37-	Webliography 37
01	16th- Early 20th Century Maps of Africa  This site features digital copies of 113 antique maps of Africa and accompanying text dating from the mid 16th Century to the early 20th Century. All scanned maps are authentic and originally collected by the Melville J. Herskovits Library of African Studies (or the Africana Library) at Northwestern University. Website
02	African Online Digital Library  Based at Michigan State University, the African Online Digital Library (AODL) is "a portal to multimedia collections about Africa." A collaborative project between MATRIX, the Center for Digital Humanities and Social Sciences, the African Studies Center, and universities and cultural heritage organizations in Africa, the site boasts sixteen distinct collections of videos, documentaries, images, and other multimedia resources. Whether readers start with a collection of video interviews with Muslim men and women in "Everyday Islam in Kumasi" (Ghana) or let their interest gravitate to the Community Video Education Trust where there are more than 90 hours of video documenting South African political activities in the 1980s and 1990s, there will be plenty here to edify and inform. Other topics include a series of podcasts on Africa Past & Present, a collection of African Oral Narratives, and many others. <i>I. S.</i>
03	American Academy of Arts & Sciences: Resources for the Humanities and Social Sciences  This list of Resources for the Humanities and Social Sciences from the American Academy of Arts and Sciences Commission on the Humanities and Social Sciences will keep educators and knowledge lovers busy for many gratifying hours. The page is divided into ten categories, including Major Reports, Governmental Organizations, Online Resources and Archives, Social Sciences Resources, Online Toolkits, and others. Beneath each category, the listed links take readers to sundry sites from around the web, including everything from the American Statistical Association to the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History to a 1980 Rockefeller Foundation Report on the Humanities in American Life. Whether one is an educator looking for primary resources and humanities-related inspirations, or a lover of the social sciences seeking a wider purview of online resources, this list will repay investments of time and interest. <i>I. S.</i>
04	American Experience: New Orleans  Companion to a February 2007 documentary about the history and people of New Orleans, featuring material about New Orleans jazz, Mardi Gras, gumbo, the Pickwick Club during the Civil War reconstruction period, desegregation, Hurricane Katrina, New Orleans writers, and more. Includes a map, Mardi Gras image gallery, timeline, teacher's guide, and video of the program. LII
05	Annenberg Classroom: Resources for Excellent Civics Education  This Annenberg Classroom site starts with a well-informed curriculum about the American Constitution and its amendments, and then links those topics to daily civics news, student discussions, and a host of other interactive, ever-developing current events-based education. On the site, readers may like to start with the Knowledge section, which is divided into The Constitution, The Congress, The Presidency, The Courts, and State & Local. Within each category, subcategories fill out the picture. For instance, under the Constitution tab, readers will find a 25-minute documentary about the Supreme Court decision Miranda v. Arizona, which first required police officers to read suspects their Fifth and Sixth Amendment rights. In addition, the Speak Out section features articles that articulate public policy debates, and then invites students to Join the Discussion. <i>I. S.</i>

06	Archaeology for the Public: Resources for Educators  Hosted by the Society of American Archaeology (SAA), Archaeology for the Public hopes to make the practice and study of archaeology accessible to all. The Resources for Educators section, featured here, is especially edifying. Readers may like to start with the Archaeology for Educators area, which provides educators with an overview of the field and offers a few hands-on and interactive activities for students. Eleven other areas follow; topics include K-12 Archaeology Programs Developed By Educators, Archaeology Career Information, and Artifact Study Kits & Reproductions, among others. Each topic features several helpful resources, such as lesson plans, activities, and links to other sites around the web. I. S.
07	Avoice: African American Voices in Congress  This site was "designed to capture and preserve the rich history of political and legislative contributions of blacks for future generations. This virtual online library is a central source of information about historical and contemporary African American policy issues." Features exhibits on the history of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC), the Voting Rights Act of 1965, the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday, and related topics. Developed by the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation. LII
08	Becoming Richard Pryor  Richard Pryor, the stand-up comic and actor, has been called "The Picasso of our profession" (Jerry Seinfeld) and "the seminal comedian of the last 50 years" (Bob Newhart). His life, however, was defined by tragedy, drug addiction, and violence. This website created under the supervision of Pryor's biographer, Scott Saul, examines Pryor's early years in Peoria, Illinois, where he grew up in his family's brothel. While the site revolves around Pryor, the designers do a wonderful job bringing mid-century Peoria to life, with stories of family, segregation, organized crime, and much more. Readers may like to start with Pryor's biography, which is located in the More section. From there, it is fascinating to browse the People, Places, Eras, and Themes that provide the context for the man. Teachers of 20th century history with an interest in race, segregation, and the arts will find much to explore here, as will anyone with a love of hard-hitting comedy. IS
09	Benjamin Franklin: An Extraordinary Life, An Electric Mind  Companion to this 2002 documentary series that explored Benjamin Franklin's "career from humble beginnings in Boston to international superstardom: first as a scientist and revolutionary, and then as a founding father and America's first diplomat to France." Features essays, a timeline, "Ben A to Z," a teacher's guide, and more. From Twin Cities Public Television. <i>IPL</i>
10	Botanical Society of America  Founded in 1893, the membership of the Botanical Society of America now includes scientists from around the world. The organization's website includes a number of excellent resources for plant lovers. For instance, selecting the Botany Conference area opens a draw down bar with abstracts from 15 years of presentations, programs, and conference sessions. The News section includes frequently posted articles on everything from conference updates to calls for proposals to announcements for new online tools. In addition, the Resources area includes a host of helpful links and information, including information on parasitic plants, a statement on evolution, and a list of excellent suggested websites. IS

# Building the Knowledge Base for Climate Resiliency: New York Panel on Climate Change 2015 Report

With the bulk of scientific articles and reports placed behind a paywall, it's always a welcome gift when good research is made available for free. This report on the New York Panel on Climate Change 2015 is loaded with excellent information - and it's free and available to anyone with an Internet connection. As the introduction to the report notes, "The climate of the New York City metropolitan region is changing - annual temperatures are hotter, heavy downpours are increasingly frequent, and the sea is rising." The rest of the report includes a knowledgeable forward by Mayor Bill de Blasio, an executive summary on the findings of the panel, an article outlining the panel's climate observations and projections, and chapters on sea level rise, coastal storms, coastal flooding, public health impacts, and conclusions and recommendations. For inspired readers, there are also appendices to the report that feature infographics and technical details. *I. S.* 

# 12 BurmaNet News

BurmaNet News is an online news resource dedicated to providing coverage on the latest events, information, and opinions on Burma (Myanmar) published by media outlets from around the world. The country has gone through profound changes since BurmaNet News was founded in 2004. For instance, an article from July of that year (published in the Washington Post), focused its attention on the house arrest of Nobel Prize Laureate Aung San Suu Kyi, which went on for over a decade. These days, recent articles have examined the restrictions on the press that are still in place, among other topics. On the site, readers may like to start with the latest articles, which are organized by chronological order on the landing page, then delve deep into the extensive archives to find thousands of reports or subscribe to the listserv. *IS*.

#### 13 Chasing Crusoe/Buscado a Crusoe

This "multimedia documentary ... examines the lives and times of the mythical Robinson Crusoe and the Scottish sailor Alexander Selkirk, whose marooning is thought by many to be the inspiration for Daniel Defoe's classic novel." In English and Spanish. A project from "students from the School of Journalism and Mass Communication at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a team of visiting students from Universidad de los Andes in Santiago, Chile." *LII* 

#### 14 Civil Rights Data Collection

The Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) has been collecting vast swaths of data about "key education and civil rights issues" in schools around the country every other year since 1968. The results are available on this fact-filled website, which will come as a boon to data lovers, education researchers, teachers, principals, and others with an interest in how the United States has faired in its attempts to make its school systems more equitable and inclusive. There are a number of ways to search the site. Readers may like to start with the School & District Search. Here they may choose a school name, school district, city, street address, or other information to access detailed and specific data on Student Enrollment, Staffing and Finance, and other fields. *IS*.

### 15 Coastal Flood Risks

This informative subset of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) website offers a profusion of material on coastal flood risks in the continental United States. The various maps, charts, and articles may be scouted by interest group (Homeowners, Community Officials, Industry Professionals, etc.) or by geographic region (Atlantic, Pacific, Great Lakes, and Gulf of Mexico. In addition, readers may access dozens of brochures, fact sheets, case studies, catalogs, and other flood-related resources under the Coastal Flood Risk Resources tab. The brochure, "Local Strategies for Addressing Climate Change," is an excellent overview of flood risk strategies and can be found under the Case Studies section in the Coastal Flood Risk Resources tab. *I. S.* 

# 16 Community Service Society Photographs

With almost 1,400 images ranging from the 1880s to the 1950s, the Community Service Society Photographs at Columbia University's Rare Book & Manuscript Library "offer representations of urban poverty, unsafe tenement housing, inadequate hygiene in public areas, and other pressing social issues in late-19th and early-20th century New York." Readers may like to begin with the Featured Topics tab, where they can explore the collection through categories such as Children, Girls, Boys, Women, Men, Interiors, Buildings, House Furnishings, and Streets. In addition, the Places tab offers images from over two dozen locations, with the bulk of them orbiting the Lower East Side, Red Hook, Saugerties, and Little Italy. Readers may also scout the dozens of Topics, which include everything from Abandoned Buildings to Memorials to Plumbing. *I. S.* 

### Constitution Finder

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"This database offers constitutions, charters, amendments, and other related documents [for countries around the world]. Nations of the world are linked to their constitutional text posted somewhere on the Internet." Browsable by country. Includes links to texts in languages other than English. From the University of Richmond School of Law. *LII* 

### Crime in the United States: 2013

It has become a truism that we live in an age of information. However, the true scale of the data currently available to the average citizen can still inspire some measure of awe. Such may be the experience when scouting the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)'s crime website, which features a staggering array of crime statistics from around the country. Here readers may examine the statistics for violent crime, property crime, and clearances (cases that are closed due to an arrest). They can also look up hate crime statistics and read about law enforcement officers who were killed or assaulted. And they can do all of this by state, city, or even small town. In addition, the Frequently Asked Questions section provides answers to such quandaries as How many police officers are employed in my city? and Are more people murdered by a stranger or by someone they know? *I. S.* 

#### 19 Digital, Bodleian

Launched in July of 2015, the Digital.Bodleian website created quite the buzz amongst librarians, historians, and other communities invested in increasing access to cultural heritage online. While Oxford University's Bodleian Library has been digitizing parts of their amazing collections for almost 20 years, the results were either spread across separate project websites or accessible only by visiting the library in person. Digital.Bodleian changes all that, bringing together more than 115,000 high-resolution images of books, manuscripts, maps, and more in one gorgeous interface. From the main page, users may either begin by searching the entire site by keyword, or by browsing through collections on topics ranging from Kalighat Paintings to The Entomologist's Useful Compendium to the medieval Gough Map. Collections can also be filtered by types, including Early Printed Books, Maps, and Ephemera, as well as broad topics, such as History and Politics, and Science and Natural History. With features that allow users to curate their own collections, add notes and tags to individual images, share via social media, and even export images and metadata from the collection, expert researchers and curious amateurs alike will have plenty of reasons to revisit this growing resource. *I. S.* 

#### 20 Disarmament Education: United Nations Office of Disarmament Affairs

The Disarmament Education site from the United Nations Office of Disarmament Affairs can be read and experienced in six languages. And that's just the beginning of the impressive depth and reach of the material presented here. Readers will find annual reports from the Secretary-General on Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Education, pithy presentations such as Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon's slide show, "The world is over-armed and peace is under-funded," and podcasts addressing issues of disarmament and peace. Educators may be particularly drawn to the section titled For Teachers and Students, which links to educational sites around the web, such as Tutorials on Nuclear Non-Proliferation and the Non-Proliferation Treaty. For anyone interested in the international peace movement, time spent on this site will pay dividends. *I. S.* 

# 21 Edible Geography

With posts dating back to August 2009, Edible Geography is one of the web's best and oldest food blogs. Meticulously researched, the spunky, erudite entries will please most anyone interested in the history, art, science, and pleasures of everyday and exotic comestibles. Recent posts have delved into restaurant menu museum exhibits, "fourth-wave, post-globalization, micro-batch salt," and the wonders and horrors of a giant bread factory. Diving further back, Nicola Twilley, the brains behind the site, has blogged about the canners of New York City, the shape of Chicken McNuggets, the intricacies of banana shipping, and just about every other topic anyone could think of related to food. All in all, the mix of food and culture will give readers much to digest and enjoy. *I. S.* 

#### 22 Election Information

Through the ebb and flow of elections, American news outlets are rife with stories of presidential contenders. For secondary educators looking for compelling ways to present the workings of electoral politics in the United States, and for university faculty and staff who would like to engage students in the political process, this site from Rock the Vote is an excellent resource. Readers may like to begin with the interactive map, which provides detailed, state-by-state information about voting. Next, the Rock the Vote blog elucidates issues that are important to millennials, including college debt, same day voter registration, online voter registration, and other topics. Finally, the Polling & Research tab hosts links to research of interest to young people from around the web. *I.* 

### 23 Farm Sanctuary

The mission of Farm Sanctuary is "To protect farm animals from cruelty, inspire change in the way society views and treats farm animals, and promote compassionate vegan living." Besides adopting and rescuing animals in three different locations around the country, and advocating for better animal welfare laws, the organization also hosts a site that is packed with information about factory farming and the alternatives. Most of the information can be found under the Learn tab, where readers may scout articles about the factory farming of chickens, pigs, cows, turkeys, sheep, and goats, as well as read about the impact of factory farming on the environment, human health, and rural communities. The Educational Literature section also includes several downloadable pamphlets about alternatives, such as meat-free foods and vegan recipes.

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#### 24 Flora Delaterre: The Plant Detective

When Montana Public Radio and the University of Montana School of Pharmacy teamed up in 1996 to create a radio show about medicinal plants, no one ever dreamed that the popularity would spread so far. But over time Flora Delaterre, the Plant Detective, became a small sensation, reaching listeners around the United States, Canada, and even the Philippines. Episodes are just 1.5-minutes long, and were recorded "from locations as far-flung as Sri Lanka and Siberia, the Appalachian Mountains and the rainforests of the Northwest, research labs and your own backyard." Dozens of them can be accessed in the Audiofile Archive on the website, where plants are listed in alphabetical order, from Aconite to Yucca. *I. S.* 

#### Free Computer Tutorials at GCFLearnFree

The Goodwill Community Foundation (GCF) offers numerous online courses as a way to help users learn the essential skills needed for living and working in the 21st century. Here, readers will find a compendium of courses designed specifically for users who don't quite feel comfortable in the world of Computers. Each course is broken down into easily understandable lessons. Readers may progress at their own pace, building knowledge along the way. Courses include Computer Basics, a Mouse Tutorial, a Typing Tutorial, Internet 101, Internet Safety, and others. The Internet Safety course is an especially helpful tool. In it readers learn about passwords, how to spot email spam, strategies for staying safe while browsing, the do's and don'ts of financial transactions, and even how to deal with online harassment. In all, the lessons on the site can serve readers who are complete newcomers to the world of computers, as well as those hoping to hone their skills. *IS*.

26	Frontiers in Psychiatry  Frontiers in Psychiatry is an academic accomplishment: a high quality, peer-reviewed, open access journal publishing the most outstanding discoveries in the world of psychiatry. Here readers may peruse cutting edge articles in 15 different sections, including Addictive Disorders and Behavioral Dyscontrol, Eating Behavior, Molecular Psychiatry, Neuropharmacology, and others. Over 700 full-length articles make up the well-stocked Archive, including recent publications on a community-based health program for abused children in Brazil, breakthroughs in understanding Tourette Syndrome, and video games for mental health and well-being. Searching for topics of interest is easy and detailed. For instance, "bipolar" returns 22 Articles, 100 Authors, and 11 Research Topics. <i>IS</i> .
27	GrantSpace  For anyone engaged in the world of education, research, or nonprofits, grant writing can be a fact of daily life. However, becoming a powerful and effective grant writer is a continually evolving process, requiring timely information and the latest in techniques and inspirations. GrantSpace, with its array of "easy-to-use, self-service tools and resources," can be an excellent support for both experienced and apprentice grant writers. While some of the resources on the site require a sign up, there is plenty to peruse without any commitment, including webinars, multimedia tools, and podcasts, which can mostly be found in the Training and Tools tabs, as well as a frequently updated and well-informed blog that covers the latest in the wide world of grant writing. <i>I. S.</i>
28	Guide to Research: Declassified Documents  This research guide provides links to sources for learning about and obtaining copies of formerly classified U.S. government documents. Topics include the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and federal government websites. Also includes a link to Executive Order 12958, under which thousands of pages of documents were declassified at the end of 2006. Although some sources are only available to Georgetown University students, most are available to the general public. From Georgetown University Libraries. <i>IPL</i>
29	Harvard Open Collections Program  For nearly four centuries, Harvard's libraries, archives, and museums have developed extraordinary collections that reflect the scope and the breadth of the University's world-renowned academic programs. In 2002, Harvard began to open an online window on those resources through the Open Collections Program (OCP). OCP has created six subject-specific, web-accessible collections that can support teaching and learning around the world. Today, OCP collections account for over 2.3 million digitized pages, including more than 225,000 manuscript pages. Website
30	Holy Land Maps  Collection of over 1,000 maps of the Holy Land in Israel from the 15th century through the 1920s. Browsable by author, year, or by location, such as Bethlehem, Nazareth, and Tel Aviv. Also includes links to related sites. In English and Hebrew. From the Eran Laor Cartographic Collection, Jewish National and University Library. Note: detailed views may not be available in all browsers.   LII
31	Homeroom: The Official Blog of the U.S. Department of Education  As the official blog of the U.S. Department of Education, Homeroom addresses dozens of issues with multiple posts every week. Some of the posts are primarily text-based, others lean heavily on well-developed graphs, charts, and other graphics, and still others include videos about programs, teachers, students, and communities. Homeroom can be scouted via an efficient search function. Readers may also like to peruse the offerings by scrolling through the several dozen categories, which cover College Completion, Success Stories, Headlines, Interviews, and many others. Recent stories have included a graphically oriented narrative about the progress of the Elementary and Secondary Act, and an educator's account of her time at Edcamp, a conference that brings together teachers from around the nation to discuss problems and solutions in today's educational environments. <i>I. S.</i>

32	How Internet Search Engines Work  Describes how search engines find information, using software called robots (spiders) to gather words and notes and build an index. Discusses meta tags, ranking, and how an index may be built. Includes diagrams. From How Stuff Works. <i>IPL</i>
33	Humanitarian Tracker  Humanitarian Tracker seeks to support humanitarian causes by connecting and empowering citizens through innovative technologies. In essence, the site provides "tools, methods, and training" to citizen journalists so that anyone anywhere can report what they see and hear during periods of conflict, natural disasters, or other extreme situations. Then Humanitarian Tracker verifies the reports and makes them public. One of Humanitarian Tracker's interesting Projects is Syria Tracker, featured on the home page, which tracks the number of casualties in the ongoing civil war in Syria using a number of salient categories. For instance, readers can track casualties by male, female, age group, manner of death, location, and other criteria. Maps and graphs make the story visual. While the content is not pleasant, it is useful for understanding the human toll of global issues. IS.
34	Immigration to the United States, 1789-1930 Immigration to the United States, 1789-1930, is a web-based collection of historical materials from Harvard's libraries, archives, and museums that documents voluntary immigration to the United States from the signing of the Constitution to the onset of the Great Depression. Concentrating heavily on the 19th century, Immigration to the US includes over 400,000 pages from more than 2,200 books, pamphlets, and serials, over 9,600 pages from manuscript and archival collections, and more than 7,800 photographs. By incorporating diaries, biographies, and other writings capturing diverse experiences, the collected material provides a window into the lives of ordinary immigrants. Website
35	INTECH  Open access enables scientific research papers to be published online and made accessible to anyone with no restrictions and at no cost. By making information freely available in this way, open access accelerates research and learning. At the same time, it increases the visibility, usage and impact of authors' work. This publishing model also removes permission barriers: unrestricted use of all published material is made possible thanks to flexible intellectual property regulations for authors.  I. S.
36	It's No Laughing Matter: Analyzing Political Cartoons  Political cartoons can be sophisticated, incisive, and, above all, persuasive. What is it that makes these commentarial artworks so impactful? This activity from the Library of Congress is designed to bring the nuts and bolts of political cartoons to life in the classroom, offering up a number of representative works and analyzing their contents. Readers may like to start with the overview before moving onto About This Activity, which clarifies a few basic constructs before outlining how to integrate the activity into the classroom. The Cartoon Analysis Guide outlines the key elements of a well-composed political cartoon, such as symbolism, exaggeration, labeling, analogy, and irony. Of special interest, the Learn More About Political Cartoons section features audio commentary on several classic cartoons, courtesy of Sara W. Duke, of the Library of Congress Prints & Photographs Division. IS.
37	Jerry Garcia  In his decades of musical engagements, Jerry Garcia played 3,947 shows with 27 bands and over 77 musicians. This giant site chronicles the "long strange trip" of Jerry's musical, professional, and personal lives. Readers may like to begin with Jerry's Story, a visually appealing timeline that narrates the musician's fascination with rock and roll from an early age, as well as his brief stint in the army (he was discharged for "lack of suitability"), and his decades on the road. The Shows tab relates hundreds of shows that Jerry played with the Grateful Dead and other bands, complete with set lists, photos, links to lyrics, and other fascinating minutiae. Inside the Vault, readers can explore a lifetime's worth of photos, videos, posters, concert tickets, and artwork. I. S.

38	Knitting - Victoria and Albert Museum  The Victoria and Albert Museum in London is often considered one of the world's leading art and design museums. Established in 1852, the institution's collections span two millennia of art in a variety of mediums, including diverse holdings related to textiles. It should come as no surprise that the knitting page on the museum's website offers a plush resource for knitting enthusiasts. Articles on the page address such topics as the regional knitting practices of the British Isles, 1940s knitting patterns, and an interview with textile artist Freddie Robins among others. In addition, readers may like to follow the links to knitting blogs, knitting websites, the knitting reading list, and related interviews and artist profiles.  IS.
39	Knowing Poe This classroom guide features details about the literature, life, and times of writer Edgar Allan Poe. Features a timeline, video clips, primary source documents, lesson plans, and related resources. Includes a bibliography and a list of Poe sites (museum, gravesite, and more) in the Baltimore, Maryland, region. From Maryland Public Television. <i>IPL</i>
40	Land, Air & Sea  Website for this virtual museum dedicated to alternative vehicles, including "flying cars, amphibious aeroplanes, amphibious cars, hovercraft, submarines and ATV's." The exhibits section features descriptions and images of vehicles such as the "Yellow Submarine," and the "Amfibidiver," a "twin seat machine, that drives on land, floats like a boat and dives like a submarine." LII
41	Larry Keenan  Official website for internationally noted San Francisco Bay Area photographer Larry Keenan. The site features examples of his photos of topics such as the Beat Generation (Neal Cassady and Allen Ginsberg), 1960s and 1970s counterculture (San Francisco Human Be-In in January 1967, and student protests), City Lights bookstore, and more. <i>LII</i>
42	Library of Congress: Railroad Maps, 1828-1900  The history of 19th century America is, among other dynamics, a story of railroads. The burgeoning American rail network expanded the nascent country's economy, connected the coasts, and contributed to colonial dominance of Native lands. It was, in fact, one of the central concerns of both the federal and state governments for a number of decades. This site is packed with teacher-ready resources about how the railroads developed and their impact on various aspects of American life. While the heart of the site revolves around using the 634 primary source materials that make up the Railroad Maps, 1828-1900 collection, the informative write up also covers five broad topics, including Railroad Transportation, Military Campaigns, Westward Expansion, Agriculture and Industrialization, Postal Service, and Tourism. There are also welcome analyses of songs, literature, and other topics related to the railroads, as well as links to related resources from around the Library of Congress website. <i>I. S.</i>
43	Louis Prang and Chromolithography  Often considered to be the "father of the American Christmas Card," Louis Prang pioneered many technologies in chromolithography, becoming part of a wave of entrepreneurs that brought mass produced art into the homes of Americans. This site from the American Antiquarian Society features many of Prang's works, as well as informative annotations and a well composed biography. Readers may like to begin with the Christmas Cards tab, where they can read about Prang's great innovation and view some of the world's first Christmas cards. What is a Chromolithograph?, which can be located under the Chromolithography tab, explains the history and art of the lithograph, while the Education section outlines Prang's impact on art education in the United States. The heart of the site, however, is the beautiful Image Gallery, which features 40 original Items, complete with annotations

# 44 Lousiana Digital Media Archive

The Louisiana Digital Media Archive (LDMA) is "the first project in the nation to combine the media collections of a public broadcaster and a state archives." Hosted by the Louisiana Public Broadcasting Digital Collection and the Louisiana State Archives Multimedia Collection, this site is loaded with Louisiana memorabilia. Readers may browse by topic (Civil Rights, Sports, Energy, Environment, Arts & Culture, and others), by Series of locally produced public broadcasting content (Louisiana Legends, North Star, Folks, and others), and Programs, such as the fascinating program, "The Civil War: A Louisiana Perspective." Most months, there is also a Spotlight on History section that focuses on historical topics near and dear to the Pelican State. *I. S.* 

### 45 M.C. Escher

The official site for M. C. Escher, Dutch graphic artist famous for intriguing tessellations and depictions of fantastic landscapes. "On this website you can find information about the use of M.C. Escher's work, a short biography, news, bibliography, links and some fun stuff like a Virtual Ride through some of his works." Features images of dozens of his works such as "Drawing Hands" and "Ascending and Descending." *LII* 

# 46 MoEML: The Map of Early Modern London

MoEML, the Map of Early Modern London, uses modern technology to recombine and present centuries-old data in new ways. Based on the Agas Map, a woodblock-printed 16th-17th century bird's-eye view of London, MoEML encompasses four separate related projects: a digital edition of the Agas Map; an Encyclopedia and Descriptive Gazetteer of London people, places, topics, and terms; a Library of digital texts, marked up in TEI, an XML format for text encoding; and a digital edition of the 1598 text of John Stow's A Survey of London. Information is still being added to the MoEML, but it is already possible to start a search at the gazetteer and be referred to more information and a location on the Agas Map. For example, after searching "Tower of London," you can locate the Tower on the Agas Map, be referred to MoEML digital texts mentioning the Tower, and see variant spellings. In addition, there is a list of lines in Shakespeare where mention of the Tower of London occurs, which in turn link to the digital editions of each play. *IS*.

#### 47 Monster Librarian

Collection of horror fiction reading lists for adults and teens. Topics include vampires werewolves, zombies, horror-themed romance, and more. Also includes suggestions for scary books for children, and reviews of horror podcasts. From librarian Dylan Kowalewski. *LII* 

# 48 Morehouse King Collection

This site provides an introduction to the 2006 acquisition "through the efforts of a group of prominent Atlantans, [of] a 10,000-piece collection of handwritten notes and unpublished sermons of Martin Luther King Jr. [Morehouse class of 1948]." The collection is housed at the Woodruff Library, Morehouse College. Features a brief preview of the collection with selected images, a timeline of King at Morehouse, and a listing of King celebration events. From Morehouse College. *IPL* 

#### 49 Mosaic: The Science of Life

Mosaic is unlike any other online science magazine. With lively and fascinating features on biology and medicine, Mosaic bucks the trend of just about every media outlet on the web and actually encourages the free reproduction and distribution of its articles. Exploring the site is easy. The home page features all the latest stories, which, at the time of this writing were varied, including a look into Kawasaki disease, a rare childhood heart condition; the complexities of facial discrimination; and an exploration of homesickness in the modern world. For readers who would like to delve deeper into topics of interest, the site can be scouted by stories, which are sundry, and topics, of which there are five (Environment, Genetics, Infection, The Body, and The Brain). There is also an excellent weekly podcast. *IS*.

# Multiracial in America: Proud, Diverse and Growing in Numbers

According to this newly published report from the Pew Research Center, "America's multiracial population has grown at three times the rate of the general population since the beginning of the millennium." In fact, the number of multiracial children increased tenfold between 1970 and 2010, shooting up to a new high of nearly seven percent of the total population. The report emphasizes that these multiracial youth are "young, proud, [and] tolerant" of differences. Further bringing the statistics to life is a supplemental website on the Voices of Multiracial Americans. Here young, multi-racial Americans speak about their experiences, their thoughts about multiracial identity, and other related topics. To explore these stories in greater detail, select Essay: Multicultural Voices in the Report Materials section of the Multiracial in America site. *IS* 

# 51 National Student Clearinghouse Research Center

The National Student Clearinghouse Research Center has been gathering data on colleges and universities for over 20 years with the goal of "enabl[ing] better educational policy decisions leading to improved student outcomes." There are plenty of fascinating projects to scout right on the home page, which is continually updated as new reports are released. These reports span four broad categories: Signature Reports, which provide national data about students' experiences; Snapshot Reports, which periodically investigate enrollment trends; Term Enrollment Estimates, which are released in the fall and spring and offer timely estimates of postsecondary enrollments; and High School Benchmarks, which review high school-to-college transition rates for high school graduates. Recent publishings have explored spring 2015 term enrollment, persistence among students enrolled in four year colleges, and other topics. *IS*.

#### 52 National Geographic: Atlas Explorer

These atlases from National Geographic will bring geography lessons to life for students of every grade and level. With zoomable maps of Africa, Antarctica, Asia, Australia, Europe, North America, South America, the United States, and the world's oceans, this collection is both informative and expansive. Within each category, users may switch between geopolitical and geophysical maps to experience varying perspectives on the shifting boundaries of national lines, as well as the corresponding rivers, mountains, and other landmasses that often define and contextualize human events. In addition, the Human Footprint function, which can be found under Africa, maps the impact of human beings on the fast-developing continent, with explanatory blurbs signaling points of interest from the Nile to the Cape of Good Hope. *IS*.

#### Naval History and Heritage Command: Photography

The Photo Archive of the Naval History and Heritage Command comes with one great advantage: all items in the online collections are in the public domain, allowing for easy download and use without permissions or special requirements. And there are many, many fascinating historical photos here to scout. After perusing the informative introduction on the landing page, readers may like to move immediately to the photos themselves, which are classified into ten categories: Aviation, Navy Life, US People, People-Special, US Navy Ships, Places and Bases, Technology, Wars and Events, Numerical Lists, and Donations. Selecting any of these leads to further fascinating subcategories. For instance, under Wars and Events, readers may scout The American Civil War, The Spanish American War, the 19th Century, World War I, World War II, and several others, while selecting Places and Bases opens to possibilities like Washington DC, Guantanamo Bay, and New York Navy. The photographs on the site are as beautiful as they are historically significant. *I. S.* 

# 54 Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art: Collections

The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art in Kansas City, Missouri houses an assortment of art work from around the world. Although not all 35,000 works have been digitized, the online collections are well-curated, with excellent written explanations, links to related works, and accurate dates and artist attributions. The site can be searched by collection (African, American, American Indian, Ancient, Chinese, Decorative Arts, European, Japanese, Donald J. Hall Sculpture Park, Modern & Contemporary, Photography, Prints, and South & Southeast Asian), or by using the Advanced Search feature. A handy section on Helpful Searching Tips explains how to use the Advanced Search and offers advice on locating specific works of art. Among the collections, the Decorative Arts stand out for their wide selection and charm. Here readers may explore French porcelain, an early 20th century Austrian tea set, and a room from the 18th century home of the American merchant, Robert Hooper. . *I. S.* 

# NSF Special Report: Understanding the Brain

In 2013, President Obama unveiled "The Brain Initiative," a ten-year, nearly one billion dollar effort to unlock the mysteries of the brain. With contributions by everyone from the National Institute of Health (NIH) to the National Science Foundation (NSF) to Google, the initiative focuses on diverse fields and research methodologies. Readers will find much to explore on this accompanying website from NSF, including several dozen beautifully produced videos designed for classroom use. The videos, most of which are about five-minutes in length, cover topics such as the thinking brain, the perceiving brain, brain states and consciousness, the evolving brain, the emotional brain, the effects of musical training on the brain, and interviews with a number of groundbreaking brain researchers. Additionally, readers may peruse information about the brain initiative on the site, including Funding, Events, Resources, and News related to the project. *I. S.* 

#### Oakland Collection at the Oakland Museum of California

"In celebration of Oakland's 150th anniversary, the Oakland Museum of California presents over 7000 Oakland objects from its California Collections. These include historical photographs, paintings, documents, objects, all about Oakland, the city founded on the eastern shore of San Francisco Bay in 1852." Also features nine panoramic photographs of Oakland, which were created between 1877 and the 1930s. Searchable, or browsable by neighborhood map. Includes links to related sites. *IPL* 

#### 57 Old World Radio

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Before television (or Netflix, or Buzzfeed) families around the country used to sit together in the evenings and listen to the radio. This website gathers some of the classic radio favorites that defined the 1930s, 1940s, and 1950s. Organized by Comedy, Drama, Mystery, Sci Fi/Superheroes, Western, Detective Stories, Music, and Miscellaneous, each of the categories includes famous entertainers, including big band leaders like Artie Shaw and Benny Goodman as well as famous comedians like Abbot and Costello. For readers who are new to old-time radio, there is also a Recommended Favorites section that includes Vintage Commercials, The Shadow, CBS Radio Mystery Theater, and Amos 'n' Andy. In particular, the 1957 Chevrolet commercial, which can be located in the Vintage Commercials tab, should not be missed. *I. S.* 

#### 58 OpenSecrets

The Center for Responsible Politics was originally founded in 1983 by a bipartisan team of United States senators who were concerned about the increasing influence of money in American politics. The Center's OpenSecrets website came online just after the 1996 elections, and has been publishing analyses of money in politics ever since. The site's landing page, where readers can find daily blog entries and up-to-date coverage of the intersection of money and politics, is a good place to start. From there, readers may delve into four categories, including Politicians & Elections, Influence & Lobbying, News & Analysis, and Resources. The Resources page is especially compelling. Here readers may explore frequently asked questions, download a Follow the Money handbook, and even proffer an iPhone App. They may also participate in creating mashups with the Center's bulk data. *I. S.* 

59	P2008: Race for the White House  Coverage of the 2008 U.S. presidential elections, including candidates and their campaigns, media coverage, political parties, interest groups, and voting. Features background and analysis for the pre-campaign and pre-primary periods, primaries in specific states, conventions, debates, and other topics related to the elections. From Democracy in Action, a "nonpartisan, nonprofit effort dedicated to educating citizens about the political process and their role in making it work." LII
60	Project website for the Pancam, "a high-resolution stereo camera that takes color pictures of the surrounding Martian landscape from the Mars Exploration Rovers." Features a large collection of images (including panoramas and Mars surface features), Pancam technical details, project information, a list of relevant publications, a data tracking database, and related material. From the Cornell University Department of Astronomy. <i>LII</i>
61	Perspectives on the Boston Massacre  This site from the Massachusetts Historical Society examines multiple perspectives on the Boston Massacre. The confrontation between British Soldiers and mostly unarmed civilians on the evening of March 5th, 1770 left five men dead - and contributed to the resentment that eventually led to the American Revolutionary War. On the site, readers may like to start with the excellent introduction before delving into the historical source material, which is divided into four additional sections: Reactions and Responses, The Massacre Illustrated, The Trials, and Anniversaries. The Reactions and Responses section is perhaps of particular interest, as it offers both original hand written letters and articles, as well as easily readable transcripts. Educators searching for primary materials to liven up lesson plans about the United States' road to independence will find much of interest on this excellent site. IS
62	Philosophy TV  For those readers who love a good conversation, and especially a good conversation about great ideas, Philosophy TV provides an astounding array of material about nearly everything philosophically related. Interlocutors include grad students and professors neck deep in their disciplines, speaking on topics as widely ranging as free will, love, moral disgust, and astrophysics. Readers may like to scout the site by categories, of which there are many, including aesthetics, epistemology, philosophy of language, and philosophy of psychology, just to name a few. Most episodes are approximately one hour long and are presented as a dialogue between two speakers. Each is accompanied by a handy text synopsis that explains what the two philosophers spoke about, including timestamps for specific reference to topics discussed. I. S.
63	Podcast Archives: Buddhist Geeks  The Buddhist Geeks Podcast first hit the airwaves in 2007. Since then, the series has become a huge hit among tech-savvy Buddhists with well over 350 podcasts in the archives, and even more added every week. Topics run the gamut from virtual reality to mediation to the overlaps and conflicts between Eastern religion and science, but all the episodes orbit the founders' fascination with the interface between Buddhist practice and the ever-expanding connective technologies that define the 21st century. Of particular interest are episode 351, in which JoAnna Harper and Emily Horn speak about inclusivity and diversity in Buddhist communities, and Episode 338, in which philosopher David Loy "presents a social narrative that features a living Cosmos waking up to itself." In addition to the podcasts, there are also several dozen videos, such as the talk "Pain is Not Suffering," by Stanford psychologist Kelly McGonigal. IS.
64	POTUS: Presidents of the United States  This collection features "background information, election results, cabinet members, notable events, and some points of interest on each of the [U.S.] presidents. Links to biographies, historical documents, audio and video files, and other presidential sites are also included."  Includes indexes to names and subjects, and a brief bibliography. From the Internet Public Library. IPL

# 65 Profiles in Science: Visual Culture and Health Posters

This exhibit about the historical use of posters to inform the public about health issues provides a fascinating look into the way visual media have developed over time. Readers may like to begin with the Brief History section, which provides an introduction to the exhibit, including the innovations of French artists in the mid-19th century and the adoption of posters for the purpose of public health campaigns during World War I. From there, readers may explore the categories of Infectious Disease, Environmental Health, Anti-Smoking Campaigns, and HIV/AIDS, each of which is accompanied by a thorough annotation that introduces and explicates the context for the campaign, visual strategies, and other helpful information. *I. S.* 

### 66 Public Libraries Online

This site, which is the companion to the Public Library Association's print magazine, Public Libraries, provides a wealth of information on topics that matter to public libraries and public librarianship. The site is sorted into five categories, including News & Opinions, where readers can peruse articles on topics such as how libraries help writers succeed and how Bibliobot the robotic librarian is helping autistic patrons in Longmont, Colorado. Additionally, the Books & More section features Book Reviews, Indie and Self-Published E-Book Reviews, and intriguing Interviews with authors as diverse as children's writer Cece Bell, first time novelist Kathleen Hale, science fiction writer Ben Winters, and literary essayist, novelist, and short story writer Edwidge Danticat. Readers eager for the print version of Public Libraries will happily find archived versions in the Magazine section of the site, enhanced by the ability to leave comments and share select articles via social media sharing. *I. S* 

# 67 Reporters Without Borders

For educators designing lesson plans on journalism, the Reporters Without Borders site can offer insights into the lives of journalists working around the world. Readers may browse the site according to region, including information on Africa, Americas, Asia, Europe/Ex-USSR, and Middle East/North Africa. Selecting any of these tabs triggers a drop down menu of respective countries. Selecting any of the countries navigates to an archive of all the articles published about that country written in the past decade or so. Other important features of the site include a World Press Freedom Index, which evaluates each nation on a number of variables to assign them a yearly ranking. In the 2015 rankings, for instance, Finland was found to be the most powerful proponent of a free press in the world, while the United States was ranked number 49, after South Africa, Samoa, El Salvador, and many other nations. *IS*.

# Resources for Genealogists and Family Historians

For readers who are fascinated by genealogy, the National Archives has a page dedicated to helping people find their roots. The easiest place to start is the section entitled "Start Your Family Research." There readers will find instructions about how to start their research, some helpful research tips, guidance on the use of the site's military records, and reference reports on a range of topics, from census to citizenship to federal employees. Also on the homepage, readers will find links to popular topics like land records and immigration, as well as tools for genealogists and genealogy-related articles. *IS* 

# 69 Robert Burns, 1759-1796

This site provides brief illustrated essays about the life of Scottish poet Robert Burns. It "is based on material by or relating to 'Scotland's Bard' which is held by the National Library of Scotland. ... Special features are pages giving highlights of the Library's significant resources -- whether original letters or poems (see Manuscripts page) or important books (see Books page)." Includes links to related sites. From the National Library of Scotland. *LII* 

70	Romare Bearden: Let's Walk the Block  "See Harlem street life through the eyes and imagination of Romare Bearden. This exploration of his famous collage, 'The Block,' includes a guided tour, music by the Branford Marsalis Quartet, and activities designed for kids, parents, and teachers." Includes background about Bearden, who was born in 1911 in North Carolina into a "middle-class, African-American family. When he was three, his family moved to Harlem." From the Metropolitan Museum of Art. LII
71	Science - HowStuffWorks  HowStuffWorks, which began in 1998 at a college professor's kitchen table, has garnered dozens of awards and features thousands of posted articles and podcasts about everything from cars to animals to money. There are even HowStuffWorks Quizzes, Shows, and Videos, as well as an app for both iOS and Android devices. Unsurprisingly, the Science section of the HowStuffWorks website is loaded with fascinating facts. After scouting the Most Popular section on the landing page, readers may like to jump to What's Inside: Science, which boasts over a dozen topics, such as Engineering, Environmental Science, Forces of Nature, Innovation, and others. Don't miss the article, "10 Historical Robots," which explicates automata from as far back as Swiss clockmaker Pierre Jaquet-Droz's 1774 intricately constructed moving dolls. Readers are sure to find hours of edifying entertainment on this most famous of science sites I. S.
72	ScienceDaily: Engineering News  Since its founding in 1995, ScienceDaily has published over 140,000 articles, 50,000 images, and thousands of new videos, all without subscription fees. The Engineering News section of the site is well known for its timely coverage of engineering innovations. Recent articles have explored a mathematical model that raises the possibility of bacteria-controlled robots, highlighted the spectra of macroscopic quantum behavior, and recapitulated analyses of Pluto drawn from the New Horizons spacecraft. Conveniently, each article begins with a pithy summary and ends with a link to the actual peer-reviewed journal being referenced. For readers who are looking for a single site from which to launch an exploration into the world of engineering, ScienceDaily's Engineering News is a wonderful place to begin. <i>I. S.</i>
73	ScienceDaily ScienceDaily is one of the Internet's most popular science news web sites. Since starting in 1995, the award-winning site has earned the loyalty of students, researchers, healthcare professionals, government agencies, educators and the general public around the world. Now with more than 6 million monthly visitors worldwide, ScienceDaily generates nearly 20 million page views a month and is steadily growing in its global audience. Website
74	Brought to the world by the Lifelong Kindergarten Group and the MIT Media Lab, Scratch allows children to program their own interactive stories, games, and animations, as well as share their projects with a larger online community. Parents and educators may like to start with Info for Parents and Info for Educators sections, which can both be located under the About tab. To take full advantage, users will first need to Join Scratch - a free and simple four-step process that requires nothing more than an email address. From there, users may peruse the Explore tab, where they will find thousands of projects in the categories of Animations, Art, Games, Music, and Stories. However, the heart of the Scratch site is the Create tab, where anyone can begin to design their own projects by following user-friendly instructions. <i>I. S.</i>
75	Senate Chamber Desks  This presentation features historical details about the U.S. Senate chamber desks. "The Senate purchased 48 desks for its chamber in 1819, adding desks as new states joined the Union. To date, more than 1,600 senators have occupied these historic desks." Features a Senate seating plan, an interactive timeline of the evolution of the desks, and "desk history & mystery" (which includes a section about the so-called "Candy Desk"). From the U.S. Senate. IPL

76	Stephen Foster  Companion to a Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) American Experience program about 19th century songwriter Stephen Foster, who composed some 200 songs, including "Oh! Susanna," "Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair," and "Camptown Races." Features an illustrated timeline, a gallery of printable sheet music and associated audio clips, an essay on blackface minstrel shows, and more. Also includes a teacher's guide. <i>IPL</i>
77	Summer of Love: Art of the Psychedelic Era  Companion to a 2005 exhibition exploring "the unprecedented exchanges between contemporary art, popular culture, civil unrest and the moral upheaval during the 1960s and early 70s." Features an overview of psychedelic art and links to illustrated articles about optical illusions, light shows, and the art of the 1960s. Also includes a detailed timeline and screen savers. From the Tate Liverpool. <i>LII</i>
78	Teachers & Writers Magazine  Teachers & Writers Magazine is an online periodical published by the Teachers & Writers  Collaborative, a group that "seeks to educate the imagination" through publications, workshops, and other literary arts resources. On the site, readers may scout the Essays & Articles, which are professionally composed and tend to focus on the intersection between literary creation and imaginative education. The Student Writing section is chock full of student essays, poems, and stories from around the country. And the well-organized Archives feature about a dozen former issues, dating back to the inauguration of the site in July 2014. In addition, educators will find many useful resources in the Lesson Plans section, such as Sarah Porter's lesson about sarcasm. I. S.
79	TeachingEnglish: Resources  Although educators outside of the United Kingdom will need to adapt some of the curricula from these excellent teacher resources, the lesson plans, activities, and articles on the Teaching Teens section of the British Council's TeachingEnglish site are well worth the effort. Readers may want to start with the Activities section, which boasts dozens of projects and learning tasks on subjects as diverse as mega-bridges and alien abduction. The Lesson Plans tab hosts equally helpful resources. For instance, the Mandela Day lesson plan aims to teach teens the benefits of working for others, and provides a history of famed South African leader, Nelson Mandela. Each lesson plan includes a brief description, allotted time, clear aims, and downloadable materials. This site is a welcome resource for educators of teens around the world. I. S.
80	Teenagers in the Times  For educators who are searching for ways to make their lesson plans vital and relevant to teenagers, Teenagers in the Times is an excellent place to start. This monthly-published subset of the New York Times blog, The Learning Network, gathers a virtual phalanx of articles related to the experience and impact of teenagers. For instance, the June 2015 issue divides dozens of articles into three broad categories: Civics, Politics, Government, Economics, and Business; Science, Technology, Math, Health and Sports; and Arts, Media and Culture. Featured articles from that month include an expose of teenage slang, a profile of teenage golfer Brooke Henderson, and a look at the difficulties of French high school students, among many others. Activity sheets and links to lesson plans can be located are also available. <i>I. S.</i>
81	The Museum of Imaginary Musical Instruments  In the Museum of Imaginary Musical Instruments - which exists only online, under a Creative Commons license - readers will find a panoply of imaginative inventions, from the Torturetron (from the film script of the Adventures of Baron Munchausen) to Les Paul's Les Paulverizer. Readers may like to begin with the About section, which includes a fascinating exegesis of the site's undergirding assumptions, before moving on to the exhibitions. These include spectacles in the general categories of Abstract Resonators, Acousmatic Instruments, Auditory Extensions, Giganticism, and others. Each instrument is accompanied by the textual or visual reference from which it was drawn and a concomitant image or explanation. This imaginative site must be seen to be believed. I. S.

#### 82 The ROBERT F KENNEDY CENTER

The RFK CENTER amplifies the work of activists, authors, journalists, and students to a global audience through five annual awards. The RFK HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD recognizes an individual who stands up to oppression at grave personal risk in the nonviolent pursuit of human rights. The RFK BOOK AWARD honors the book that most forcefully reflects Robert Kennedy's priorities: concern for the poor and the powerless, the struggle for even-handed justice, and a remedy for disparities of power and opportunity. The RFK JOURNALISM AWARDS celebrate excellence in investigative journalism on a wide spectrum of social justice issues. RFK EUROPE established the RFK HIGH SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY JOURNALISM AWARD to recognize the achievements of youth who investigate human rights issues and advocate for change. The RFK RIPPLE OF HOPE AWARD lauds leaders of the international business, entertainment, and activist communities who demonstrate commitment to social change. *Website* 

#### 83 The Millions

The Millions is an online magazine that covers books, art, and culture. Founded in 2003, the site boasts an enormous backlog of essays, reviews, excerpts, lists, and other wonders. While readers can choose to support the Millions with a monthly donation, the content is free, and ads are minimal. Readers could start anywhere on this playful and intriguing site. Recent essays have included a look at gender, books, and children as well as an exploration of the persistence of the physical book in the face of tablets and e-readers. Lists have covered topics like "Hinge of History: Nine Books for the Post-Ferguson Era" and "Five Ways Being a Writer and Professional Skateboarder Are the Same." *IS* 

#### 84 The Frick Collection: Virtual Tour

The Frick Collection is physically located at 1 East 70th Street in New York City, sitting on the Northeast corner just next to Fifth Avenue. But for those who can't make the trip to see the museum's world renowned collections of paintings and fine furniture, all 21 rooms and spaces of the former mansion are available for virtual viewing on the museum's website. To view one of them, readers may simply select a zone from the floor plan on the landing page. From there, readers may zoom in and out, as well as turn in panoramic circles that offer a full view of the rooms, hallways, and gardens of the museum. Additionally, some of the galleries, such as the Portico Gallery, feature optional audio commentary. Add to this the archival images and related links available on each page and the site provides excellent education and entertainment for readers fascinated by the intricacies of old world art. *I. S.* 

#### 85 The Center for Faith-Based & Community Initiatives

Provides material about this initiative of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) that "welcomes the participation of faith-based and community-based organizations as valued and essential partners assisting Americans in need." Includes links to faith-based activities of specific agencies, funding opportunities, publications (such as manuals for faith- and community-based service providers), and related resources. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. *LII* 

#### 86 The Shark Research Institute

The Discovery Channel's Shark Week drew record ratings this year, netting more than 2.5 million viewers. What is it about sharks that so captivates our attention? The Shark Research Institute (SRI) website might provide a few answers to that question. Readers might like to start with SRI Alerts, which links to coverage of all things shark-related from around the web. Next, the About Sharks section features information concerning dozens of shark species listed in alphabetical order, as well as shark videos and a shark photo gallery. Links to the Global Shark Attack File, a site devoted to providing current and hsitorical data on shark/human interactions, can also be found here. The Education section is another great feature of this site, with Games, Handouts for Teachers, a Whale Shark Q&A, and a section on Kids Making a Difference, which profiles a number of children who have made contributions to shark conservation and research. *I. S.* 

# 87 The Protection Project

Founded in 1994, the Protection Project is a human rights organization that seeks to combat human trafficking around the world. In addition to opportunities for advocacy, the site is packed with information. Readers may like to begin on the homepage, where the New Publications section offers three downloadable PDFs, including a nearly 100-page report on trafficking for labor and sex, government responses, and the role of NGOs in combating human trafficking. In addition, the Resources tab is packed with information, including reports from dozens of countries, a list of downloadable publications, links to anti-trafficking legislation (under the Law Library tab), and a Speeches & Commentary section. For readers seeking to become informed about the nature of slavery in the 21st century, this site can provide a great deal of education. *I. S.* 

### 88 The Webby Awards

The Internet is big. Really big. In fact, as of the time of this writing, there are over 900 million websites to navigate on the World Wide Web. So how do you choose the best, the most innovative, the most useful, the most beautiful? Every year, the Webby Awards does just that. Readers will find much to explore on the Webby Awards' website. The site can be scouted by category, including Special Achievement, Websites, Online Film & Video, Advertising & Media, Mobile Sites & Apps, and Social. Within each category, awards are meted out by subcategory. For instance, within Websites, there are awards for Art, Best use of Photography, Best User Experience, and many others. For a trip down memory lane, the site can also be searched by year, all the way back to 1997. While not all winners of the Webby Awards are equally academic, there are plenty of interesting and educational website recommendations for Scout Readers on the site. *I. S.* 

#### 89 The Dalai Lama Center for Ethics and Transformative Values

The Dalai Lama Center for Ethics and Transformative Values is not your average think tank. It is collaborative, nonpartisan, and develops research and programs in a variety of fields, "from science and technology to education and international relations." Yet the heart of the center's work lies in its mission to "emphasize responsibility and examine meaningfulness and moral purpose between individuals, organizations, and societies." Readers may like to start with Media, where they will find videos of the Dalai Lama speaking, photographs of events and speakers, and a press room with articles from around the web. In addition, Insights from Dalai Lama Center Fellows (which can be located by navigating to http://fellows.thecenter.mit.edu) is an excellent blog where the center's fellows reflect on everything from health care in rural India to The Pleasure of Figuring Things Out. *IS*.

### 90 The Riga Ghetto and Latvian Holocaust Museum

This elegant and moving site from the Riga Ghetto and Latvian Holocaust Museum tells the stories of six survivors of the Holocaust. By putting a human face to the horrific numbers - between 1941 and 1945 more than 70,000 Jews and Roma were murdered in Latvia - the site brings the realities of life and death in the Latvian ghettos into startling focus. The experiences of these individuals, told through poignant combinations of image and text, include a dockworker who saves Jews from certain death, a Jewish woman who carefully records her experience for later testimony to the Allied forces, and a young boy who survives the concentration camps to find a new life in America. Readers are encouraged to scout the MAP tab on the landing page, where Google Street View images from present-day Riga are juxtaposed with images and oral histories that recount the experience of the Ghetto, street by street. In all, these innovative features work to bring this terrible period to life with the words of those lucky enough to live through it, and bring a sobering new perspective to one small piece of an international human tragedy. *IS*.

# 91 The Poetry Foundation: Learning Lab: Teacher Specific Resources The Poetry Foundation is one of the web's most trustworthy sources for all things poetry, and this extensive list of free teacher resources is no exception. Here educators will find a wide variety of helpful lesson plans, information, course materials, assessment advice, activity ideas, insights and techniques, and other opportunities and tools. For instance, one link will take readers to lesson plans corresponding to the popular Favorite Poem Project, while another navigates to the WEB English Teacher site with dozens of activities organized in alphabetical order. While a few of the links need to be updated, this list can provide hours of ideas for poetically inspired classrooms. IS. 92 The Avalon Project: The Middle East 1916-2001: A Documentary Record For anyone interested in the public policy, diplomacy, and international law of the Middle East over the past century, this documentary record provides hundreds of pages of primary sources. For instance, a British White Paper from June 1922 attempted to resolve "the outstanding questions which have given rise to uncertainty and unrest among certain sections of the population" of Palestine, "due to apprehensions, which are entertained both by sections of the Arab and by sections of the Jewish population." Many documents follow, including a number of United Nations Security Council Resolutions, armistice agreements between Israel and Lebanon and Egypt, attempts to establish borders, and many attempts to broker a truce between Israelis and Palestinians. I. S. 93 Urban Problems: Methods and Techniques in Urban Engineering Cities around the world run into a range of burdensome difficulties, from dwelling deficits to infrastructure problems to inefficient services to environmental pollution. The field of Urban Engineering attempts to address these complications with cost-effective and implementable strategies. This open access book outlines solutions related to urban automation, geographic information systems (GIS), monitoring and management of urban noise, floods, transportation, and many other topics. Each chapter of the book is available for individual download and covers a distinct topic. For instance, Chapter 3 focuses on "Experiences with the Ubranisation of Slums: Management and Intervention Models," while Chapter 10 looks at "Urban Flood Control, Simulation and Management - An Integrated Approach." For readers interested in understanding more about Urban Engineering, this freely accessible online book will provide a thorough introduction. I. S. 94 **USGS** Multimedia Gallery The United States Geological Survey (USGS) seeks to "serve the Nation by providing reliable scientific information to describe and understand the Earth." While the agency provides numerous resources of interest to Scout readers, the USGS Multimedia Gallery may be particularly handy for educators looking to use audio and visual aids to galvanize lesson plans and classroom activities. The site is organized into three categories: Photography & Images, Videos & Animations, and Audio and Podcasts. Each category features hundreds of multimedia resources. For instance, selecting "View All... Collections" under Photography & Images navigates to a page where readers may choose among subcategories such as Geography, Native American and Tribal Activities, Satellite Images, and many others. Additionally, the Public Lecture Series, a collection within Videos and Animations, features a number of webinars on such topics as the Resilience Potential of Coral Reefs

in the Mariana Islands and Climate Change Effects on Fisheries in the Great Lakes. I. S.

#### 95 Vanderbilt University Center for Teaching

The mission of the Vanderbilt University Center for Teaching is to promote university teaching that leads to meaningful student learning. By helping members of the Vanderbilt community become more effective teachers, the Center for Teaching supports the educational mission of the university and enhances the learning experiences of its students.

We offer programs and services in four primary, overlapping areas that advance our mission:

- Providing opportunities to develop and refine foundational teaching skills through workshops, seminars, and individual consultations;
- Consulting with educators as they adopt and evaluate new teaching practices as part of their continuing professional development;
- Fostering campus conversations on teaching and learning that are informed by national and international higher education developments, as well as local issues and priorities; and
- dentifying, sharing, and advocating for research-based practices in university teaching and the resources that support them.

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# 96 Westchester County: Digital Collections

Westchester County, which consists of 48 municipalities spreading out along the Hudson river north of New York City, has a written history that stretches back to the visits of Giovanni da Varrazzano and Henry Hudson in the 16th and 17th centuries. These digital collections from the Westchester County Archives tap into that cultural and historical richness with a bevy of atlases, historical maps, cemetery records, and photography collections. Of particular interest are the Commissioners of Forfeiture Proceedings, 1784-1786, replete with records of the lands seized from Loyalists during the American Revolution. The John Gass Photograph Collection, which boasts over one thousand images, is also worth perusing, as are the Westchester County Government Annual Reports: Park and Recreation Commissions, 1923-1955 (gaps). The Archives digitizing efforts are well under way, and each of the 21 digital collections have been cataloged using CONTENTdm to make for easy keyword searching. *IS*.

#### 97 Women Working, 1800-1930

Women Working, 1800–1930 is a digital exploration of women's impact on the economic life of the United States between 1800 and the Great Depression. Working conditions, workplace regulations, home life, costs of living, commerce, recreation, health and hygiene, and social issues are among the issues documented in this online research collection from Harvard University. *Website* 

# 98 Women in Science and Mathematics (WiSM)

While the express goal of this website is to recruit and retain women students in sciences and mathematics at Eastern Illinois University, there is plenty of good information on the site for the rest of us. Readers may like to start with Further Reading, where they can link to media coverage of women in science from around the web. From there, they may select Biographies of Women in Science, where they can access dozens of biographies of women who have made contributions to fields as diverse as chemistry, primatology, biophysics, and astronomy. In addition, the site features links to half a dozen other websites on the topic, from the Smithsonian's photo portraits of women scientists to the San Diego Supercomputer Center's coverage of women scientists from around the world. *IS* 

# 99 Wonders & Marvels

Aside from its status as an online emporium of historical curiosities and captivating tales, Wonders & Marvels boasts an alluring backstory. It all started in 2008, when Vanderbilt University Professor Holly Tucker mocked up a site on Blogger so her students could post their musings about a course she was teaching on the history of medicine. One thing led to another, and eventually a full-fledged website blossomed. Recent articles, written by specialists and nonspecialists, have focused upon the Mongol Invasions of Japan, the dire impacts of untreated syphilis, and an expose of the great Arab historian Ibn Khaldun. A number of interviews are also featured on the site, including a very insightful piece about writing history, as experienced by Jeremy Dronfield and Deborah McDonald. Regardless of topic, by combining a playful attitude with some good, solid historical research the articles here are sure to both delight and inform. *I. S.* 

# Wright in Racine

Frank Lloyd Wright, who was born Frank Lincoln Wright in Richland Center, Wisconsin in 1867 and died at age 91 in Phoenix, Arizona, was named by the American Institute of Architects, as "the greatest American Architect of all time." This blog by author, photographer, and Wright expert, Mark Hertzberg, orbits the famous Johnson Wax Headquarters, which was built in 1936 in Racine, Wisconsin, and to this day is considered a classic of American architecture. Blog posts are well-researched and often feature original photography. Recent entries have covered a new exhibition at SC Johnson, a celebration of Wright's birthday, renovations of old Wright buildings, and much more. *I. S.*