Make It Pop Integrating Visual Literacy into Your Teaching "Songbook"





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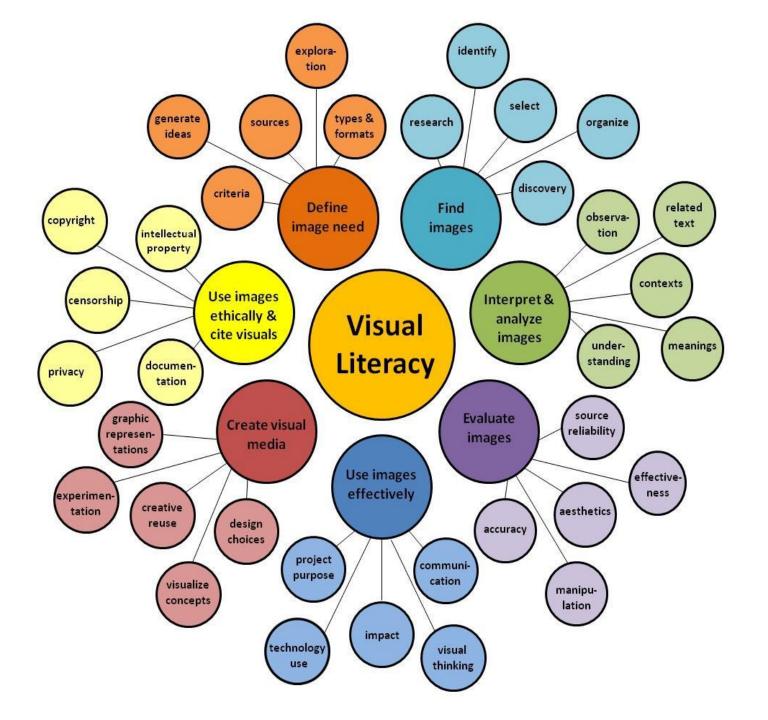
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Picture Superiority Effect

THUMBLE STATE

Picture Superiority Effect

- Pictures are more easily remembered than words.
 - -Access meaning more fully.
 - -Processed more deeply in the brain.
 - –Access both pictorial and verbal schemas.
- Example: See picture of a piano and think:
 - –Piano, ivories, baby grand, etc.



"A set of abilities that enables an individual to effectively find, interpret, evaluate, use, and create images and visual media."

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Activity



Presenting Information Visually

Examine the slide on your handout.

a) Circle the elements that could be represented visually.
b) Choose ONE element from the slide to depict. Sketch a visual for that element in the blank box to the right of the slide.

Checking Out Books

- How many books can you check out?
 - —As many as you need (or can reasonably carry!)
- How long can you check out books?
 - -Fo 28 days at a time
 - Renew through the Library Catalog
 - Remember to set up you PIN
 - -Late fees are 25 cents/day.
 - Tip: Keep an eye on your account!





Undergraduate students 28 days

+ Renew online!

1 image =

1 idea

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The visually literate student uses images and visual media effectively.

1. Uses images effectively for different purposes.

Standard

The visually literate student designs and creates meaningful images and visual media.

2a. Creates images and visual media to represent and communicate concepts, narratives, and arguments.



Scholarly vs. Popular

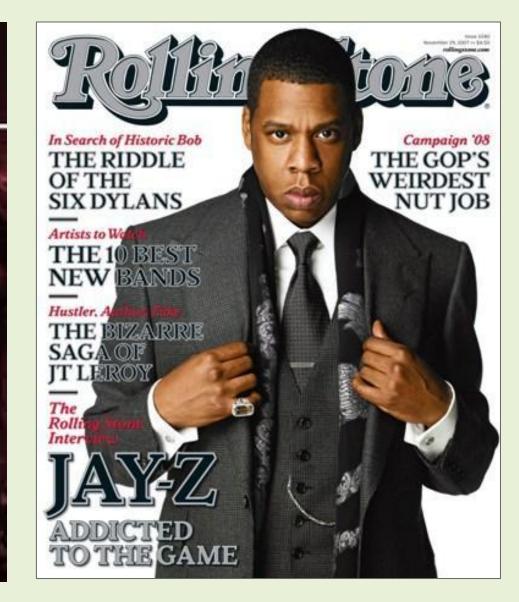
- In-depth, primary account of original findings written by the researcher(s)
- Author's credentials are
 - **provided**; usually a scholar or specialist with subject expertise
- •Audience: Scholars, researchers, and students.
- •Graphs, charts, and tables; **very few advertisements** and photographs.

- •General information, purpose is to entertain or inform; secondary discussion of someone else's research; may include personal narrative or opinion
- Author is frequently a journalist paid to write articles, may or may not have subject expertise.
- •Audience: General public; the interested non-specialist.
- •Graphs, charts and tables; lots of glossy advertisements and photographs.



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'Redneck religion and shitkickin' saviours?': Gram Parsons, theology and country music

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Abstract

The country singer Gram Parsons (1946–73) has in the last decade been increasingly cited as a seminal influence upon the development of contemporary alt.country and the roots/americana revivial. This article critiques Parsons and his music within the realm of contextual theology, using him as a bridge to examine the wider issue of what a theology of country music might entail. Both Parsons and Country Music in general are strongly religious in language, ethos and culture, yet the theology articulated both explicitly and implicitly is not evangelical as those outside the genre and culture might assume. Rather, the theology of country music involves a gospel of liminality, a theology of grace. The article asks if Parsons was a locus of grace; are his songs those of liminal presence; does country music employ a theology of redemptive transgression?

Within the world of contemporary theology is a phrase that arose in the early 1970s: 'contextual theology'. This phrase is used to describe attempts to locate the Christian narrative primarily within particular locations or communities. It stresses the need to use the local and particular to evaluate the universal and universalistic claims of the religion, its institutions and theology. This 'theology from below' (i.e. from 'the people') was needed because what is often presented as universal (i.e. non-contextual) theology is actually itself a contextual reaction (often over centuries) that is implicitly (and often explicitly) North Atlantic (i.e. North American and European) in ideology, focus and implications. It is against this imposed hegemony (often criticised as white and imperialistic) that contextual theology arose as a contested discipline. Christianity, it claims, is primarily that which is articulated in and through the culture of those on the margins of academic and orthodox, institutionalised Christianity and theology: its narrative and articulators are often those excluded from traditional discourse. These counter-narratives and articulations are therefore found in what can appear unlikely or contested places and expressions, for contextual theology is primarily a lived theology - the 'god talk' of those who are not professional theologians or even, it may be said, 'orthodox' Christians.

Contextual country?

Even so, to associate the term 'contextual theology' with the 'hard-livin" life and music of the southern singer-songwriter Gram Parsons (1946–1973) might seem on

BEST OF ROCK

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Jack White, Kings of Leon, the Black Keys, Ke\$ha and Taylor Swift have all moved here -- this is why:

BEST MUSIC SCENE

VENUES

Nashville boasts some of the best and oldest honky-tonk bars in the world. like ROBERT'S. "You can also buy a new pair of boots there, which is a perk." says KeSha. Black Keys drummer Patrick Carney prefers the STATION INN (4): "It's an old-school bluegrass venue that feels like a rec room." For hot young bands. hit THE SS POT (1), EXIT/IN or 12TH & PORTER. But no venue holds a candle to the RYMAN AUDITORIUM, the 119-year-old shrine locals call "God's own listening room."

BARS

Daytime booze is a time-honored tradition in Nashville. The 12 SOUTH TAPROOM is "perfect for afternoon drinking," says Carney, while the Kings' Caleb Followill hones his shuffleboard skills at LOSERS. But Nashville's ultimate dive is the SPRINGWATER SUPPER CLUB & LOUNGE. "You never know what's gonna happen there." says Cage the Elephant guitarist Lincoln Parish. For ritzier cocktails, rockers hit private clubs like THE SPOT (an electronic thumbprint scan gets members in) and CITIZEN. Or dress fancy for \$11 cocktails at the classic PATTERSON HOUSE.

RESTAURANTS

There are plenty of amazing cheap eats in town: Carney suggests the fried-avocado tacos at MAS TACOS. while Ke§ha recommends the meat-andthree platter at ARNOLD'S - "unless you don't want to suffer a heart attack." The Kings' Nathan Followill swears by "the bison burger with truffle fries" at BURGER UP. Jack white and wife Karen Elson are brunch regulars at MARCHÉ: for fine dining, hit CITY HOUSE, a farm-to-table haunt that servers moonshine and hosts the Kings, Gillian Welch and Mumford & Sons. Taylor Swift prefers a lighter snack: "I love the Blue Chair granola yogur tharfait at FIDO."

CLOTHES

Rockers with royalities get customized skinny jeans at IMOGENE-WILLE (2), while the rest copt for vintage at the HIP ZIPPER. No designer, though, can hold a stitch to the rock & roll and country legacy of MANUEL (3), who gave Eivis, the Beatles and Johnny Cash signature looks. These days, clients include White, Kid Rock and Bob Dylan.

RECORD STORES

Everyone agrees that GRIMEY'S NEW & PRE-LOVED MUSIC (5) is the spot for indie and vintage nuggets. Well, at least one person disagrees, "Obviously, the best record store is (husband White's office-studiostore) THIRD MAN," says Elson. AUSTIN SCAGGS

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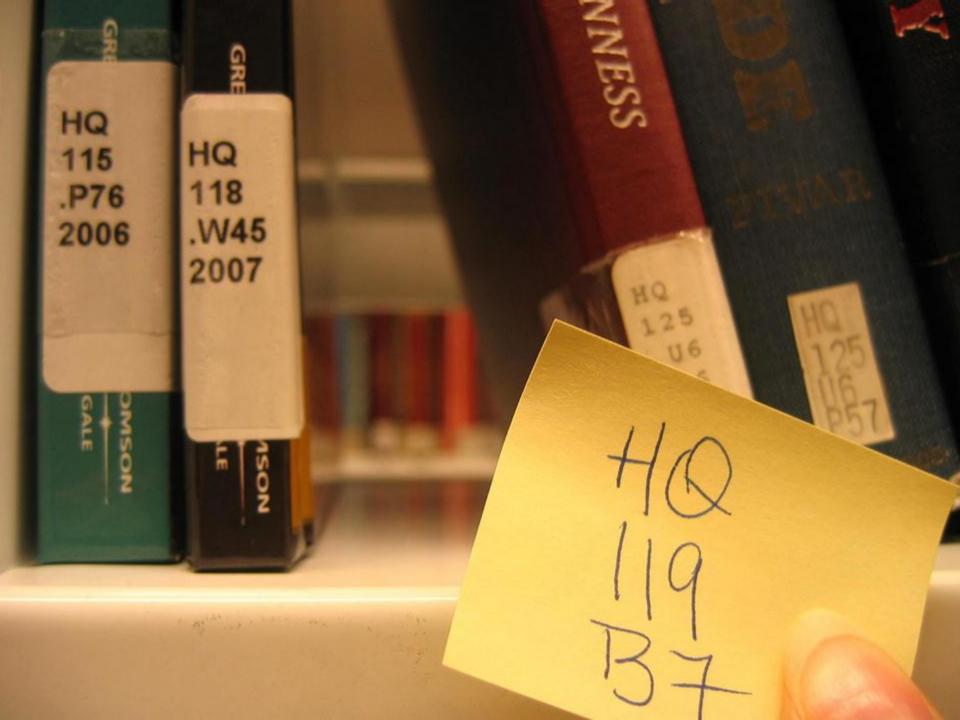


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Activity 2



Exploring Cultural and Historical Context

Examine the image and metadata.

a) Write down all of the questions that come to mind.b) Share with your neighbor. What new questions emerge?



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The visually literate student interprets and analyzes the meanings of images and visual media.

2. Situates an image in its cultural, social, and historical contexts.





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Pizza a la Mode

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By HERBERT MITGANG

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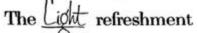
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Why? When? Where? Economic conditions? Political conditions? Social structures?

What message? What is included? What isn't included?

Who is the audience? What is the desired effect?

Activity 3



Analyzing the Aesthetic Qualities of Images

Look at the infographic "What Happens in an Internet Minute."

a) What is one thing you like about the image?b) What is one thing you don't like about it?

What Happens in an Internet Minute?

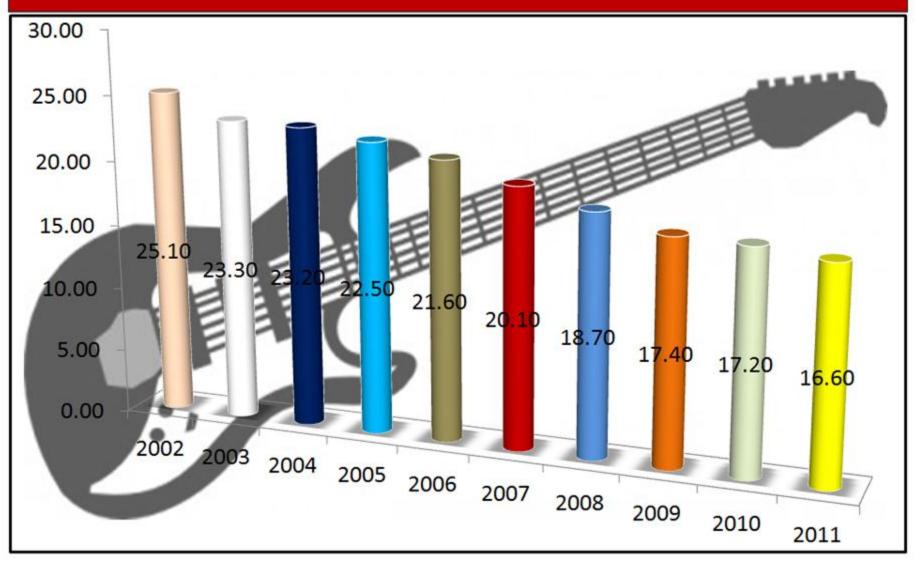


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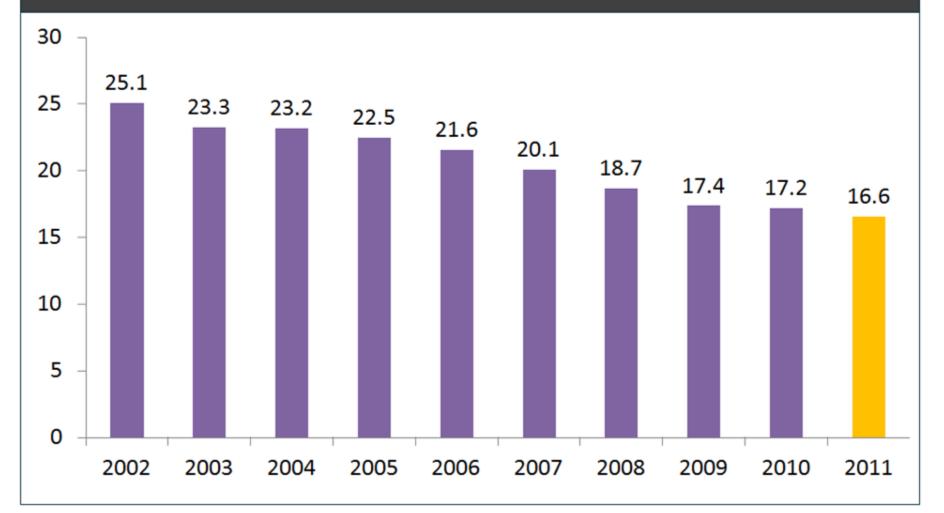
The visually literate student evaluates images and their sources.

2. Evaluates the aesthetic and technical characteristics of images.

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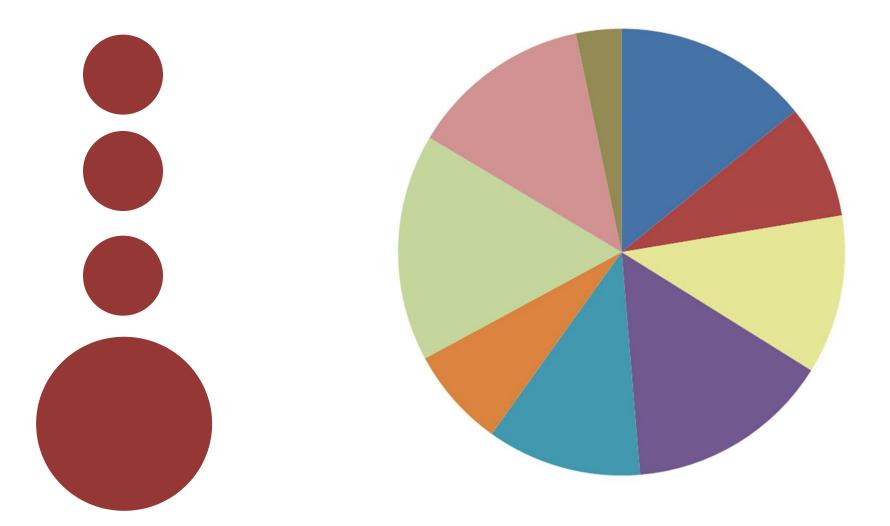


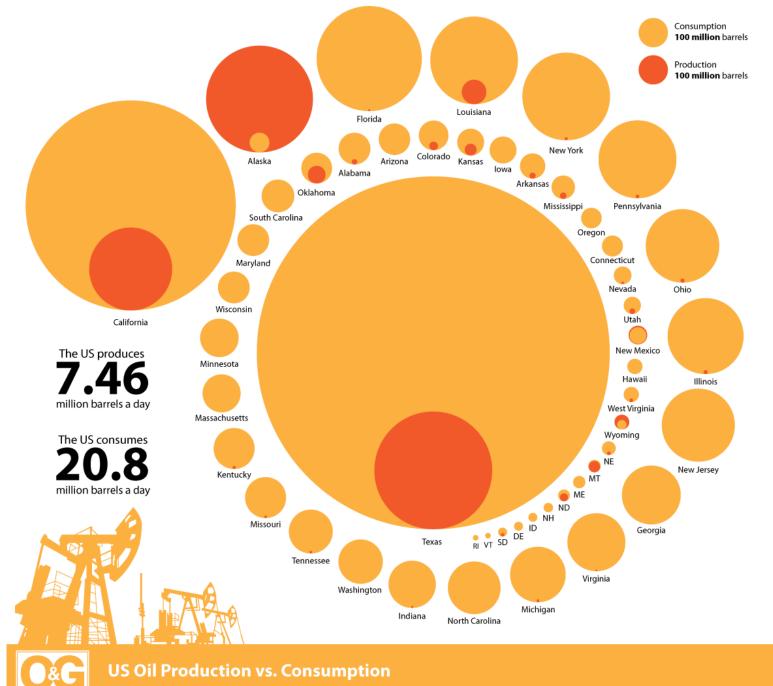


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Currently, domestic production and consumption is drastically out of kilter with only a handful of states actually pumping out a significar amount of fuel for national consumption.

EXT GENERATION

Source: Energy Information Administration

Repetition



Which element(s) are repeated?



Design Toolbox

Repetition Alignment Color Font/Typography Composition

Contrast Proximity Space Shape Image Choice



Special Collections in the Pride Library: The Closet Collection and The Queer Graphica Collection

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OBJECTIVES

In recent history, LGBTQ materials have typically been left out of many library collections, including those of academic libraries. This marginalization of LGBTQ materials can also be seen in the structure of LC subject headings and classification schemes, which are perceived by many to be blased in favour of heterosexuality.

In most libraries, collections of works with homosexual themes are often catalogued simply under the subject heading "gay fiction" or "lesbians -- comic books, strips, etc.". This can pose significant limitations for scholars or others attempting to access materials which address specific themes within this area.

We seek to address these limitations through our work on the Closet and Queer Graphica Collections. By developing unique subject terms and assigning them to the materials contained within these special collections, we are attempting to rectify the marginalization of these materials by increasing access to them.

THE CLOSET COLLECTION

The Closet Collection consists of nearly 1200 erotic (and predominantly homosexual) pulp fiction novels, many of which were produced 'sub rosa' privately, secretly, underground - between the 1940s and the 1980s. The items were part of a private collection donated anonymously to the Pride Library some time after the collector's death. Work on organizing this collection began in the summer of 2010.

A classification scheme had to be designed from the ground up and unique shelf numbers created for the Closet Collection so that series could be collocated. Shelf numbers were created using the initials of the publisher's name, the series name, and the series number. Items are then organized alphabetically by the publisher's initials, and within each grouping they are organized by their series number.

Subject analysis is currently being undertaken on these novels, with volunteers collaboratively developing an indexing language. Unlike the subject analysis done in most libraries which looks for the one concept that best describes an item's content, pre-coordinate depth indexing has been chosen as the best way to provide access to the Closet Collection, as it attempts to include any and all of the topics covered within an item.

Free-indexing is also being used for the Closet Collection. No controlled indexing language had been found adequate, and natural language indexing limited indexers



to terms found within the text. The nature of the items being indexed does not lend itself to natural language indexing because concepts that should be identified as descriptors may only be expressed indirectly within the text. For example, in the novel Mr. Fancy-Panties, characters used a sexual pleasure-enhancement device referred to in-text as "the tickler". This item is more commonly known as a cock-ring. Free-indexing allows the indexer to substitute the more commonly-known term (or a synonym) for the term found in the text.

OVERVIEW

The Closet and Queer Graphica Collections are two of several special collections at the Pride Library, an academic LGBTQ resource centre at the University of Western Ontario. The Closet Collection consists of homosexual erotic pulp novels, while the Queer Graphica Collection includes comic books and graphic novels with LGBTQ-related themes. The projects to organize, catalogue, and create subject access to these collections have been driven by volunteers and work-study students.



THE PRIDE LIBRARY



We would like to thank Professor James Miller (pictured above), founder and director of the Pride Library, for having the dedication and vision needed to make the Pride Library a reality. We would also like to thank all of the volunteers and work-study students who have contributed to these projects, as well as the donors who made access to these materials possible.

THE QUEER GRAPHICA COLLECTION

The Queer Graphica Collection consists of comic books, graphic novels, manga, zines, bibliographies, and critical works that cover a wide range of topics, including AIDS education, erotic art, bisexuality, substance abuse, homophobia, and gender satire. Items were chosen for inclusion in this collection based on the extent to which their contents incorporated comic bookstyle art or discussed items of this nature. As of December 2011, this collection consisted of over 160 items, with more items being donated on a regular basis.



Many of the items in the Pride Library's collection have already been integrated into the Western Libraries catalogue. The Pride Library is able to add up to ten subject terms to each of these items, in addition to the traditional Library of Congress subject headings assigned during the cataloging process. Thus, work on the Queer Graphica Collection involved assigning appropriate subject terms to each item.

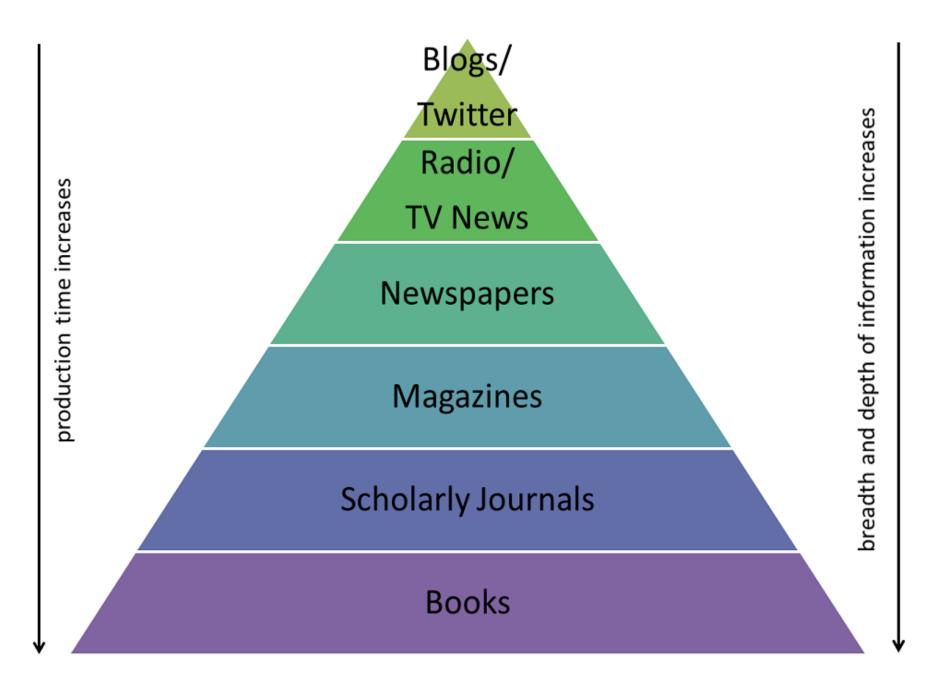
The first phase of this project was to identify which items were appropriate for inclusion in this collection. In the second phase, each item was examined and assigned subject terms based on its content. Both the text of the items and the graphical content were considered when developing subject terms. Both depthindexing and free indexing were used in the development of subject terms. Attempts were made to maintain some level of consistency in the development of the subject terms. However, as there was great variation in the content of the items, the subject terms reflected this.

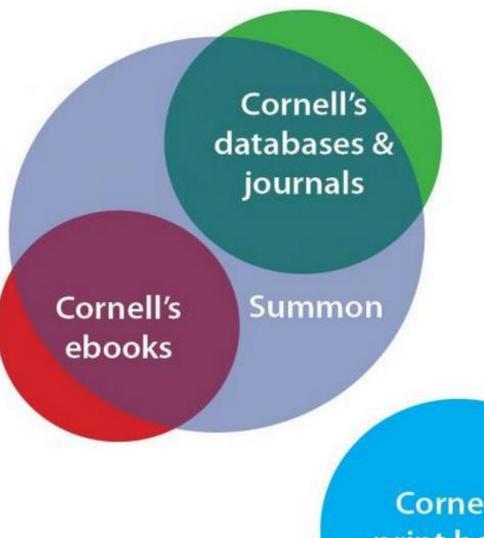
ONGOING CHALLENGES

The Closet and Queer Graphica Collections are fringe collections that explore and cross - many of the boundaries of human sexuality. As we catalogue this material, we are working to provide access, but also to protect and respect the collections: preserving them for scholarship and use that rises above the humor, fun, and sleaze the items can provoke.

Work on these projects has proved challenging. Our main concern is that of accuracy. How well does the indexing language being developed for the Closet Collection capture the cultures represented within this collection? Are the subject terms assigned to items in the Queer Graphica Collection accurate and meaningful? These questions are particularly pertinent when we consider that the majority of the individuals working on this project are heterosexual in orientation.

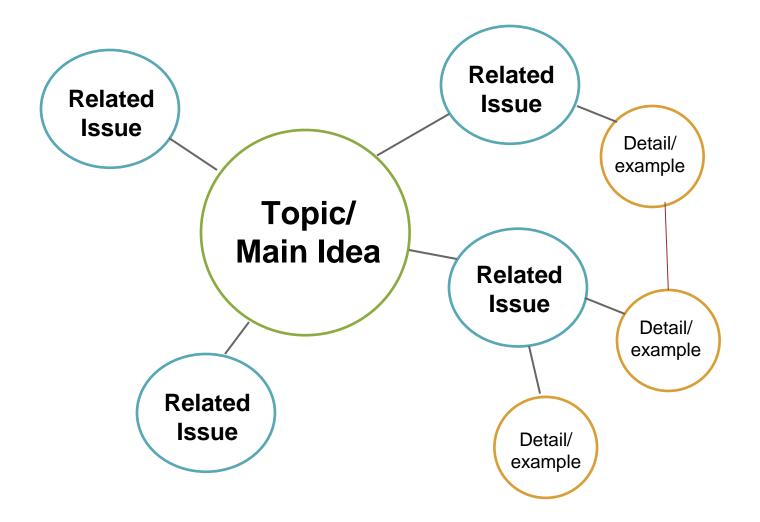
However, just as professional cataloguers work with a wide variety of material that may or may not fall under their subject expertise, we have done our best to assign terms and develop an indexing language that we feel represent the content within each of the items. Even if our work on these collections has not been perfect, we have still achieved our goal of increasing access to the items contained within them



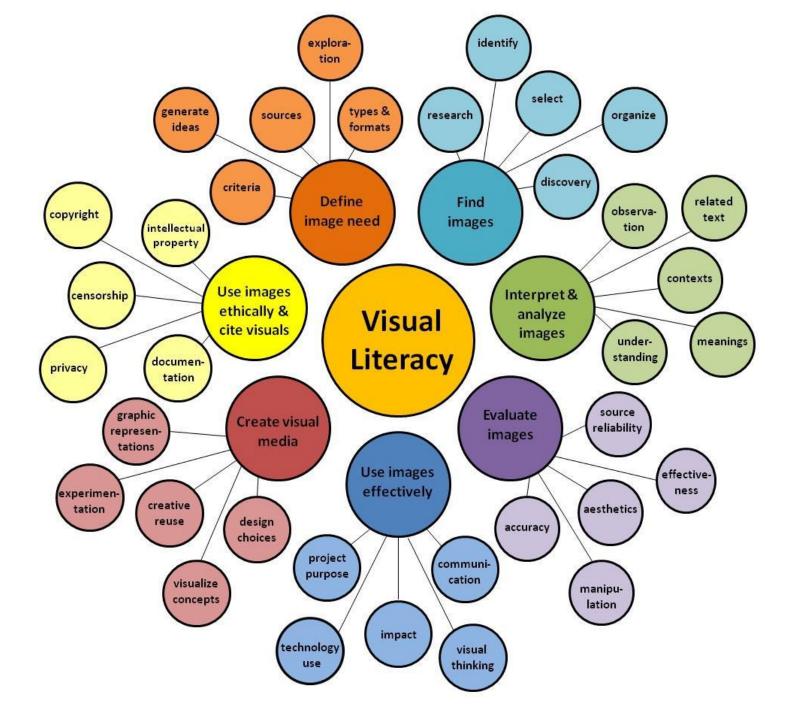


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FOREWORD BY GUY KAWASAKI

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Visual Literacy Standards in Higher Education: New Opportunities for Libraries and Student Learning

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abstract: Visual literacy is essential for 21st century learners. Across the higher education curriculum, students are being asked to use and produce images and visual media in their academic work, and they must be prepared to do so. The Association of College and Research Libraries has published the *Visual Literacy Competency Standards for Higher Education*, which, for the first time, outline specific visual literacy learning outcomes. These *Standards* present new opportunities for libraries to expand their role in student learning through standards-based teaching and assessment, and to contribute to campus-wide collaborative efforts to develop students' skills and critical thinking with regard to visual materials.

Introduction

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Reflection Closing

What is one thing you learned today that you can put into practice?

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