, and copyright practices of Canadian repositories. 7c. Digital Preservation at the Government of Alberta (Petitcodiac)

### Speakers:

Garth Clarke, Alberta Children's Services

Lori Nordland, Alberta Research Council Wayne Murdoch, Prov. Archives Alberta **Description:** This session examines the development of a common Government of Alberta digital preservation strategy for its

records of long-term value. The three presentations will deal with both theoretical and pragmatic aspects in implementing such a preservation strategy.

#### 3:30-4:00 pm Break (mezzanine foyer) supported by Canadian Council of Archives

#### 4:00-5:30 pm ACA Members Input Session

(Garrison Room)

An opportunity for all ACA members to: receive a report on the revised Bylaws and address the ACA Board, Chairs & staff.

The Board will be discussion the proposed new By-Laws for ACA, as well as possible new membership categories.

Voice your thoughts and opinions on what ACA is doing right and what needs to be improved. ACA is only as strong as its membership; this is your chance to get involved. All are welcome.

6:00 pm East/West Ball Game (Prospect St. Upper Field) sponsored by Carroll & Associates

Walking Tour of Historic Fredericton 6:00 pm

Pub Night (James Joyce Pub, Crowne Plaza Hotel) 8:30 pm

Film night: The Rape of Europa (Exhibit Hall, PANB); please sign-up at the Host Table (beside Registration) 9:00 pm





# Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at a Glance

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8:00 am-3:30 pm 9:00-10:00 am

Conference Office (Oromocto)

8. Plenary: From Graveyards to Google

(Ballroom)

#### Speakers:

Jacques Poitras, CBC Provincial Public Affairs Reporter and author of Beaverbrook A Shattered Legacy

Gwen Davies, Dean of Graduate Studies, UNB Nancy Vogan, Mount Allison University

Description: Consideration of the impact of the internet on research from the experiences and perspectives of a media reporter and two scholars in the fields of Maritime Literature and Music respectively

10:00-10:30 am Break & Poster Session (mezzanine foyer) sponsored by Royal BC Museum & BC Archives

#### 10:30-Noon

(Ballroom)

9a. Getting the Horse before the Cart: Creating a Sustainable Digital Records Program

#### Speakers:

Michael Miller, Lockheed Martin Reynolds Cahoon, Lockheed Martin Commentator: Tom Parker, NSARM

**Description:** This session will examine the reasons why so many electronic and document management system implementations fail and present an alternative approach for improving digital records programs drawing on enterprise architecture, a records management capability model, and systems thinking tools to successfully create, manage, and preserve authoritative digital records.

9b. Considering the Creator Through Archival Research and Preservation (Petitcodiac)

#### Speakers:

Heather Ryckman. The Co-operators Marcel Barriault, Library and Archives Canada Heather Home, Queen's University Archives

**Description:** This session touches on issues of creation, research and preservation in an electronic environment through consideration of the preservation of electronic art; technology and biography; and collaboration with creators to ensure preservation of audio-visual records.

9c. The InterPARES 3 Project: Implementing Digital Records Preservation in Small and Mediumsized Archives (Garrison)

#### Speakers:

Randy Preston, UBC, InterPARES Project

Evelyn McLellan, Insurance Corporation of BC

Paul Hebbard, Simon Fraser University **Description:** An update on InterPARES 3, which is focused almost exclusively on practical research involving implementation and testing of digital preservation resources in the context of small and medium sized public and private archival organizations and programs.

Noon -1:30 pm box lunch for all pre-registered delegates (pick up your lunch in the Ballroom, main level)

- CCA Interactive (Garrison Room)
- Poster session displays in Mezzanine Foyer

### 1:30-3:00 pm

(Petitcodiac)

10a. Real World Digitization: Digitization projects in the academic setting

### Speakers:

Shelley Sweeney, University of Manitoba Lisa Atkinson, University of Calgary Brett Lougheed, University of Manitoba Lee Stout, Penn State University

**Description:** This session will provide archivists with a taste of the wide variety of projects, products, partners, audiences and results of digitization projects in the academic environment.

10b. Access and Privacy Issues in a Digital World Speakers: (Ballroom)

Brian Beaven, Library and Archives Canada, Jim Suderman, City of Toronto

**Description:** A panel discussion relating to challenges in providing access to electronic records, in the context of responsibilities for access and privacy legislation.

10c. Descriptive Standards: An update Speakers: (Garrison)

Gerald Stone, Library Archives Canada William Landis, Yale Univ Archives Sharry Watson, Prov. Archives Alberta Claire Sibille, ICA Committee on Best Practices and Standards

**Description:** This session provides a status report on the development of descriptive standards nationally and internationally, and discusses the issues that still need to be addressed

3:00-3:15 pm Break (mezzanine foyer) sponsored by NSARM & CNSA

3:15-4:00 pm

#### 11. Closing Plenary: Keeper, Interpreter, Mediator?

(Ballroom)

Speaker: Laura Millar

Description: Changing Archival Roles in the Internet Age: This session probes the influence of the Internet on the archivist's role in the 21st century; are we keepers, interpreters, mediators... or entertainers? Sponsored by the Archives Society of Alberta

4:00-6:00 pm

### **ACA Annual & Special General Meeting**

(Ballroom)

Business meeting of the ACA, including presentation of reports and audited statements, election of two directors, approval of budget and consideration of the Bylaw amendments.

6:30 pm

Cocktail reception, Raffle & Auction

(Ballroom foyer)

7:30 pm - midnight

Closing Dinner & Dance, supported by Minisis Inc.

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