

Need something to do?

1. Register in the lobby (bottom of staircase) to get your wireless access code.
 2. Sign up for a free basic Omeka.net account if you haven't already:
 - omeka.net/signup
 3. Download our example files:
 - digitalliterature.net/workshops/files.zip
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Zero to Archive
in Sixty Seconds:
An Omeka Workshop
for Textual Scholars

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Workshop Schedule

1. Definitions: What does Omeka do?
2. Tasks with Omeka.net
3. Omeka.org = Omeka+ (Four Omeka Editing Tools)
4. Free sandbox time and questions



omeka

Definitions
Omeka.net
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Free Time

Omeka

- Content Management System = divide and conquer
- Tell stories through collections of digital media
- A digital museum?

The screenshot shows the Omeka website homepage. At the top, there is a dark red header with the Omeka logo (a white square containing a golden spiral) and the word "omeka" in white lowercase letters. To the right of the logo is a search bar with the text "Search Omeka.org" and a "Search" button. Below the header is a navigation menu with links: "Showcase", "Get Involved", "Add-Ons", "Forums", "Documentation", and "Download".

The main content area features four light green boxes with the following text:

- Serious Web Publishing**
- Cost-Effective Design**
- Flexible and Extensible**
- Free and Open Source**

The "Serious Web Publishing" section is expanded, showing the following text:

Serious Web Publishing

Create complex narratives and share rich collections, adhering to Dublin Core standards with Omeka on your server, designed for scholars, museums, libraries, archives, and enthusiasts. [Learn More](#)

Below this text is a dark red button with a white download icon and the text "Download Omeka" and "Linux, Apache, MySQL, PHP5".

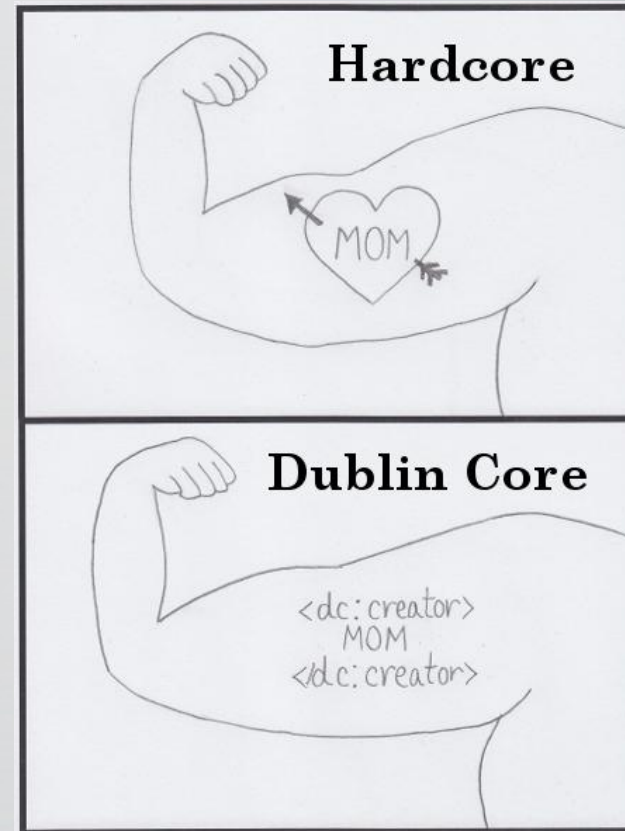
To the right of the text is a screenshot of the Omeka administration interface, showing various management options like "Manage items in your archive", "Manage collections in your archive", and "Add and manage users of various levels".

At the bottom of the page, there are two sections: "Omeka in Action" and "News". The "News" section has the title "Updates for popular addons" and the date "May 22, 2012".

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Metadata

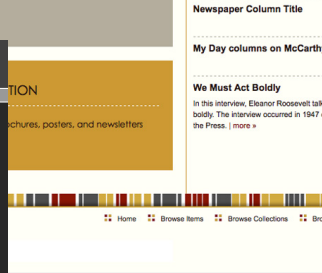
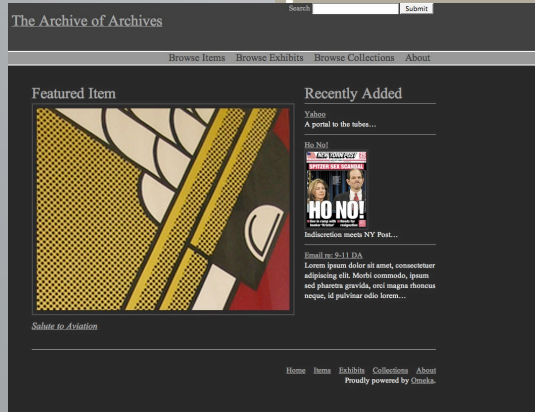
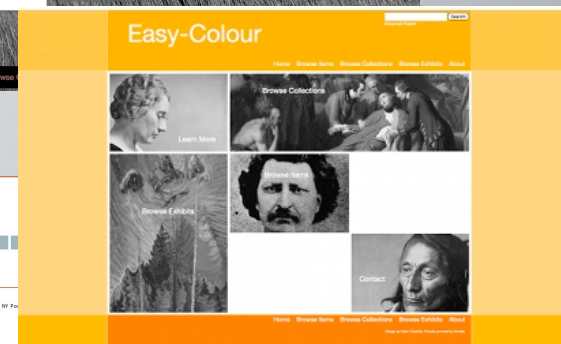
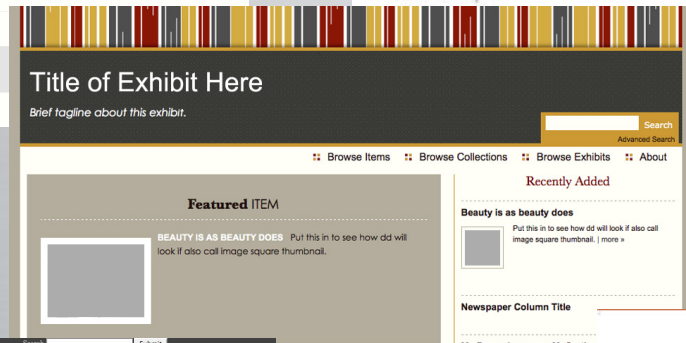
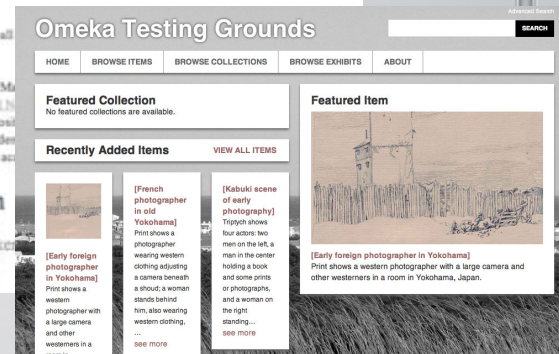
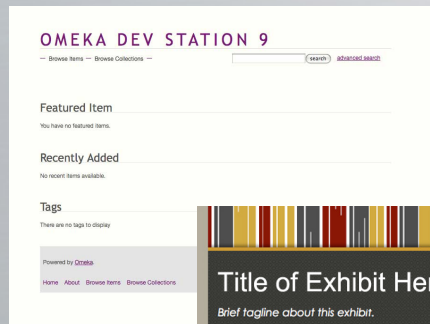
- Standards for describing aspects of our data (media)
- Dublin Core = Omeka's chosen standard



From derangementanddescription.wordpress.com/2009/07/13/core-values/

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Themes



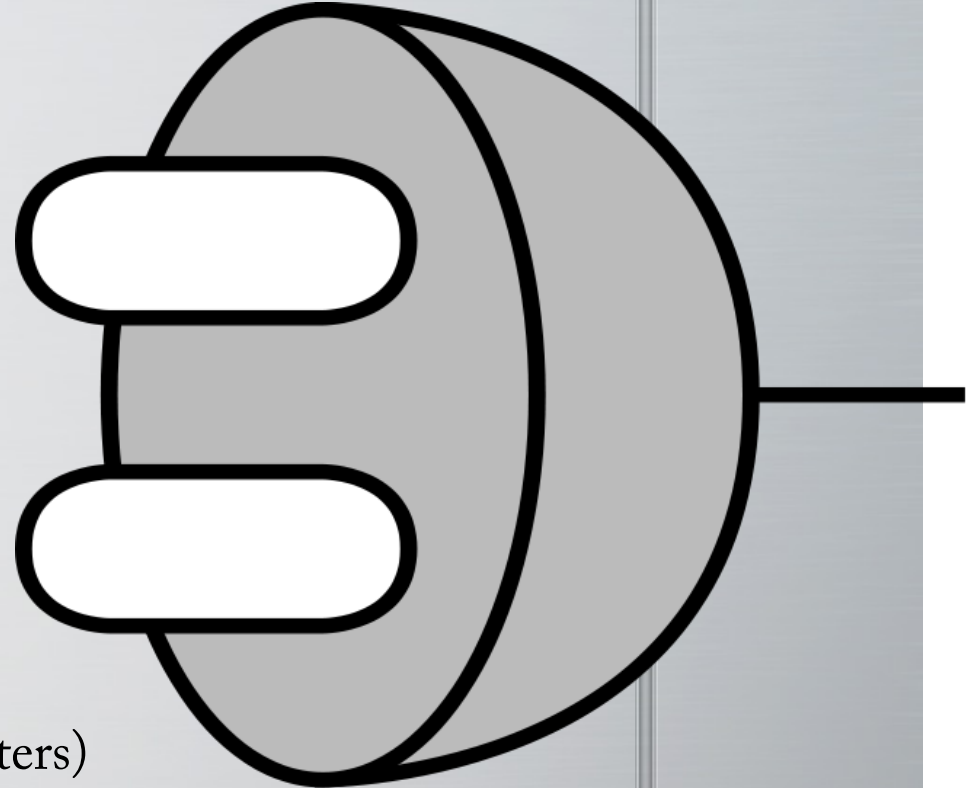
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Plugins

- Commenting
- Contributions
- Import data (**CSV**, EAD...)
- **PDF viewer (Docs Viewer)**
- **Geolocation**
- HTML5
- MyOmeka (user logins, favorites, posters)
- Timeline
- ... and more

***bold** = available on Omeka.net*

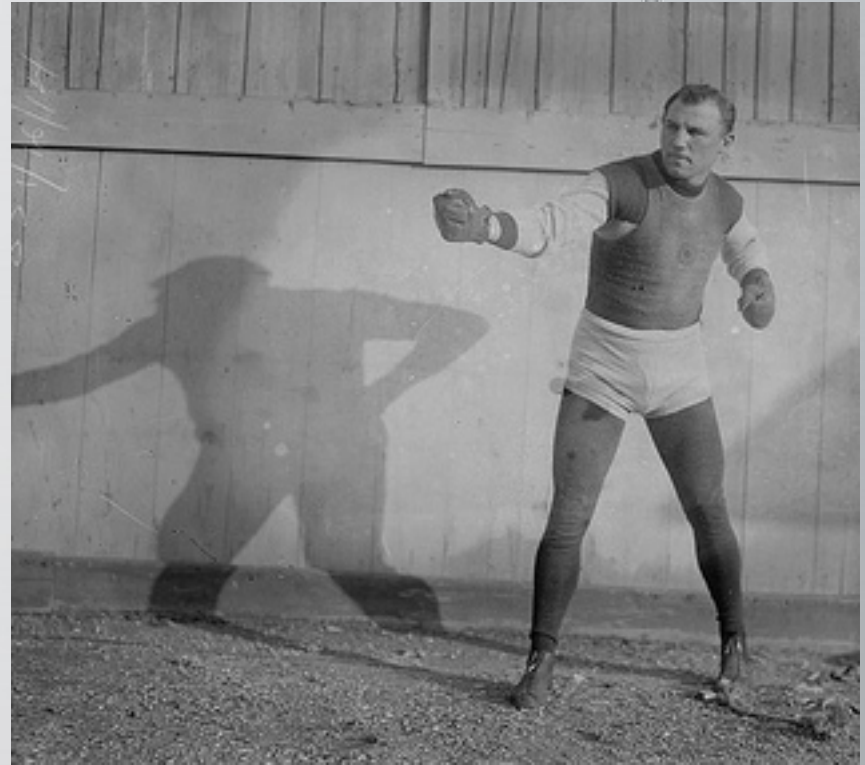
(see <http://goo.gl/Qcs5I> for full comparison chart)



Let's whip these items into shape!

- Items
- Collections (organize)
- Exhibits (organize, layout, narrative)
- Tags

- Simple Pages



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Omeka: *yes* or no?

- Collections and archives
- Digital files
- Pedagogy
- Gateway to digital skills
- Crowdsourcing and participatory design

Omeka: yes or **no**?

- Basic sites
- Not a collection
- Out-of-the-box, extremely traditional editions
- Digital asset management
- No guaranteed IT support

Omeka: alternatives

- Hybrid sites
- Omeka and Fedora Commons
- Drupal



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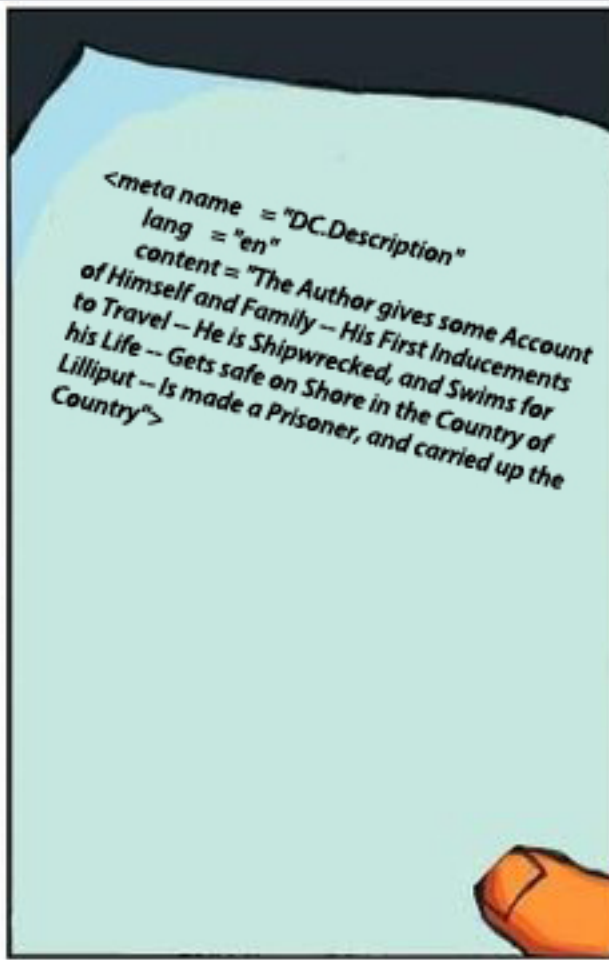
Omeka.net versus .org

- Hosting?
- **.Net:** Free hosting, restrictions on look and function
- **.Org:** Self-hosted but fully customizable
 - Non-profits, check out [wiki.dreamhost.com/Non-profit Discount](http://wiki.dreamhost.com/Non-profit_Discount)
- Comparison chart: <http://goo.gl/Qcs5I>

The end line: Why Omeka?

- Choose three: cheap, fairly easy to learn, powerful
- Focus on your content
- Create social texts
- Teach editing, media studies, digital humanities skills...
- Self-publish

Examples...



Dublin Core needn't be alarming...

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Free time & questions

- Browse example sites, plugin list (e.g. Image Annotation)
- Browse the Omeka documentation (Omeka.org)
- Play around with Omeka.net
 - Update the site settings
 - Play with other themes and plugins
 - Create an exhibit (activate Exhibit Builder plugin)
 - Activate the Doc Viewer & check out the PDF item!
- Try out the Scripto demo site:
 - scripto.org/omeka/scripto
- Questions: Omeka use and project ideas
- Future questions?
 - Omeka.org forum, documentation and recipes, and Google Group development listserv