# Wisconsin Museums Digital Library FAQs

**How Do You Access the Collection?**
The collection is not publicly available due to copyright restrictions, however, for those who have received permission and login credentials can access the digital library through this link:
http://cdm15851.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/landingpage/collection/p15851coll193

**How Do You Find Items on the Collection?**
Users can either browse or search for items. See the two following FAQs for more detail on each process.

**How Can You Browse the Collection?**
For browsing, users can browse all items in the collection through selecting that option on the main navigation bar, or users could browse by three distinct types of museums represented on the Digital Library – Art, History, Science and Natural History, or Special Museums – which are found in the same main menu. On the homepage, there is also a list of suggested topics that include a selection of the museums found on the Digital Library and some themes that are prevalent across institutions.

**How Can You Search Collection?**
For searching, users can do a simple search or an advanced search. For general search tips, see the "Help" page of the collection, on the top-right of the main navigation bar, or try this link:
http://cdm15851.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/helpdocs/collection/p15851coll193

**How Do You View or Play Images/PDFs or Audio/Video Files?**
For images and audio files, users can view or listen to the items on the Digital Library's website. For PDFs and video files, users can select a link that will open the PDF on their computer or open a new tab in their internet browser with the webpage containing the video. Videos may or may not play automatically when the page is opened.

**How Was the Content for the Collection Selected?**
Content had to match two major collection development criteria. First, the material had to be about a museum located in Wisconsin. Second, the item had to document the history of the museum or the state. See the "About" page for detailed information about the collection development policy.

**Where Did the Content for the Collection Come From?**
Content was found on the internet. If the item does not link to the webpage when it is accessed within its record, then a URL link is included in the source field of the item's description.

**Can You Reuse Content from this Collection?**
The Wisconsin Museums Digital Library does not hold copyrights for any of the content in the collection. However, copyright information is included for each item if applicable and source material also can direct users to the original item on the internet, which often contains more information about their policies for reuse.

**Which Institutions Are Included in the Collection?**
The Wisconsin Museums Digital Library assembles material about all museums in Wisconsin, but its collections are strongest for institutions in Southeastern Wisconsin. As of May 3, 2017, materials about the following museums are included in the collection (with their initials as designated for the digital library):
- Harley-Davidson Museum (HDM)
- Milwaukee Art Museum (MAM)
- Milwaukee Public Museum (MPM)
- Museum of Wisconsin Art (MWA)
- National Mustard Museum (NMM)
- Neville Public Museum (NPM)
- Old World Wisconsin (OWW)
- Racine Art Museum (RAM)
- Taliesin (TAL)
- University of Wisconsin Geology Museum (WGM)
- Wisconsin Historical Museum (WHM)

**Do You Have More Questions?**
Contact us at rueding4@uwm.edu with your questions and comments.