


## The 145th

 ARL Membership Meeting

### Preservation of Research Library Materials Committee Meeting October 13, 2004

## Highlights

Convened by William Gosling, University of Michigan, Chair

- Recognizing Digitization as a Preservation Reformatting Method  
Since ARL released the digitization paper in June, it was discussed at the ALA PARS meeting and has been endorsed by five allied organizations. The committee will discuss how to promote digitization as a reformatting strategy.
- The State of Audio Preservation  
The committee will discuss the recommendations that emerged from the 2003 "Sound Savings: Preserving Audio Collections" Symposium cosponsored by ARL. Abby Smith will give a brief report on the findings of the CLIR *Survey of the State of Audio Collections in Academic Libraries* and its implications for ARL libraries.
- Report on Image Preservation Projects  
A brief update on the still image preservation project undertaken by ARL Visiting Program Officers Evelyn Frangakis (NYPL) and Jill Thomas (Boston College) and the CLIR survey on creating an image retrieval benchmarking service.
- Reports on Preservation Activities of Other Organizations
  - Library of Congress
  - Council on Library and Information Resources
  - National Endowment for the Humanities
  - Center for Research Libraries
  - Heritage Health Index
  - OCLC Online Computer Library Center, Inc.
  - Research Libraries Group (RLG)

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