Open Access: Three Perspectives
The Library as Publisher

G.W.Brian Owen
Associate University Librarian
Simon Fraser University Library
brian_owen@sfu.ca

Focus

- Electronic journals
- Libraries as publishers

Outline

- What is Open Access?
- Current Status of Open Access
- OJS at SFU Library
- Synergies Project
- Some key issues/questions

OA Definitions from OED

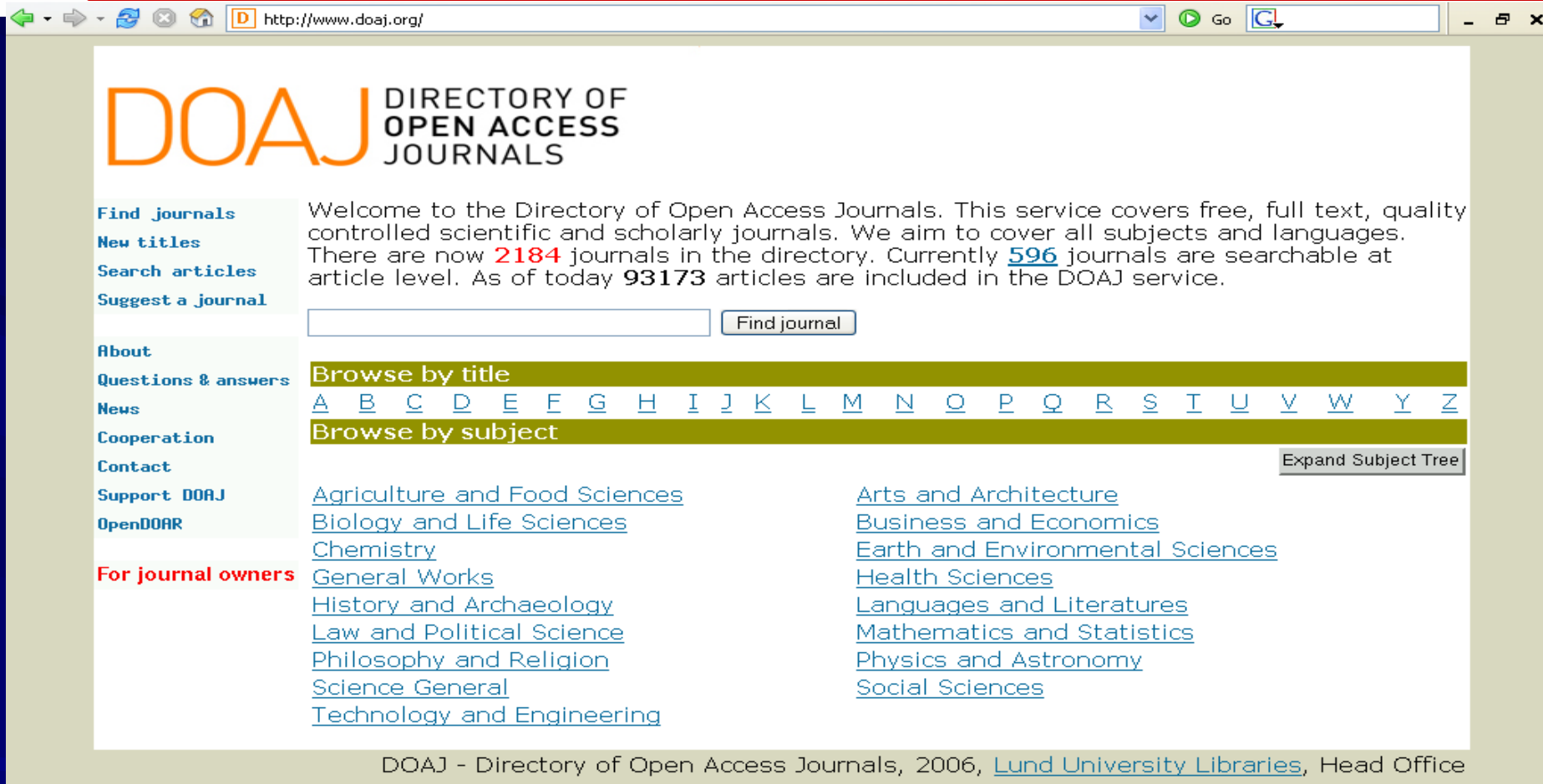
- **1.** Unrestricted admission or access (in early use freq. with reference to accepting or permitting sexual advances); an unimpeded approach; usu. with *to* and noun or pronoun. Also: the theory or policy of being accessible to all. **1602** T. DEKKER *Blurt Master-Constable* sig. E3v, By this meanes your secret friend may haue free and open accesse to you, vnder the cullour of pricking you lessons.
- **2.** *Library Science*. Direct and unrestricted access for readers to the shelves on which publications are kept; the system or policy of such access. **1894** *Library* Nov. 344 There is absolutely no novelty about the principle of open access.

More OA Definitions

- “Open access literature is digital, online, free of charge, and free of most copyright and licensing restrictions.” (Suber)
- “It is about being able to find and read research and scholarship online at no additional cost.” (Willinsky)

OA Definition from DOAJ

- **Open Access** (Directory of Open Access Journals): We define open access journals as journals that use a funding model that does not charge readers or their institutions for access. From the BOAI definition [1] of "open access" we take the right of "users to read, download, copy, distribute, print, search, or link to the full texts of these articles" as mandatory for a journal to be included in the directory.


http://www.doaj.org/
Go
DOAJ DIRECTORY OF OPEN ACCESS JOURNALS
Find journals
New titles
Search articles
Suggest a journal
About
Questions & answers
News
Cooperation
Contact
Support DOAJ
OpenDOAR
For journal owners
Welcome to the Directory of Open Access Journals. This service covers free, full text, quality controlled scientific and scholarly journals. We aim to cover all subjects and languages. There are now 2184 journals in the directory. Currently 596 journals are searchable at article level. As of today 93173 articles are included in the DOAJ service.
Find journal
Browse by title
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W Y Z
Browse by subject
Expand Subject Tree
Agriculture and Food Sciences
Arts and Architecture
Biology and Life Sciences
Business and Economics
Chemistry
Earth and Environmental Sciences
General Works
Health Sciences
History and Archaeology
Languages and Literatures
Law and Political Science
Mathematics and Statistics
Philosophy and Religion
Physics and Astronomy
Science General
Social Sciences
Technology and Engineering
DOAJ - Directory of Open Access Journals, 2006, Lund University Libraries, Head Office

Budapest Open Access Initiative

- “from a small but lively meeting convened in Budapest by the Open Society Institute (OSI) on December 1-2, 2001. The purpose of the meeting was to accelerate progress in the international effort to make research articles in all academic fields freely available on the internet.”
- http://www.soros.org/openaccess

OA Definition from BOAI

- free availability on the public internet, permitting any users to read, download, copy, distribute, print, search, or link to the full texts of these articles, crawl them for indexing, pass them as data to software, or use them for any other lawful purpose, without financial, legal, or technical barriers other than those inseparable from gaining access to the internet itself. The only constraint on reproduction and distribution, and the only role for copyright in this domain, should be to give authors control over the integrity of their work and the right to be properly

Adoption of OA Policies

- More universities adopting an OA policy, (none in Canada)
- More funding agencies mandating OA: National Institutes of Health (NIH); Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC)
- Commercial vendors adapting OA policies: Blackwell, Oxford, Springer

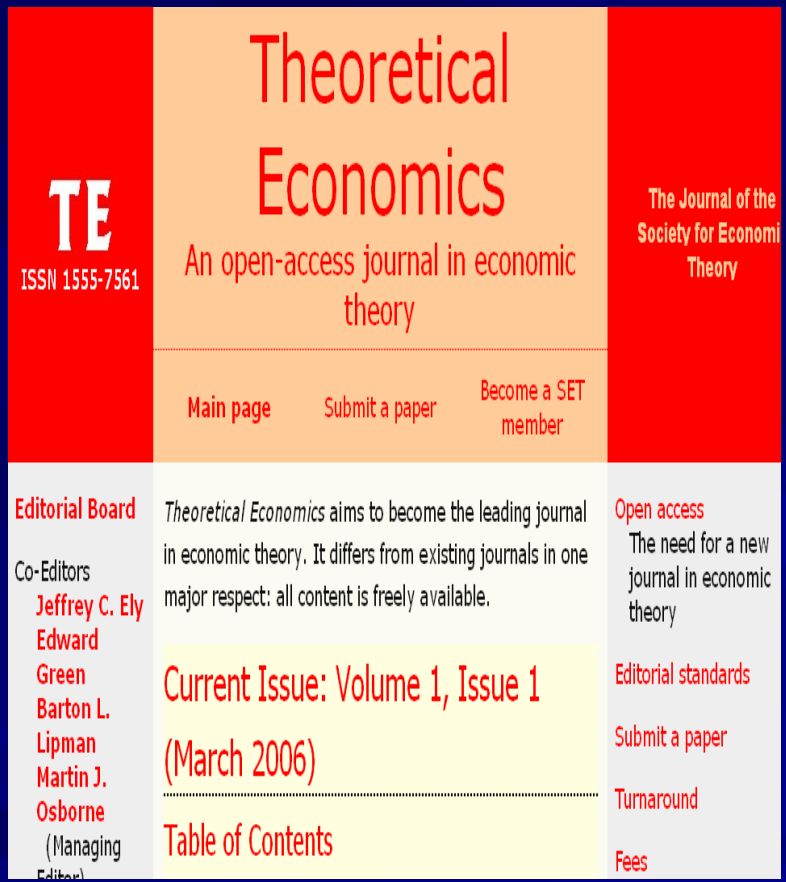
Impact Factor

- "...five BMC journals ranked in the top five journals in their specialties, and PLoS Biology, in its first year with an impact factor, scored a 13.9, making it the number one journal in the category of general biology." (from SPARC Open Access Newsletter, January 2006)
- "An OA distribution model did not appreciably alter the performance of a journal, either positively or negatively." (from Thomson ISI Web of Science Study

"The Facts About Open Access"

- Study by Association of Learned and Professional Society Publishers, October 2005
- 41% of Full Open Access journals operated with a shortfall, compared with 24% that broke even, and 35% that made a surplus.
- 74% of OA journals have never published a print edition.
- http://www.alpsp.org/default.htm

OJS at SFU Library



OJS at SFU Library

CANADIAN JOURNAL of COMMUNICATION

Home | Current | Back Issues | About | Subscribe | Notices | Theses | Login | Notify | Contact | Search

CJC Home — open journal systems

The objective of the Canadian Journal of Communication is to publish Canadian research and scholarship in the field of communication and journalism studies. In pursuing this objective, particular attention is paid to research that has a distinctive Canadian flavour by virtue of choice of topic or by drawing on the legacy of Canadian theory and research. The purview of the journal is the entire field of communication and journalism studies as practiced in Canada or with relevance to Canada.

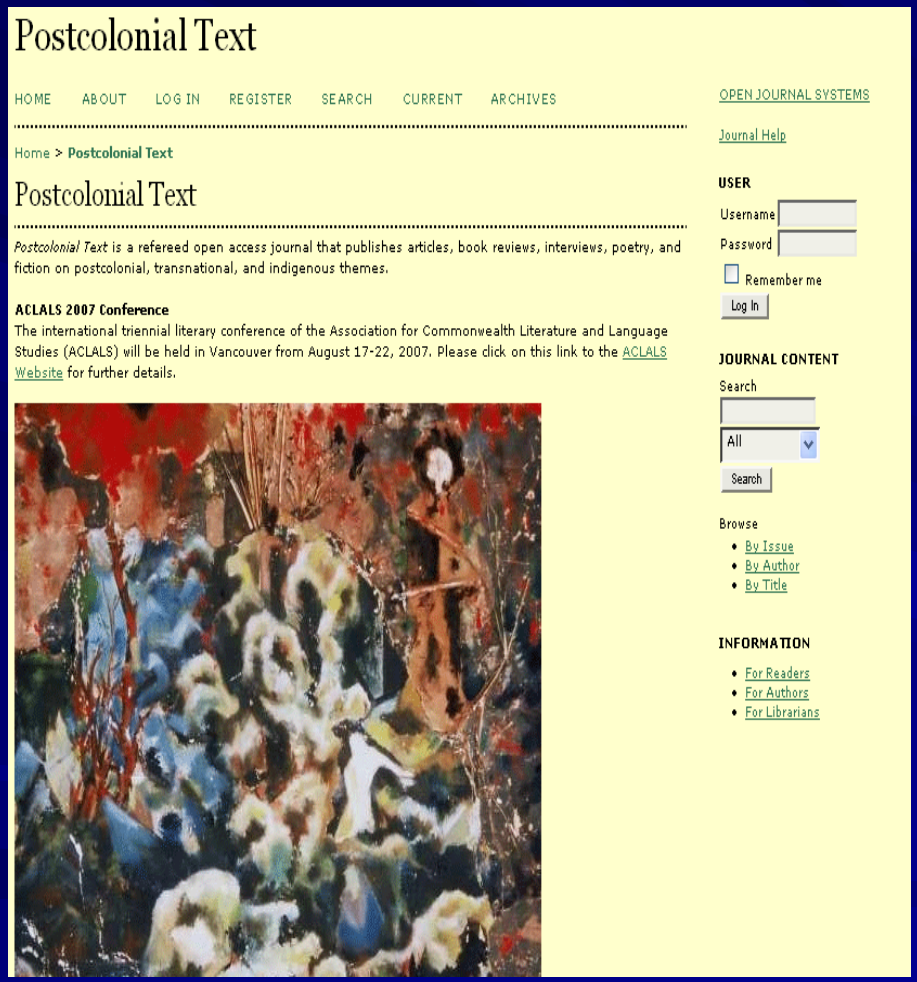
The Canadian Journal of Communication is a print and online quarterly. Back issues are accessible online without restriction. Access to the most recent year's issues, including the current issue, requires a subscription. Subscribers now have access to all issues online from Volume 1, Issue 1 to Volume 31, Issue 1.

To subscribe, please click here.

Submit! Subscribe!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OJS at SFU Library



Lead Institution

Université de Montréal

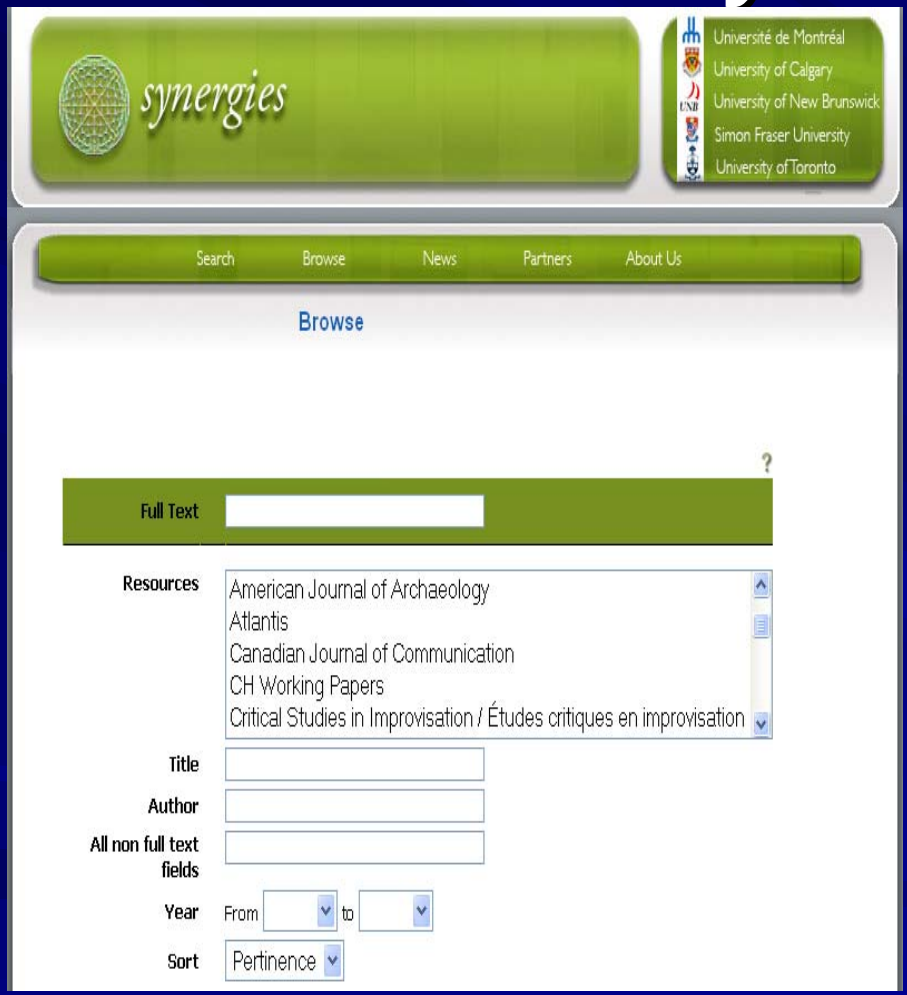
Principal Partners

University of Calgary, **University of New Brunswick**, **Simon Fraser University**, and **University of Toronto**.

Associated Partners

Windsor University, York University, University of Guelph, University of British Columbia, University of Victoria, Malaspina University College, Acadia University, Dalhousie University, Memorial University, Mount Saint Vincent University, St. Francis Xavier University, University of Alberta, University of Lethbridge, University of Winnipeg, University of Regina, University of Saskatchewan, Athabasca University, Université Laval, Université du Québec à Montréal, McGill U.

Synergies


synergies
Université de Montréal
University of Calgary
University of New Brunswick
Simon Fraser University
University of Toronto
Search
Browse
News
Partners
About Us
Browse
Full Text
Resources
American Journal of Archaeology
Atlantis
Canadian Journal of Communication
CH Working Papers
Critical Studies in Improvisation / Études critiques en improvisation
Title
Author
All non full text fields
Year
From
to
Sort
Pertinence

Synergies

ACADIENSIS
JOURNAL OF THE HISTORY OF THE ATLANTIC REGION
REVUE DE L'HISTOIRE DE LA RÉGION L'ATLANTIQUE
HOME ABOUT LOG IN REGISTER SEARCH
CURRENT ARCHIVES
Journal Help
USER
Username
Password
Remember me
Log In
Home >
Acadiensis
Established in 1971, Acadiensis is a journal of regional history devoted to the study of Atlantic Canada. The essential source for reading and research on the region, Acadiensis is one of Canada's leading scholarly journals.
JOURNAL CONTENT
Search
All
Search

Key Issues

- What does open access offer public and other libraries, especially with respect to a potential role as publisher?

http://www.theharrow.com/journal/index.php

the Harrow

Home | Current | Announcements (Blog) | Books | About | Login | Harrow Classic | Submit | Archives | Search

Harrow Home > Vol. 9, No. 4 (2006) open journal systems

The Harrow is an online reviewed literary magazine devoted to publishing original and complete works of fantasy and horror.

articles

Fiction Contest & Anthology Call for Stories — HTML
Michael R. Colangelo

fiction

Blood Red Wine — HTML
Brian J Slattery

http://www.americanmorrisnews.org/

Go

In Celebration of Morris In America:
Our 25th Anniversary Issue!

The American Morris Newsletter

Current Issue | Past Issues | Useful Links | Search This Site | Contact Us

AMN Home

http://journals.sfu.ca/gladstone/

GLADSTONE SECONDARY SCHOOL

The Pink Voice

THE PINK VOICE

Home | Current | Archives | About | Login | Notify | Contact | Search

TPV Home > Vol. 2, No. 1 (2005) open journal systems

Everyone is entitled to their personal opinions. One cannot be defined by what others may say or think, but rather by what he or she may say or do. By definition, we are The Pink Voice...together.

The Pink Voice is an online journal published yearly. Welcome to our second edition. Topics include creative writing, found poems, philosophical thoughts, fashion, and a continuous story. Authors of The Pink Voice are all grade nine and ten girls from Gladstone Secondary School, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. We'd like to thank Dr. John Willinsky from the University of British Columbia for his generous support.

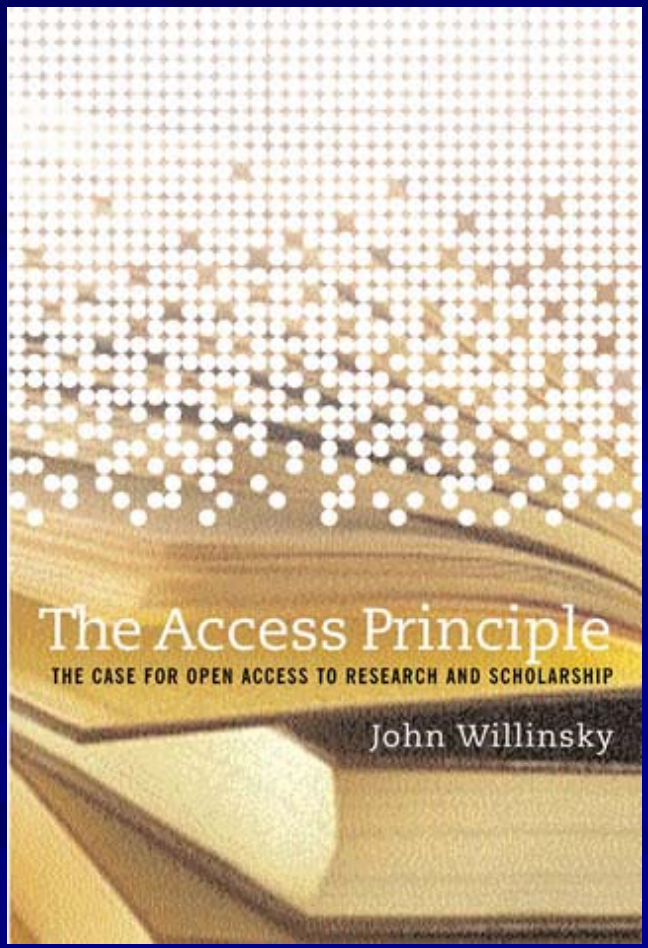
Key Issues

- Is open access publishing economically viable?
- Is academic publishing economically viable?
- Are libraries economically viable?

Key Issues

- Appropriate roles for libraries in supporting open access?
- What if....
- A metaphor

The Access Principle



- "A commitment to the value and quality of research carries with it a responsibility to extend the circulation of such work as far as possible and ideally to all who are interested in it and

“The Library As Archivist”

Institutional Repositories – Some Definitions

- “an electronic system that captures, preserves, and provides access to the digital work products of a community” (Foster and Gibbons, 2005)
- “The IR is a digital archive, owned and maintained at either departmental or institutional level” (Loughborough University)
- “it is a Web-based archive of scholarly material produced by the members of a defined institution” (Chan, 2004)

Institutional Repositories – Some Definitions (cont.)

- “A university-based institutional repository is a set of services that a university offers to the members of its community for the management and dissemination of digital materials created by the institution and its community members. It is most essentially an organizational commitment to the stewardship of these digital materials, including long-term preservation where appropriate, as well as organization and access or distribution.” (Lynch, 2003)

Institutional Repositories – Some Definitions (cont.)

- "An institutional repository (IR) is a digital collection of a university's intellectual output. Institutional repositories centralize, preserve, and make accessible the knowledge generated by academic institutions. They also form part of a larger global system of repositories, which are indexed in a standardized way and searchable using one interface, providing the foundation for a new model of scholarly publishing." (Canadian Association of Research Libraries)

IR Software

- Registry of Open Access Repositories (http://archives.eprints.org/) lists about 15 types of IR software (incl. “other”)
- Guide to Institutional Repository Software (www.soros.org/openaccess/software/) lists 9 types of IR software
  - D-Space (www.dspace.org)(MIT)
  - EPrints (www.eprints.org) (University of Southampton)

What Goes Into IRs

- The digital output of a community
- Can find:
  - Articles – pre-prints and/or post-prints
  - Theses, dissertations
  - Learning objects
  - Working papers
  - Conference papers
  - Reports
  - Entire journals – IR is the “home” for the journal
  - AV material

The Canadian IR Scene

- Directory of Open Access Repositories (www.opendoar.org) – 18 Canadian repositories
- Registery of Open Access Repositories (http://archives.eprints.org) – 33 Canadian repositories
- CARL Institutional Repositories Project ((http://www.carl-abrc.ca/projects/institutional_repositories/institutional_repositories-e.html) – 15 Canadian repositories

Some Issues

- Getting content into IRs
- OA material vs. restricted material in IRs
- Born digital vs. made digital
- Costs
- Institutional repositories vs. subject repositories - Open Access Repositories (OAR)

“The role of open access in the careers of upcoming professionals”

Students

Tailor your program & activities to include OA

- Practicum, Co-Op, Professional Experience Project
- Topic for papers, group projects
- Publish summaries of OA speaking events (BCLA Reporter, Feliciter, E-LIS)
- Write articles on OA for publication in LIS journals
- Self-archive your OA work in E-LIS
- Educate your professors
- Join the BCLA Information Policy Committee

Students

Get involved in developing the tools

- Digitization, access, and preservation projects for local groups (non-profits, community organizations, museums, galleries, libraries)
- Help develop open source tools (OJS)
- Help design impact measurements (like citation correlator) that take advantage of the many new kinds of usage data available for OA sources;
- Participate in the Open Archives Initiative; subscribe to mailing lists (general or technical discussion group)

Students

Take your expectations of the scholarly communications process with you

Librarians (and/or Students)

- **Join SPARC (Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition) (http://www.arl.org/sparc/)**
  - **Consortium of academic libraries actively promoting OA**
  - **Join its listserv (SOAF -- the SPARC Open Access Forum)**

Librarians (and/or Students)

- Include OA journals in the library catalogue

- Directory of Open Access Journals offers its journal metadata free for downloading

Librarians (and/or Students)

Learn (more) about IR's

Collaborate with other librarians to launch an OA, OAI-compliant IR

"OAI-compliant" = can search across OAI-compliant archives without visiting separate archives and running separate searches

Educate faculty and administrators on IRs

Librarians (and/or Students)

Once you've got an IR…

- **Help faculty deposit their articles**
- **Register your IR at**

http://archives.eprints.org/eprints.php?action=add

- **Register official self-archiving policy at**

http://www.eprints.org/openaccess/policysignup/sign.php

- **Feature "Faculty article of the day" (from your IR) on university homepage**

Librarians (and/or Students)

Consider publishing an OA journal

"Guide to Business Planning for Launching a New Open Access Journal"

http://www.soros.org/openaccess/oajguides/html/business_planning.htm

SPARC's list of journal management software

http://www.arl.org/sparc/resources/pubres.html

Librarians (and/or Students)

Get (more) informed about The Big Deal

Peter Suber's list of documents from universities that have issued public statements about their concerns and/or rejection of The Big Deal
http://www.earlham.edu/~peters/fos/lists.htm#actions

Librarians (and/or Students)

Join the BCLA Information Policy Committee

Join the IPC discussion list
http://www.bcpl.gov.bc.ca/bcla/bcla/listservs/

Your Speakers

- G.W. Brian Owen
  Associate Univ. Libn. Processing & Systems
  Simon Fraser University Library
  Tel: (604) 268-7095
  brian_owen@sfu.ca
- Andrew Waller
  Serials Librarian
  University of Calgary
  Tel: (403) 220-8133
  waller@ucalgary.ca
- Lesley Perkins
  Information Management Systems Librarian
  Research & Knowledge Centre
  Canada Border Services Agency
  Tel: (604) 666-0812
  Lesley.Perkins@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca