

Northwest Digital Heritage – Working with Wikimedia Pipeline Content

Instructions for Integrating Media

In 2022, the Northwest Digital Heritage hub contributed its first set of public domain images to Wikimedia Commons via the [Digital Public Library of America’s Wikimedia Pipeline](#). This initiative allows for integration of digital collection images into Wikipedia articles while maintaining clear documentation of ownership, links to originating repositories, and descriptions that are continuously updated with subsequent harvests. Below are basic instructions for participating institutions to add their content to Wikipedia.

A video overview of the entire process of adding images to Wikipedia articles can be viewed here: <https://www.screencast.com/t/kuugCT0xU>

1. Create, and log in to, an account for Wikimedia Commons / Wikipedia (can be used across both platforms):
<https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?title=Special:CreateAccount&returnto=Main+Page>
2. Public domain content uploaded from Northwest Digital Heritage partners can be browsed here:
https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Category:Media_contributed_by_Northwest_Digital_Heritage

These results can be narrowed down by holding institution, and then browsed by title. You can also use Ctrl+F to search for specific terms across each page.

To search for specific items or topics, use the Wikimedia Commons search box. However, in order to filter the results to only include content from this hub, do one of the following:

- a. Add the string **incategory:"Media contributed by Northwest Digital Heritage"** to your search query. For example, the following shows a search for “golden potlatch”:

Search media



incategory:"Media contributed by Northwest Digital Heritage" golden potlatch Search

- b. Add the string **haswbstatement:P195=[Wikidata ID]** to your search query. For example, the following shows a search for “horses,” filtered to items contributed only by the Seattle Public Library, which is identified by the string **Q7442157**

Search media

An institution's wikidata id string can be found by searching for that institution's name on Wikidata.org.

Tip: Keep the search strings shown above in a local .txt file or other convenient format for repeated use when working with your Wikimedia content.

NOTE: To learn more about editing Wikipedia, go to: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Help:Introduction>, and pay special attention to the "Images" section as well as the "Manual of Style."


3. Once you find an image that you would like to add to a Wikipedia article:
 - a. Click through to the image's page on Wikimedia Commons and click on the "Use this file" link shown above the image with a Wikipedia logo beside it. Copy the "Thumbnail" Link.
 - b. Navigate to the Wikipedia page you would like to edit and click on "edit source" on the section of that page you would like to edit. This will copy the link shown in wiki markup language.









SINGLE IMAGES: Add the link/code to the section of the Wikipedia page, typically towards the top of the section text. You can include a caption and decide whether the image will float left or right. Here is an example, highlighted to show the various parts of an image link in wiki markup: `[[File:Panorama of Palouse, Washington, circa 1907 - DPLA - 0dd28e106a735b099d9f80dea2f6f2f3.jpg|thumb|left|Panorama of Palouse, Washington, circa 1907]]` Don't forget to include the square brackets and the vertical pipes, and remove mention of the DPLA from the image caption.

GALLERIES: Some Wikipedia pages include multi-image galleries. The Wiki-markup language to use here varies slightly. See image below for example, or the page code at:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Madison_Park_\(Seattle\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Madison_Park_(Seattle))

Editing Madison Park (Seattle) (section)

 Content that violates any copyrights will be deleted. Encyclopedic content must be verifiable through citations to reliable sources.

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B I       > Advanced > Special characters > Help > Cite  
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==Gallery==
{{Gallery
|nborder=yes
|mode=packed
|height=150
|File:Madison Park Theatre, ca. 1900 - DPLA - d6738a5d852d9b0ff879bfd0da1c0ecf.jpg|Madison Park Theatre, ca. 1900
|Image:Madison Park on Lake Washington, circa 1892.JPG|Madison Park, circa 1892, showing steamboat (possibly [[Cyrene
(steamboat)|'Cyrene']] departing
|Image:Madison Park Seattle Washington 1895.jpg|Madison Park circa 1895
|Image:Madisonparkpostcard1907.jpg|Madison Park circa 1907
|Image:Madison Park - 1.jpg|Madison Park in 2004 (with E. Madison Street in the upper-left-hand corner)
}}
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PANORAMIC / WIDE IMAGES: In some cases it makes sense to include panoramic images above or below a block of text. The Wiki-markup language in that case would be:

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{{wide image| File:Panorama of Palouse, Washington, circa 1907 - DPLA - 0dd28e106a735b099d9f80dea2f6f2f3.jpg |700px|Palouse, circa 1907}}
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*For more tips on placing images in Wikipedia articles, see: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Help:Pictures>

4. Find monthly analytics here: <https://glamtools.toolforge.org/baglama2/>
Use Ctrl+F to find each Contributing Institution's name in the list. One can see analytics for all NWDH hub media, or one can look at individual institutions' stats.