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## New Look for LOUISiana Digital Library

The LOUISiana Digital Library Committee, along with LOUIS: The Louisiana Library Network, implemented a new Web site for the LOUISiana Digital Library. This new interface features improved navigation and increased content accessibility.

The LOUISiana Digital Library is a state-wide digital archive of over 84,000 digitized photographs, artwork, audio recordings, maps, letters, and other objects from over 19 Louisiana libraries, archives, museums, and historical centers. Examples of items in the many collections include photographs of the great 1927 Mississippi River flood, audio recordings of Cajun and Creole folk music, Civil War photograph albums, paintings by Louisiana artists, and early 18th Century maps of Louisiana.

Each of the 19 institutions contributes digital images and descriptive text for the collections found in the Digital Library. The collections from the institutions highlight treasures located in different parts of the state. Grant funded digital projects such as the Louisiana GUMBO, the Louisiana Purchase Bicentennial, and the Teaching History in Louisiana Project, celebrate the spirit of collaboration and include digitized materials from many institutions.

Students, teachers, and the general public are encouraged to utilize this wonderful and ever expanding resource that digitally documents Louisiana's history, culture, people and places.

Visit the LOUISiana Digital Library online at <u>www.louisianadigitallibrary.org</u>