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# TDL Forum

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2014

# Agenda

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- Welcome to new member (Debra Hanken Kurtz, Executive Director)
- Staff Recruitment Update (Ryan Steans, Director of Operations)
- TCDL 2014 and Training Updates (Kristi Park, Marketing Manager)
- Director's Report: Open-source software, DuraSpace, and TDL (Debra Hanken Kurtz, Executive Director)
- Q&A

# Welcome!

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- New Affiliate member  
(Feb. 2014)
- Alfred R. Neumann  
Library
- Executive Director, Karen  
Wielhorski



University  
of Houston  
Clear Lake

# Staffing Open Positions

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- ~~Systems Administrator II~~ *filled!*
  - Nick Lauland
  - 20-year IT professional
  - Most recently worked in UT College of Liberal Arts ITS
- *Continued recruiting:* Senior Systems Administrator/ Architect





# 2014 Texas Conference on Digital Libraries

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***Dates:*** April 28-29

***Place:*** AT&T Executive Education and Conference Center, Austin

***Program includes:*** Dan Cohen (DPLA)  
Karen Coyle (Linked Data expert)

***Early Registration ends April 1***

***More information:*** <https://conferences.tdl.org/tcdl/>

# 2014 Texas Conference on Digital Libraries

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## ***Institutions represented in the program:***

Baylor University

Cal State Northridge

DPLA

East Texas Research Center

Illinois State University

Kansas University

Minnesota Digital Library

Mountain West Digital  
Library

National Museum of the  
Pacific War

Stephen F. Austin State  
University

Texas A&M University

UT San Antonio

University of Toronto

University of North Texas

Texas Tech University

University of Houston

University of Michigan

University of Saskatchewan

Texas A&M at Galveston

UT Arlington

UT Austin

*A list of accepted  
presentations and posters is  
available on the TCDL 2014  
website.*

*Go to:  
<http://conferences.tdl.org/TCDL>  
and select "Presentations."*



# Linked Data Workshop at TCDL 2014

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- April 29, 1:30 – 5:00 PM
- Karen Coyle
- Limited space, no additional charge for attendees – registration open

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# Training Update

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- ***Intro to DSpace***: April 8 in Austin (Colleen Lyon)
- ***Vireo*** (version 2): April 9 in Austin (Ryan Steans)
  
- ***Tentative***: June 3-6: ***Advanced DSpace*** (James Creel)



# TDL and Open-Source Communities

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**Libraries** = prolific users of open-source software.

How do we go beyond being *consumers* to become  
*champions* of open-source?

# DURASPACE™ Sponsors Summit

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TDL is a Platinum sponsor of DuraSpace.

This sponsorship ...

1. Supports development of DSpace and DuraCloud
2. Allows TDL to promote our members' needs for these services within the DuraSpace community

# DURASPACE™ Summit: DSpace Sponsors Discussion

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## ***Evolving organizational model: From “sponsors” to “members”***

- Membership implies return on fiscal investment.
- Contributions can be money, code development, etc.
- Creation of membership models for smaller institutions and institutions in developing countries.

## ***Next Actions***

- Write planning grant
- Develop a project road map
- Recruit ~90 members to build annual budget of \$400-500K, needed to pay 1.5 FTE
- Present draft of road map, etc. at Open Repositories

# Other opportunities

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## “Supporting Cultural Heritage Open Source Software” Symposium

- Lyrasis-sponsored, Mellon-funded symposium intended to advance good practices for the long-term support of open-source software within library, archives, and museum communities.

## Closer to home: Vireo

- Develop community of contributor-members through the Vireo Users Group that supports development and use of Vireo.



Questions?