



Community History - Update to Council - October 2025

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- **IslandArchives Migration (C-1, C-2, B-3)**

- The newly migrated [Prince of Wales College: A Legacy](#) site went live on Oct 6
 - Created an [updated project/site background description](#) with images of the progression of site design over the past few migrations (thanks Wayback Machine!)
- Participated in the island archives migration planning meeting with the VRE team for our next Islandora migrations:
 - [PEI Postcard Collections](#) - these are currently on the old [upei.cairnrepo.org](#) site from the [CAIRN project](#), but will be moving over to a collection on Island Archives
 - These collections are interesting as the project team partnered with the Historic PEI Facebook page to crowdsource transcriptions of some of the harder-to-read transcriptions. There may be a project down the road to review the current transcriptions and confirm how much/if any, of the crowd-sourced suggestions have been incorporated into the current metadata, as it is not clear from the project documentation we have.
 - L'nuey Historical Documents Collection - see below for details
 - Will be a collection with a collection description page on Island Archives
 - [Bowing Down Home](#)

- **Ongoing digitization and IslandArchives Projects (B-1, B-2, B-4)**

- L'nuey Historical Documents Collection
 - SLA has been signed by UPEI signer and is with the L'nuey executive team now for review.
 - Waiting on L'nuey to send along the final metadata spreadsheet and PDF files.
 - PARO has been working to rescan a few of the PDFs that did not meet their standards for material shared online from their collection
 - Keltie and Rosie met briefly (thanks Rosie) to review and discuss our approach to metadata and ingest.
 - Creation of the collection and ingest of material is in planning stages (in a bit of a holding pattern until we get the final info from L'nuey).
- Ongoing digitization of material from the PEI collection (thanks to Robyn for her assistance in quality checking these scans as they are completed).
- Ongoing effort to increase our project documentation for the different sites and collections under the Island Archives umbrella.

- Information about the origin of the materials, permissions requirements, contributors, and general project background is spread out over a few different people and locations. Attempting to bring things together a bit in Redmine Wiki Pages (also part of our migration work to document ingest workflows and relevant details in wiki pages).
- Kindred Spaces
 - LMM Bookshelf Project
 - Elizabeth has digitized the books we recently received from the curator, Emily Woster. They are scheduled for addition to the Bookshelf collection in November and December
 - Confirmed with UNB that they are able to digitize a multi-chapter/part story published in a periodical called *Wide Awake*, so that we can have it added to the LMM Bookshelf collection.
 - Juanita and Keltie presented at the [LMM Days Conference](#) put on by the LMM Society of Ontario about a previous UASC and digitization project centered around the [Pensie McNeill letters](#)
- Island Voices
 - Working with historian Alan MacEachern to add a number of oral history interviews to Island Voices. The collection is called Back to the Landers, and it includes interviews with people who moved to the Island in the 1970s from Ontario, Quebec, the US, and elsewhere to live a simpler, off-grid style life.
 - We have completed a test ingest and, once we hear from Alan that everything looks good, we'll proceed with the rest in the coming weeks. You can listen to the interview with David Sobers that we added as a test [here](#).
- Island Imagined
 - We got an email letting us know that we were missing a page out of [the Cummins Atlas](#) (it somehow got missed when we added it originally) - that has been digitized and added to the atlas collection.
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- UASC and External Requests
 - 35 mm slide scanning of materials from UASC collection (completed)
 - UASC - digitization of a few newspapers and a magazine issue
- **Digitization Lab**
 - Rob has been working on creating new lab equipment documentation and user guides for our most-used scanners.
 - Rob is working on identifying gaps in our scanning workflow for our large format/map scanner. Working on documenting the steps for proper colour calibration.
 - Rob has been providing training on our new scanning equipment to our digitization student as well as other staff working in the lab.
 - Sarah Leyennar will be doing some training in the digitization lab (Keltie and Rob will schedule asap)

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