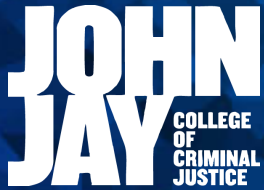




Mug Shots, Rap Sheets, & Oral Histories

Building the New Digital
Collections at John Jay



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Presentation outline

- History of digital projects
- Sneak peek at beta site
- Behind the scenes of CollectiveAccess
- Next steps

Title page image: "Identification photograph of Leonard Cohen, Irving Moskowitz, Anthony Maffatorre alias Dukey, Abraham Levine, alias Pretty." 1937, Burton B. Turkus Papers, Lloyd Sealy Library Digital Collections.



A PATROLMAN INVESTIGATING THE TROUBLES OF ONE OF HIS SMALL CHARGES

"A patrolman investigating the troubles of one of his small charges." NYPD 1915 Annual Report. Lloyd Sealy Library Digital Collections

History of digital projects at JJ

- **Crime in New York*** (c.2006)
 - Trial Transcripts of the County of New York 1883–1927
 - Papers of Burton Turkus & Lewis Lawes
- **DSpace** (2011)
 - Various items added piecemeal
- **Internet Archive*** (2012)
 - 80+ special collections books scanned

* Funded by METRO grant

PRISONER'S CRIMINAL RECORD | POLICE DEPARTMENT | CITY OF NEW YORK | NUMBER OF FINGER IN GALLERY 3 - 80647

NAME Frank Lobiasecio ALIAS

CRIMINAL RECORD (as far as known)

4-8-33	as Frank Lobiasecio, Manhattan, Grand Larceny. On 4-22-30 Discharged, Mag. Hall, 2 Court. Off. Brown, 23 Sgd.
6-1-30	as Frank Lobiasecio, NYU, Felonious Assault. On 5-4-30 Discharged, Judge Holt, Court of General Sessions. Off. Frank and Sage, 23 Sgd.
8-25-31	as Frank Lobiasecio, Manhattan, Grand Larceny. On 8-2-31 Discharged, Mag. De Luca, 2 Court. Off. Anderson, 23 Sgd.
1-28-33	as Frank Lobiasecio, Queens, Homicide (Gun). On 2-10-33 Discharged, Mag. Harris, 2 Court. Off. Gervile, 23 Sgd.
2-17-39	as Frank Lobiasecio, Manhattan, Grand Larceny (Fake gold). On 2-14-39 Discharged, Governor, Police Ct. Off. Finck and Adonisio, 27 Sgd.

10-26-40

This certifies that Finger Impressions of the above-named defendant have been taken, and the above is a true copy of the records of this Department. RECORD MADE BY

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X Represents notations transcribed by Experts in Bureau of Criminal Identification Bldg.

Prisoner's Criminal Record of Frank Lobiasecio. 1930. Burton B. Turkus Papers, Lloyd Sealy Library Digital Collections.

Consolidating digital efforts

Lloyd Sealy Library Digital Collections:

Burton Turkus Papers

Justice in New York: An Oral History

Lewis Lawes Papers

Internet Archive-scanned books

Trial Transcripts

John Jay College Archives

Internet Archive books

More collections!

Previous digital projects

New digital projects

Sneak peek!

dc.lib.jjay.cuny.edu



- collectiveaccess.org
- Open source
- CMS for libraries, archives, & museums
- Other local users:
 - New Museum
 - Queens Memory Project
 - Launching 2014:
 - BAM
 - 9/11 Memorial & Museum
 - NY State Archives
 - New School Archives & Special Collections
- Consultants: Openflows (openflows.org)

CollectiveAccess features

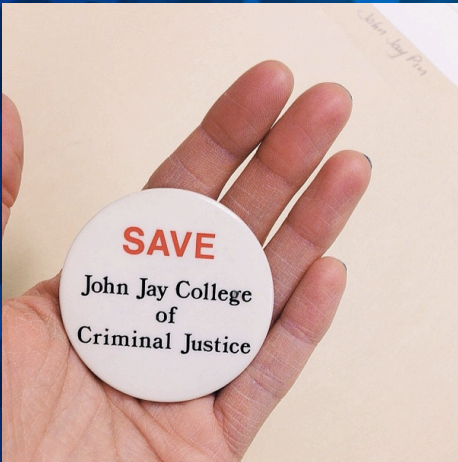
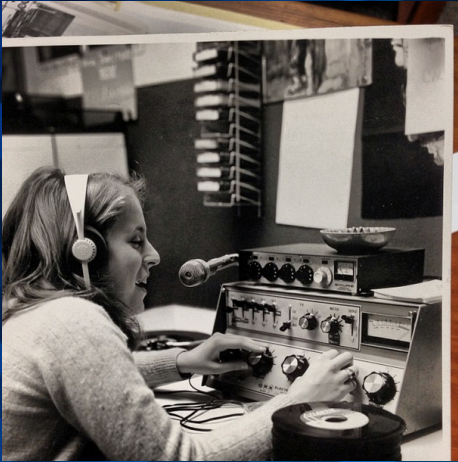
- Robustly customizable metadata
 - Out-of-the-box Dublin Core
 - Connects to LCSH and other vocabulary APIs
- Batch-upload & -process images
- Designed to be a catalog and public UI
- Approachable developers and growing community

POLICE DEPARTMENT CITY OF NEW YORK		No.
		1380847
Name	Frank La Bassio	
Alias		
Residence	310 W 26 St	
Crime	Homicide (Gun)	
Age	29	Height 5-8
Weight	230	Build Med
Hair	dk chest	Eyes Brown
Color	W	Comp. dk
Born	Italy	
Occupation	undertaking	
Date of Arrest	1-29-33	
Officer	Duffy	
Remarks	110 Sq	
F. P. CLASS		

Reverse of Mug shots of Frank Lobiascio. 1933, Burton B. Turkus Papers, Lloyd Sealy Library Digital Collections

Next steps

- Outreach
 - 2014–15: 50th Anniversary
 - Social media: Mugshot Mondays & Throwback Thursdays
 - Advertise as curricular resource
- Growth
 - Migrate all Trial Transcripts
 - Partner with other John Jay depts to scan & upload items from the Archives



Items from the John Jay
College of Criminal
Justice Archives, Lloyd
Sealy Library

Why?

- Continuing commitment to research materials & gifts to the Library
- Continued promotion of John Jay as a research site
- “Public access is tactical preservation.”
Bethany Nowviskie, “Reality Bytes”

Thanks! Questions?

*The Lloyd Sealy Library Digital Collections
will launch for the public in spring 2014.*

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