Searching for Entities in Islandora

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Step 1: Search Islandora for the Entity.

1. **Type in the name** in the search bar and click on **Search** In this example we will be doing a search for a place.

   ISLANDORA SIMPLE SEARCH:

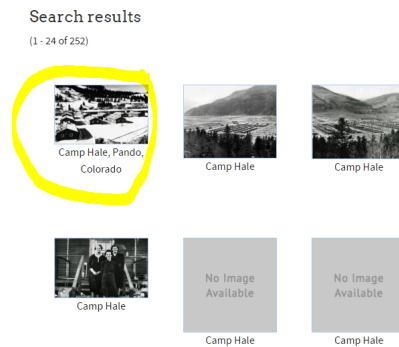 | camp hale | SEARCH |

   My account   Log out

2. You may be given a single result, or more likely a whole set of results. Narrow this list by scrolling down to the **"Facets"** on the left and clicking on **"Islandora Place Content Model".** Notice the additional entity and object "Content Models" available to filter your results:

   Facets

   Model

   - Islandora Large Image Content Model (81)   + -
   - Islandora Page Content Model (11)   + -
   - Islandora Audio Content Model (10)   + -
   - Islandora Internet Archive Book Content Model (7) + -
   - Islandora Person Content Model (7)   + -
   - Islandora Compound Object Content Model (2)
   - Islandora Organization Content Model (2)   + -   + -
   - Islandora Place Content Model (2)   + -
   - Islandora Event Content Model (1)   + -

1.

3. Scan through the list and if you think you **found a match**, **click on the image** to go to the record.

Search results

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Camp Hale, Pando, Colorado

Camp Hale

Camp Hale

Camp Hale

No Image Available

Camp Hale

No Image Available

Camp Hale

4. You will know that you have found a record for an Entity if it looks like one of the following:

A Place would look like this

Camp Hale, Pando, Colorado

View   Manage

Details

Details	
Title	Camp Hale, Pando, Colorado
Creator	
Subject	Camp Hale (Colo.)
Description	
Publisher	
Contributor	
Date	
Type	
Format	
Identifier	place:88
Source	

2.

A Person would look like this

Rudolf Ernst "Rudi" Schnackenberg

View   Manage

BIOGRAPHY

Name

Email

An Event would look like this

Steamboat Springs Winter Carnival

View   Manage

Details

Details

Title	Steamboat Springs Winter Carnival
Creator	
Subject	
Description	
Publisher	
Contributor	
Date	
Type	
Format	
Identifier	event:156
Source	

3.

An Organization would look like this:

Tread of Pioneers Museum

View   Manage

Details

Name

Date

Historical Note

URL

Parent
school/faculty

For each entity that you add to an Islandora form you will need the **Title** and the **Identifier**. For Places and Events, this information is on the display screen for that record. For people and organizations you will need to do the following to get the same information:

    a. Click on **Manage**

Rudolf Ernst "Rudi" Schnackenberg

View   Manage

BIOGRAPHY

    b. Click on **Datastreams**

Rudolf Ernst "Rudi" Schnackenberg

View   Manage

Overview   Datastreams   Properties   Compound

4.

c. The **title** and the **identifier** are listed at the top of the table.

It is advisable to have multiple tabs of Islandora open. One tab would have the interview or oral history form open and the other would be used for searching and adding entities. Once an entity is found or added, the necessary information can be copied and pasted into the entity field on the form.

The key is to find a workflow that works for you.

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Alternate Step: Search the Catalog (OPAC/PIKA) for the Entity.

There is another means of finding any entity's PID. Created entities always appear in the catalog (OPAC/PIKA), so a search there can render the necessary information.

1. **Type in the name** in the search bar, and click on **GO** in "Local Digital Archive". In this example we will be doing a search for a place.
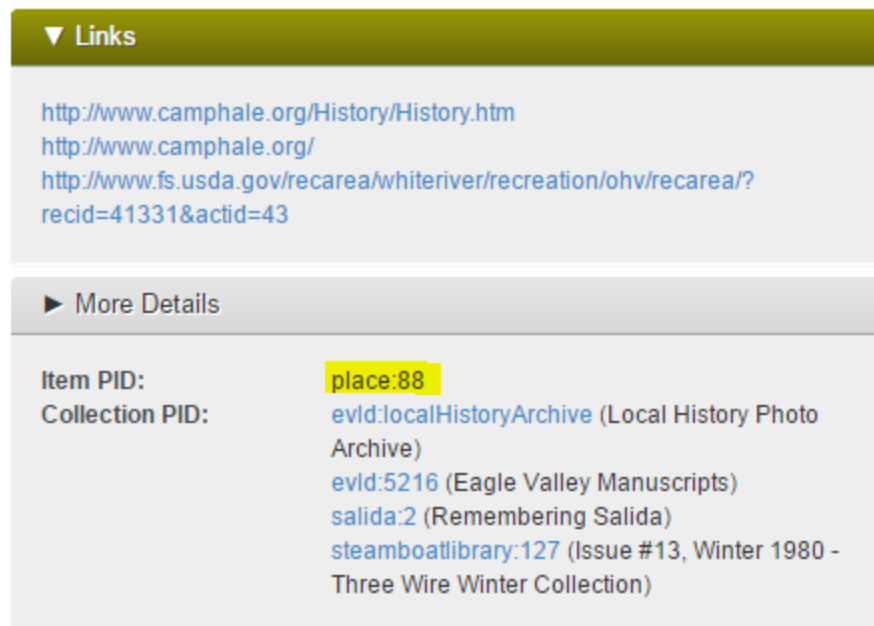

2. Once you have found the correct entity, scroll to the bottom of the page and open the "More Details" section.