What, why and how to preserve archives.

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Overview

Mission

- Organizational setting
- Historical analysis
- Collection profile
- Collection analysis
- Acquisition
- Arranging & discribing
- Conservation
- Best practices
- Service

Examples of archival elements

- Audio-file
- Personal archive
- A test

The audio file

WHAT?

Material:

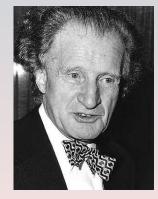


Audio tape made around 1966. Digitised 2013. • Why preserve this?

• How to preserve this ?



Source:



Gerard Croiset 1909-1980, Dutch parapsychologist.

Printed material

WHAT?

- Why preserve this?
- How to preserve this ?

Material:

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Prints of specific theses, early 1900.

Scource:



Anton Abram Grünbaum 1885-1932 Professor of developmental psychology 1928-1932 Universiteit Utrecht

Test material

WHAT?

Material



• Why preserve this?

• How to preserve this ?

Marbles and a wooden board. Probably 1950-1960.

Scource



Psychotechnical laboratory of Philips Eindhoven.

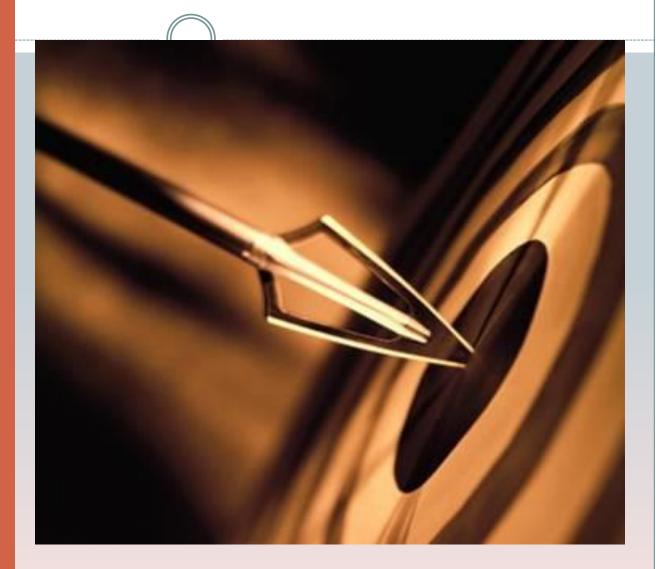
Mission

Purpose

Goals

Scope

Development



Organizational setting

Space

Facilities

Supplies

People

Autonomy

Rights and duties

Relationships

Policy



Historical analysis

Highlights

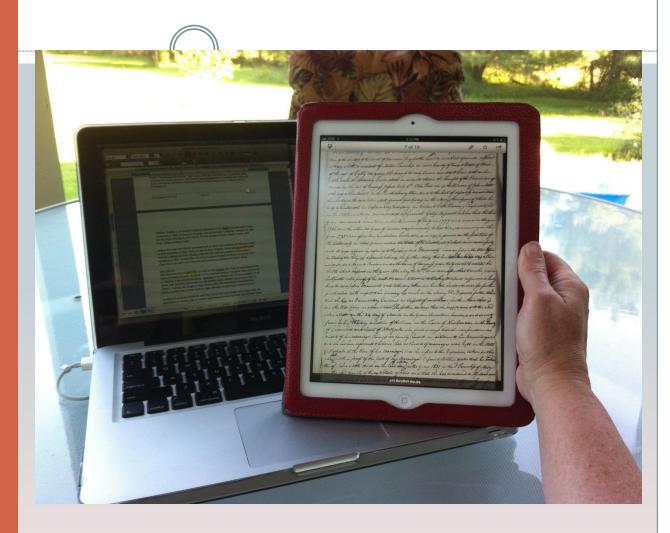
Failures

Typical events

Turning points

Crossroads

Boundaries



Collection profile

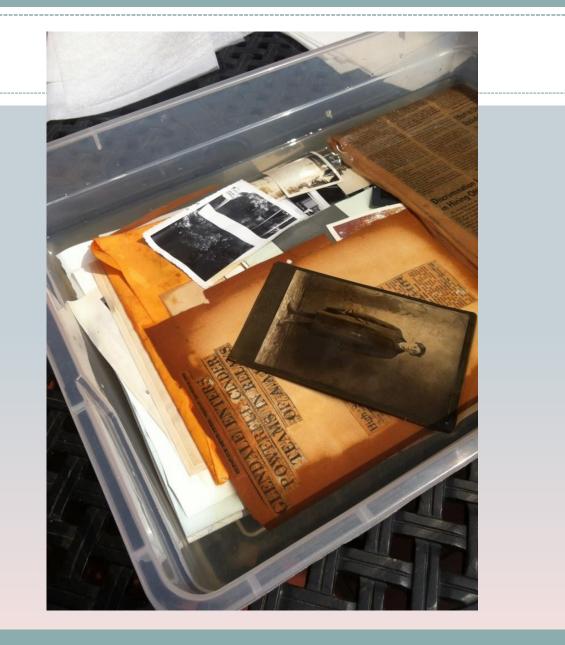
Suits mission

Suits historical outline

Availability

Of interest to different reseachers

Historical indispensible



Collection analysis

Abundency

Gaps

New materials



Acquisition

Active

Passive

Appraisal

Gift

Loan

Conditions

Storing



Arranging Discribing

Cleaning Sorting Packing Classical inventory ISAD(G)

International



Conservation Security Privacy

Conditions

Open or closed

Visitor rules

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Privacy laws
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Best practices

Packaging Dusting Spooling

Updating









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Service

Visitors

Advice

Publications

Exhibits

Educational programs



Concluding

Audiofile of Croiset Archive of Grünbaum Test from Philips

- Mission/organization/profile
- Analysis
- Acquisition
- Arranging/discribing/conservation
- Best practicis (quality of care)
- Service (marketing)



