

Dance Heritage Coalition Dance Preservation and Digitization Project (DPDP)

NDSA Content Working Group

National Agenda Area: Moving Image and Recorded Sound

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DPDP Project Areas

- Moving Image Digitization
- Preservation storage of moving image digital files
- archive.danceheritage.org
- Moving image records (National Union Catalog of Moving Images) and metadata



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Digitization Hubs

- Hubs in New York City (VHS + MiniDV), Washington, D.C. (VHS + MiniDV), and San Francisco (VHS + Hi-8)
- Funding from NEA for 2 new hubs (equipment)
- 1 preservation technician at each hub
- The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation helps fund staff and digitization



NYC hub at Dance Notation Bureau.
Photo by Kat Bell (2011).



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Value of Working One-on-One

- TRUST, we are more successful working one-on-one
- Curation Issues, lack of inventory & time
- Metadata
- Cost
- Many items never be given to a repository (this doesn't discount the importance of content)



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