From Theory to Action: A Pragmatic Approach to Digital Preservation Tools & Strategies November 13 Friday, November 13 2015, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM [EST] Homestake Adams Research Center, 2nd Floor, 150 Sherman Street, Deadwood, SD

The MAC Speakers Bureau is proud to partner with DIGITAL POWRR and the South Dakota SHRAB to bring MAC members this high-quality workshop at no cost to participants:

Register online by October 30—space will fill quickly:  http://digitalpowrr11132015.eventzilla.net/web/event?eventid=2139088436 (Begin registration process by choosing “1” under quantity)

Event details
This full-day workshop is made possible in part by a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities: Celebrating 50 Years of Excellence. The workshop was created as a result of an IMLS-funded study on identifying practical digital preservation solutions for small- and mid-sized libraries. We will not be addressing the “why” of digital preservation; rather, we are preparing for the “how.”...providing hands-on, practical experience. Attendees will practice the accession of a digital collection using a simple, open source tool; learn about several digital preservation tools and services; and create an institution-specific action plan for making progress towards digital preservation goals. (Digital POWRR, http://digitalpowrr.niu.edu/)

This workshop is cosponsored by the Midwestern Archives Conference (MAC) and the South Dakota State Historical Records Advisory Board (SD SHRAB). The POWRR team appreciates the support and generosity of both organizations. To learn more about the MAC, click here. To learn more about the SD SHRAB, click here.

Target Audience
This is a hands-on workshop designed specifically for front-line practitioners from small and mid-sized institutions, who routinely complete collections processing work. If you understand the need for digital preservation, and are now seeking to build daily workflows that incorporate accessioning digital materials, processing them, and planning for their long-term preservation, you are our target audience. The focus on the workshop is on preservation and not access (digitization) of materials. An introductory knowledge of digital preservation issues, such as those outlined in the Library of Congress's Digital Preservation Outreach & Education Curriculum, is required.

**Please note that this is not a workshop on how to digitize materials. However, the curriculum could be helpful to implement a digital preservation plan into a digitization project. The skills taught can be applied to both born-digital as well as digitized collections.**
**Workshop Expected Outcomes**

- You will understand that different digital preservation tools/services can perform different functions within the digital curation lifecycle and be able to explain how these tools/services can be used within your institution’s workflow.
- You will practice some of the initial pre-ingest activities* required to accession a digital collection and gain the skills necessary to repeat this process at your institution.
- You will gain hands on experience with a basic digital preservation tool and understand how it can be used within your institution’s workflow.
- You will take away resources that help align communication and advocacy, as well as guide policymaking and tool selection/implementation.
- You will create a 3-3-3 Action Plan to implement in the following 3 months that will move you closer to your digital preservation goals.

* as described in the OCLC report “Walk this Way”

PLEASE NOTE: If this workshop is full, please add your name to the wait-list. You will be contacted if there are any cancellations. Priority will be given to members of MAC.

**Travel Scholarships** are available to MAC members residing in the western MAC states: North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Minnesota, Iowa, and Missouri, courtesy of DIGITAL POWRR!

More to come on this separate application process!