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Providing Tools to Sustain Community Organizations

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Community Organizations

Valuable collections in community

- Valuable tools in academic libraries
 - i.e. institutional repositories, content management systems, visualization tools
- Opportunities to form partnerships, collaborate and bring greater awareness to local organizations



Background: Jacksonville History Consortium

- 2003: Jacksonville History Consortium (JHC) resulted from assessment performed by Jacksonville Historical Society
- 2016: Jacksonville Historical Society did first Strategic Plan involving Consortium members
- 2017: surveyed local history organizations as to content and themes of their archives based on recommendations from Strategic Plan
 - Fillable PDF survey
 - 31 organizations responded



Background: How Partnership Formed

- 2017: UNF Library approached about participating in Jacksonville History Consortium
 - Opportunity to help preserve, sustain, and bring greater awareness to the historical collections in the Jacksonville region
 - Provide tools to manipulate and share survey data
- Powerful community collaboration formed between the UNF Library and JHC



Preserving Information: Digital Commons

- Created collection in Digital Commons, our institutional repository
- Added searchable PDF version of the local survey results
 - Accessible and searchable
 - Information and data preserved
- Discovered it wasn't robust enough to find information



Improving Access to Information: LibWizard

- Created online survey form using Springshare's LibWizard
 - Input PDF version of survey results into the LibWizard survey form
 - Generate report in CSV format
- Effective way to gather data and reports in the future



LibWizard Survey Form and Report

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Improving Access to Information: Tableau

- What is Tableau?
 - A data visualization tool that helps you see and understand your data
- Why Tableau?
 - Allowed us to create a robust, interactive report of survey data using CSV file from the LibWizard survey
 - Easily find information about the historical collections in the Jacksonville area



Tableau Report

Jacksonville History Consortium Archival Holdings

Time Period

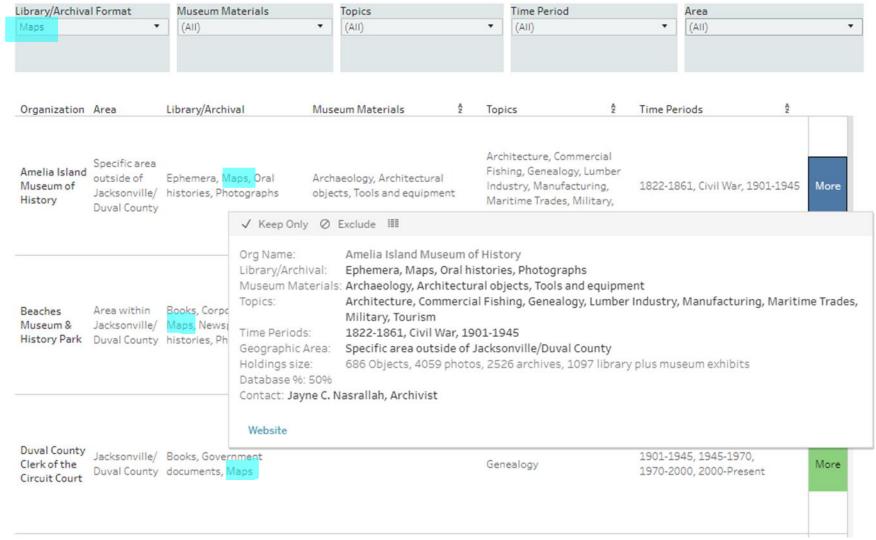
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Tableau Report: More Information



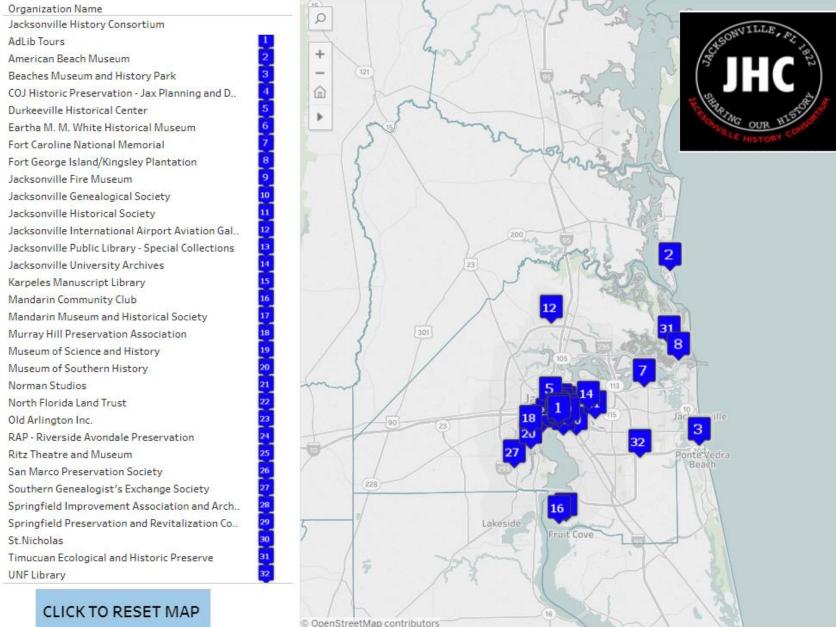
Improving Access to Information: Tableau map

- Created interactive map of member organizations
 - See where organizations are located
 - Access Google Maps showing exact location
 - Access website of organizations

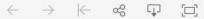


Members Map

Jacksonville History Consortium Members

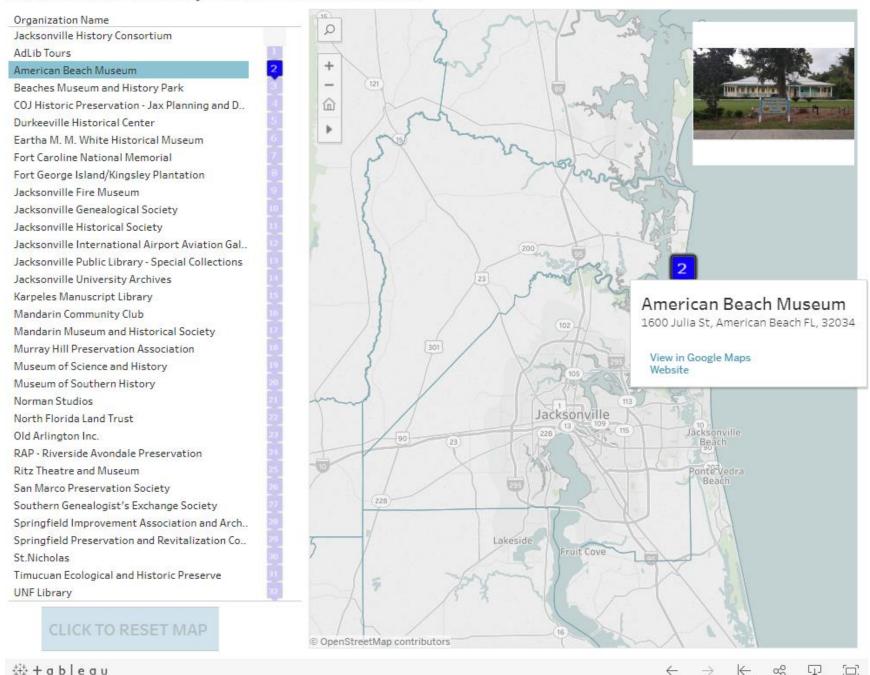






Members Map: Select an Organization

Jacksonville History Consortium Members



Improving Access to Information: LibGuides

- Created Jacksonville History Consortium website using Springshare's LibGuides: https://libguides.unf.edu/jhc
 - Information about the Consortium easily accessible from one resource
 - Search for information about the organizations
- Brings more recognition to the organizations and the collections they house



Jacksonville History Consortium site



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Jacksonville History Consortium

Home Members Map Story Map Archival Information

About

In 2003, the Jacksonville History Consortium resulted from an assessment of Jacksonville's many diverse and geographically dispersed historical organizations. Harry Reagan and Emily Lisska (then Board President and Executive Director, respectively, of the Jacksonville Historical Society), recognized that local history institutions would benefit from stronger connections among themselves and with the larger Jacksonville community.

Since then, interest and participation in the Consortium has ebbed and flowed, but today, it's stronger than ever. This website, and the companion brochure, demonstrate the Consortium's vibrant spirit of collaboration, and its purpose of sharing information among member organizations and with Jacksonville's citizens and visitors. The Consortium is a model for local history practices in a large, diverse community.

The information tabs above represent most of the organizations involved in presenting and preserving Jacksonville's history. They exist to help you locate what you want to learn. The tabs will allow the user to view the following information:

- Members' Map of organizations listing the members' names and showing their locations on a map. Each location icon allows the user
 to access a Google map of the organizations' location as well as the organizations website.
- . Story Map is a brief story about each organization with contact information and a map denoting its location.
- Archival Information of historical organizations that maintain archives. This allows the user to sort by details in the following categories:
 - Library / Archival Content
 - Museum Materials
 - Topics
 - Time Period
 - Geographic Area

Enjoy exploring Jacksonville's complex and fascinating past, which helps us understand its present and imagine the future!

To learn more about the consortium and their members, visit their new sister site here:





Project Also Included...



- ESRI Story Mapping
 - Brief story about each organization along with contact information and a map denoting their location
- Marketing in the Community
 - New and improved brochure with link to website created and distributed throughout the community
 - New brand and graphics created



In Summary

- Utilized tools at the UNF Library to bring greater awareness and visibility to the Jacksonville History Consortium and it's members
 - LibWizard effectively gathers information about the historical collections
 - Tableau visually communicates information, rather than just data, to help tell the story of the Consortium
 - LibGuide serves as the repository of dynamic and robust data driven information about the members: https://libguides.unf.edu/jhc
- Opportunity to shape future collection development individually and across the Consortium



Next Steps

- Continue to explore opportunities to collaborate to preserve and sustain the vast history of the greater Jacksonville region
- Continue to explore ways to help shape the future of the historical collections in our community:
 - Evaluate collections: identify gaps/overlaps
 - Direct researchers and potential donors
 - Expand use of Digital Commons (i.e. vintage materials, images)



Final Thoughts

 Communities are filled with valuable collections in need of being preserved, sustained, and discovered

 Through conversations in the community, partnerships can form and bring together diverse people to enhance the discovery of materials in our own backyards



Questions?

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