USING STORYTELLING TOOLS TO EXPAND THE ARCHIVES’ REACH

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Northwestern University Knight Lab provides an open, collaborative environment for interdisciplinary exploration and conversation, best known for their innovative suite of open-source, adaptable, and lightweight tools for media makers. The most popular, TimelineJS, has been used by more than 250,000 people to tell stories seen hundreds of millions of times, and is available in more than sixty languages. We also develop prototypes of tools for reporting, data management, research, and storytelling...
STORY MAP

- StoryMapJS is a free tool to help you tell stories on the web that highlight the locations of a series of events.
- StoryMap JS can pull in media from a variety of sources. Twitter, Flickr, YouTube, Vimeo, Vine, Dailymotion, Google Maps, Wikipedia, SoundCloud, Document Cloud and more!
- Add a slide for each place in your story.
- You can create your own style.
- You can use large images.
• TimelineJS is an open-source tool that enables anyone to build visually rich, interactive timelines. Beginners can create a timeline using nothing more than a Google spreadsheet, like the one the Lab provides. Experts can use their JSON skills to create custom installations, while keeping TimelineJS’s core functionality.

• Timeline 1 was used to trace the steps a co-PI and I followed on a grant from brainstorming, drafting, and implementation to near completion at an online conference.
• Timeline 2 was presented to patrons of the Ormond Beach Public Library highlighting the life and major contributions of Mary McLeod Bethune.
VIDEOS

• The Archives video was created by Gig Bag Media with funding from a NEFLIN grant and is part of a larger work about the library’s offerings. It was created during the pandemic for stakeholders to reference.
• One of the first videos on our YouTube Channel.
• Gig Bag Media would also create a longer video about Mary McLeod Bethune that won several awards.
• https://youtu.be/IuAEIsUyBuU

• The video of the Historic Home was also created during the pandemic since we had to close the Home to visitors.
• The video continues to allow visitors to tour the Home especially since it is closed for renovations.
• It was created by Gig Bag Media.
• https://youtu.be/MQGOZ5vOP7Y
The flickr account allows us to store up to 1000 photographs and works well with the Northwestern Lab's tools.

- It is free.
- It can host digital humanities projects.

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