

## Libraries, Museums, Archives: Institutional Context

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## Libraries, Museums, Archives: Institutional Context-

- Professional Organizations
- Different institution types and missions
- Different ways of handling even the same works
- Ethics, Values, Traditions associated with each profession

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## Professional Organizations

- <http://www.nyu.edu/tisch/preservation/program/resources/orgs-list.html>

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Brainstorming Exercise:

How do different types of institutions differ?

- Institution type and sub-type
- Mission
- Number of objects
- Uniqueness of objects
- How is Authenticity assured?
- Role of metadata
- Role of conservation

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Brainstorming Exercise:

What are the Job types/departments  
w/i each type of institution ?

- Library
- Museum
- Archive
- Film Archive

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Brainstorming Exercise:

What are the ethics, values, and traditions  
w/i each type of institution ?

- Library-
- Museum
- Archive
- Film Archive

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### Library Components

- Service to a clientele
- Stewardship over a collection
- Sustainability
- Ability to find material outside that collection

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### Library Ethics, Values, & Traditions

- Free speech
- Privacy
- Guardians over info
  - Info has a richness, context, value
  - Equal access to info
  - Diversity of info
- Collaboration
- Serving the underserved

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### Examples-

- Botanical prints at Metropolitan Museum of Art, NY Public Library, NY Botanical Gardens
- Film at American Museum of Natural History and at Museum of Modern Art

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Basil, 1542  
*De Historia Stripium*, Leonhart Fuchs



*Tulip with Grasshopper Print*, 1614-1681  
 Watercolor by Jacob Marrel, Holland  
 From the Metropolitan Museum of Art



*Vriesea incurvata* (1909- 1988)  
 By Margaret Ursula Mee  
 In the Smithsonian Catalog  
 of Botanical Illustrations

