

# Memories Refreshed & Treasures Unearthed

How to find, access, and evaluate  
digital archival image sources for  
your students and faculty

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# Part I: Introduction

- Although more and more digital archival images have become available online for research, problems still arise.
- The lack of promotion and marketing by the archival resource holders complicates the finding of quality historical images that are ideal for educational and research purposes.
- Often times, the value and availability of those resources remain unknown or overlooked. As a result of that, those resources are underused.
- “World War II propaganda posters”

# Part I: Why do we need to search those image sources

- Research
- Education
- Instruction
- Preservation/Historical Value
- Social Justice
- Personal Hobby

# Part II: What sources are there to find online images

- **Search Engines:** Google, Yahoo, bing, Alltheweb, Alta Vista, Picsearch, and Search 22.
- **Databases:** Academic Search Premier, Art Museum Image Gallery, OAlster.
- **University Library Digital Collections.**
- **Government Sources.**
- **Social Network Software:** Flickr, Facebook, Myspace, Wiki, Blogs
- **Popular Newspaper and Magazine Archives:** Life, New York Times, Time, Newsweek, National Geographic.
- **Famous News Agencies:** BBC, Associated Press, Reuters.
- **LibGuides and Librarians' Choice**
- **Private Vendors**
- **New Trends**

# Search Engines

- Google
  - <http://images.google.com/images?gbv=2&hl=en&sa=1&q=world+war+ii+propaganda+posters&aq=f&oq=&aqi=&start=0>
- Bing
  - <http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=world+war+ii+propaganda&form=QB&qs=AS&pq=world+war+ii+pro#>
- Yahoo
  - <http://images.search.yahoo.com/search/images?fr=yfp-t-701-s&toggl=1&cop=mss&ei=UTF8&rd=r2&p=world%20war%20ii%20propaganda>
- Alltheweb
  - <http://www.alltheweb.com/search?cat=img&cs=utf8&q=world+war+ii+propaganda&rys=o&itag=crv>
- Picsearch
  - <http://www.picsearch.com/search.cgi?q=world+war+ii+propaganda&cols=&thumbs=&t=W9q%252B240Cnv7nk3dwgDoiYda3SH%252BvPXtczqpMCZgEb%252BY%253D>
- Alta Vista
  - <http://www.altavista.com/image/results?itag=ody&q=world+war+2+propaganda&mik=photo&mik=graphic&mip=all&mis=all&miwxh=all>
- Search 22
  - <http://www.search-22.com/downloads/images.php>

# Library Databases

- Academic Search Premier

- [http://search.ebscohost.com.ezproxy.mnl.umkc.edu/login.aspx?direct=true&db=aph&bquery=\(world+AND+war+AND+ii+AND+propaganda\)&clio=QL&clvo=Y&type=1&site=ehost-live](http://search.ebscohost.com.ezproxy.mnl.umkc.edu/login.aspx?direct=true&db=aph&bquery=(world+AND+war+AND+ii+AND+propaganda)&clio=QL&clvo=Y&type=1&site=ehost-live)

- Art Museum Images gallery

- [http://vnweb.hwwilsonweb.com.ezproxy.mnl.umkc.edu/hww/results/getResults.jhtml?DARGS=/hww/advancedsearch/advanced\\_search.jhtml.4](http://vnweb.hwwilsonweb.com.ezproxy.mnl.umkc.edu/hww/results/getResults.jhtml?DARGS=/hww/advancedsearch/advanced_search.jhtml.4)

- OAIster

- <http://quod.lib.umich.edu/cgi/b/bib/bib-idx?type=boolean&size=10&rgn1=entire+record&rgn2=entire+record&rgn3=entire+record&c=oaister&sid=6843796cd6f13afd83ba9d5a8offe118&searchfield=Entire+Record&q1=World+War+II&op2=And&searchfield=Entire+Record&q2=posters&op3=And&searchfield=Entire+Record&q3=&op6=And&rgn6=norm&restype=image&sort=weighted+hit+frequency&submit2=search>



# University collections

- Northwestern University Library Collection
  - <http://www.library.northwestern.edu/govinfo/collections/wwii-posters/>
- University of North Texas Library Digital Collection
  - <http://digital.library.unt.edu/browse/departments/rarebooks/wwpc/>
- University of Minnesota Library Digital Collection
  - <http://digital.lib.umn.edu/warposters/warpost.html>
- West Texas A&M University Library Digital Collection
  - <http://www.wtamu.edu/library/documents/posters.shtml>
- University of Washington Library Digital Collection
  - <http://content.lib.washington.edu/postersweb/#>

# Government Sources

- National Archives: Digital Posters on World War II
  - [http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/powers\\_of\\_persuasion/powers\\_of\\_persuasion\\_home.html](http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/powers_of_persuasion/powers_of_persuasion_home.html)
- National Museum of American History of the Smithsonian Institution
  - <http://americanhistory.si.edu/victory/>
- Historical Government Publications: Digital Library
  - <http://digitalcollections.smu.edu/cdm4/browse.php?CISOROOT=/hgp>
- Image Libraries: National Archives from UK
  - <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/imagelibrary/ww2/default.htm>



# Library of Congress

- Library of Congress – Print and Photograph Division
  - <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/awhhtml/awpnp6/worldwars.html>

# LibGuides and Librarian Choice

- Brandeis University Library
  - <http://brandeis.libguides.com/specialcollections>
- Librarians' Internet Index: "Website You Can Trust"
  - <http://lii.org/pub/htdocs/search?search=world%20war%20oii%20posters;action=show;searchtype=keywords>

# Famous Media Sources

- British Broadcasting Company: History of World War II
  - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/worldwars/wwtwo/>
- Life Magazine: A Photo Magazine
  - <http://www.life.com/search/?qo=world+war+ii+propaganda>
- National Geographic: Photography
  - <http://shop.nationalgeographic.com/ngs/browse/productDetail.jsp?productId=57179C&categoryId=A019&addFacet=9004:A019&navAction=jump>
- Time Magazine: Photos
  - <http://search.time.com/results.html?N=o&Nty=1&Ntt=World+War+II+propaganda>
- Newsweek: Photo Galleries
- Associated Press Archives
- Newspaper Archives (New York Times)
- Reuters

# Social Network Software

- Flickr
  - <http://www.flickr.com/search/?q=World+War+II+posters>
- Wiki: Wikimedia Commons
  - [http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/World\\_War\\_II\\_posters](http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/World_War_II_posters)
- Blog: Digg
  - [http://digg.com/arts\\_culture/Intense\\_Propaganda\\_Posters\\_of\\_World\\_War\\_II](http://digg.com/arts_culture/Intense_Propaganda_Posters_of_World_War_II)
- Facebook: Need to sign in first and then search.
- Myspace: Need to sign in first.

# Private Websites and Vendors

- Posters

- <http://www.posters.com/search.action?keyword=world+war+i+i+propaganda&s=&so=&st=1>

- About.com

- <http://womenshistory.about.com/sitesearch.htm?terms=propaganda%20posters&SUName=womenshistory&TopNode=99>

- All Posters

- <http://www.allposters.com/gallery.asp?startat=%2Fgallery.asp&CID=BA9A7BAFE0624522BFA8E7FC3EBBD355&txtSearch=World+War+II>

- World War II Pictures

- <http://world-war-pictures.com/>

# New Trends

- Google's Prototype Database: Google Similar Images
  - <http://similar-images.googlelabs.com/>
- TinEye
  - <http://tineye.com/>
- PanImages: Cross-lingual Search for Images in Google Image and Flickr
  - <http://www.panimages.org/>

# Part III: How to evaluate those image sources?

- Size of Collection
- User Friendly Search Interface
- Image Quality/Pixiles
- Delivery  
Means/Print/Save/Email/Export/Permanent URL
- Citation
- Caption/Notes
- Authority of Source/Host Agency
- Update Frequency



## Part IV: Some Concerns

- Technical Concerns: Is the size of the image too large?
- Cost: Is there a fee involved to copy or download the image?
- Copyright: Does the image have a public domain? Is it legal to download and share the images? Can I put the image in my Blackboard and social network site?



# Summary

- It is a great learning moment.
- The whole process has enriched my reference skills.
- A search strategy is needed in order to conduct an effective image search.
- It would be more beneficial for the librarian to make the class faculty aware of available image sources before the class and decide together what to demonstrate to students.

# Part V: Bibliography

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