IIIF & the Digital Public Library of America

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DPLA as cultural heritage aggregator

- 10,000,000+ items aggregated from US libraries, archives, and museums
- 27+ “Hubs” (primary partners); 2 of which are IIIF implementors (ARTstor and Digital Commonwealth)
- 1,600+ contributing institutions
DPLA: more than an aggregation

- Core service: CH metadata aggregation over 21 million hits in past 6 months
- 57% traffic via portal; 43% through API*
- Support of open, community sustaining work
- Facilitate re-use: collections and code
From Sprint to Long Distance: Evaluating User Experience

- Room for improvement
- Confusion about getting to content
- Too many clicks to get to content
- Various image viewers
Primary motivations for implementation of IIIF

- Promotion and support for open standards
- Improving usability and delivery
- Lowering bar for image reuse both within and outside DPLA
- Annotation model provides new opportunities for DPLA
Implementation concerns

- Representation of IIIF resources in DPLA Metadata Application Profile
- UX consistency for IIIF and non-IIIF resources
- Impact of IIIF on Hubs’ use statistics/guidance on analytics
- Provision of hosted IIIF services
Thanks!

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