

# Developing Library Strategy for 3D and Virtual Reality Collection Development and Reuse (LIB3DVR) Project

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## 3D/VR Content Creation and Publishing



[https://www.ncr.vt.edu/discovery/research\\_center\\_arlington.html](https://www.ncr.vt.edu/discovery/research_center_arlington.html)

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# DC Forum Categories

- 3D scanning and modeling
- Storage, access, and management
- Integration of 3D data into existing research and scholarly communication services
- Metadata requirements

# University of Oklahoma – Norman Tom Love Innovation Hub\*

(aka iHub, aka LoveHub)

## 3D/VR Visualization and Analysis



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# Oklahoma Forum Categories

- 3D/VR tools
- Using VR to Support Other Library Services
- Human-centered issues of 3D/VR technology use
- Modifying/Repurposing 3D Models

Chicago, IL\*

(Rosemont – The Reston of Chicago)

# 3D/VR Repository Practice and Standards



# Chicago Attendees

- John Bates, Chicago Field Museum
- JP Brown, Chicago Field Museum
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- Meghan McCarthy, NIH 3D Print Exchange
- Jaime Mears, National Digital Initiatives, Library of Congress
- Jennifer Moore, Washington University - St. Louis
- April Isch Neander, University of Chicago
- Mark Phillips, University of North Texas
- Helen Robbins, Chicago Field Museum
- Stefan Serbicki, Electronic Arts
- Kate Webbink, Chicago Field Museum
- David Wilcox, Duraspace

# Chicago Categories

- National Repository and Preservation Efforts
- 3D/VR repository policies and practices
- Implications for different levels of library support
- Implications for existing digital preservation models and practices

# Nominal Group Technique



# 3D Modeling for Reuse









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**Aesthetics**

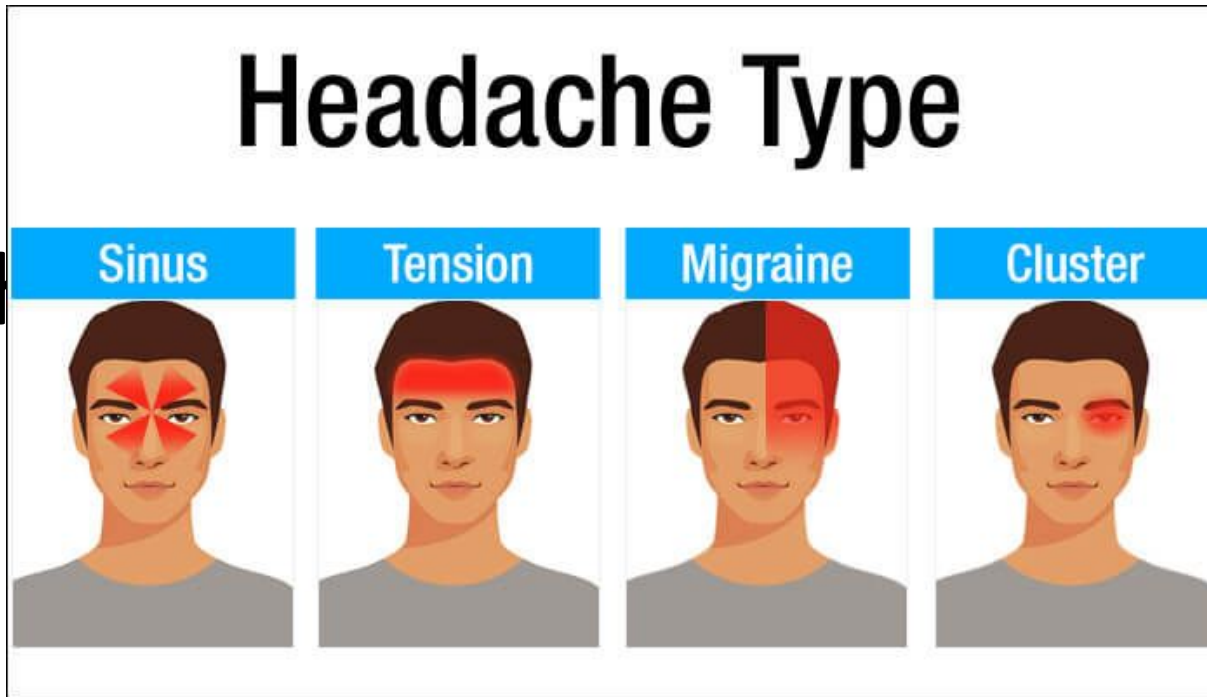


**Preservation**

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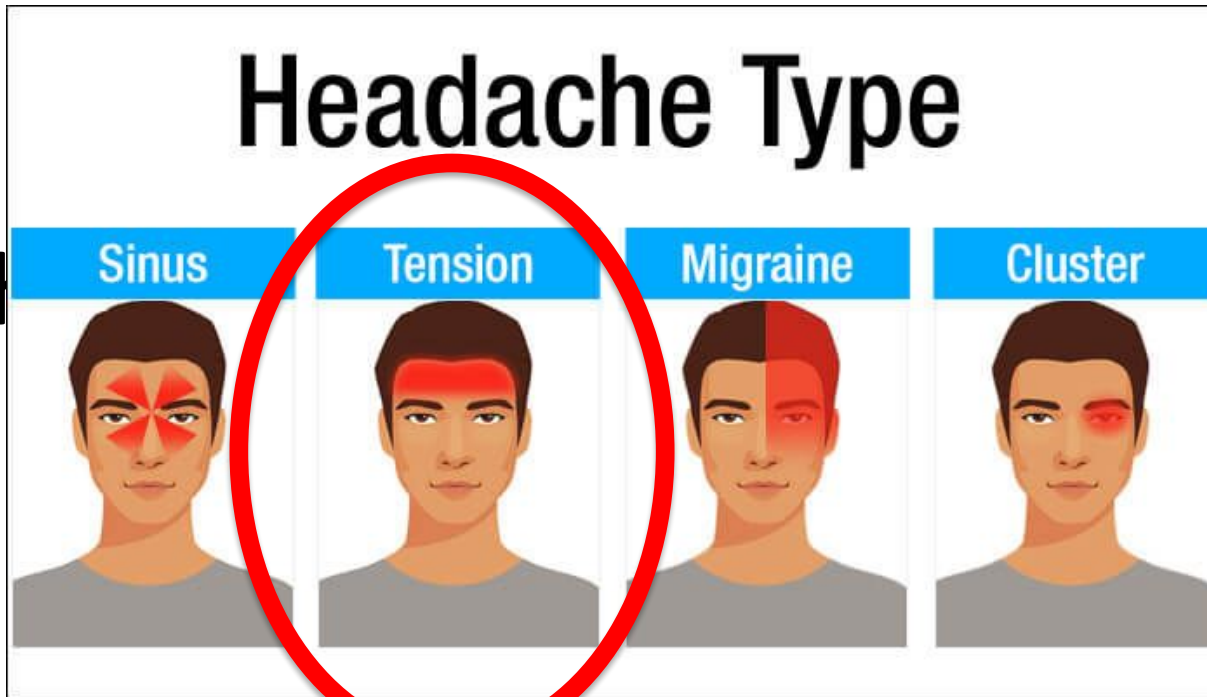


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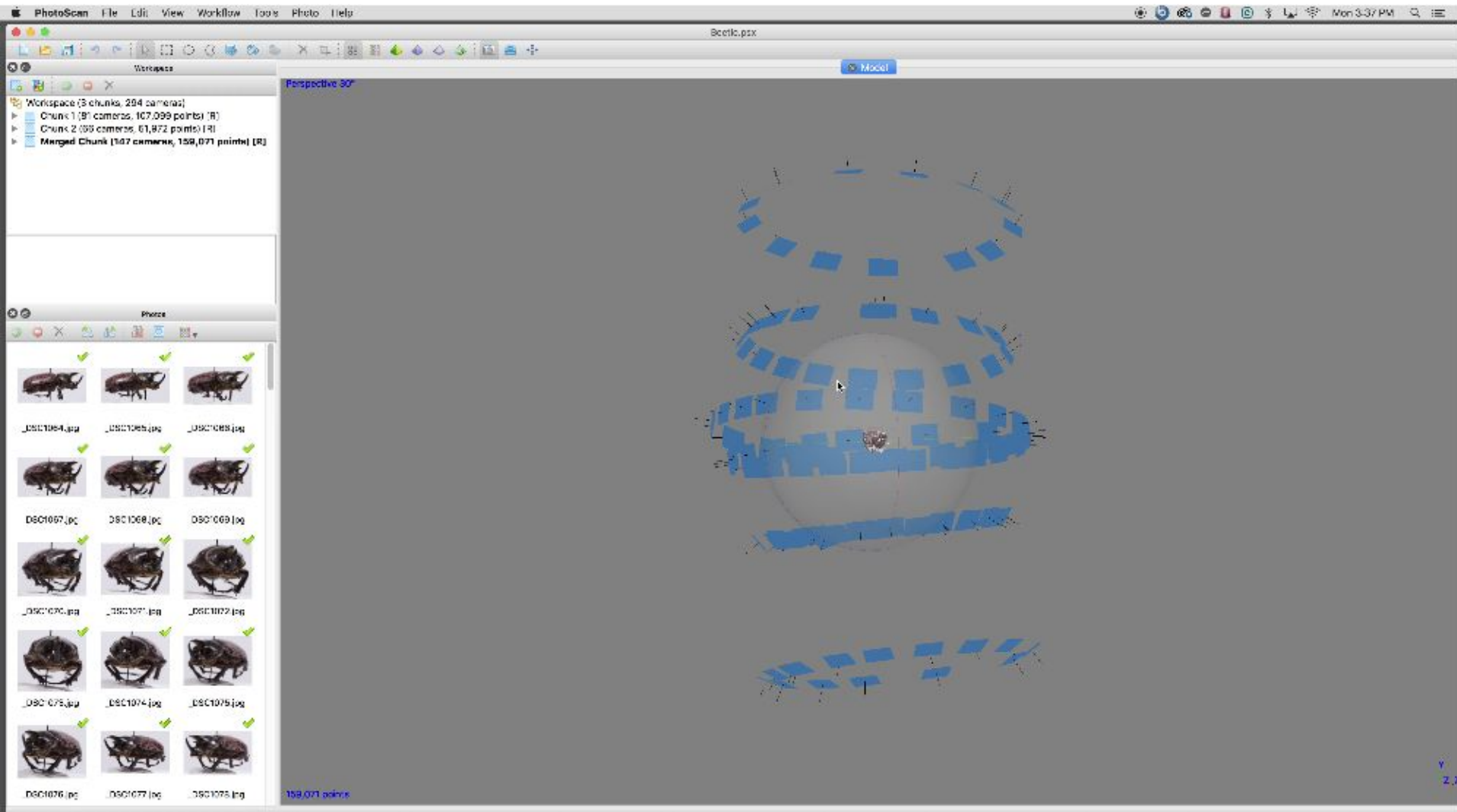
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Aligning 3D Program with needs of  
user groups...

AND

IT Management /Fiduciary  
Responsibility

# Processing and Storage



# Vivianite sample – not uniformly in focus







# Archival Considerations

Which parts to retain?

How much to retain?

...in order to rebuild and  
verify the accuracy  
of 3D models.

FOR SCIENCE!



Transparency for research integrity  
and reproducibility

# Integration into Research and Scholarly Environment

- Photogrammetry seems to offer better transparency than scanning
- More expensive in labor (can't do as many)

# Technical Metadata

- Internet Media (MIME) Type – “Model” for X3D
- DCMITYPE vocabulary - “Image” and “Interactive Resource”
- W3C – temporal media fragments (for AV)

Rights

Digital Colonization

Digital Repatriation

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# Palmyra, Syria



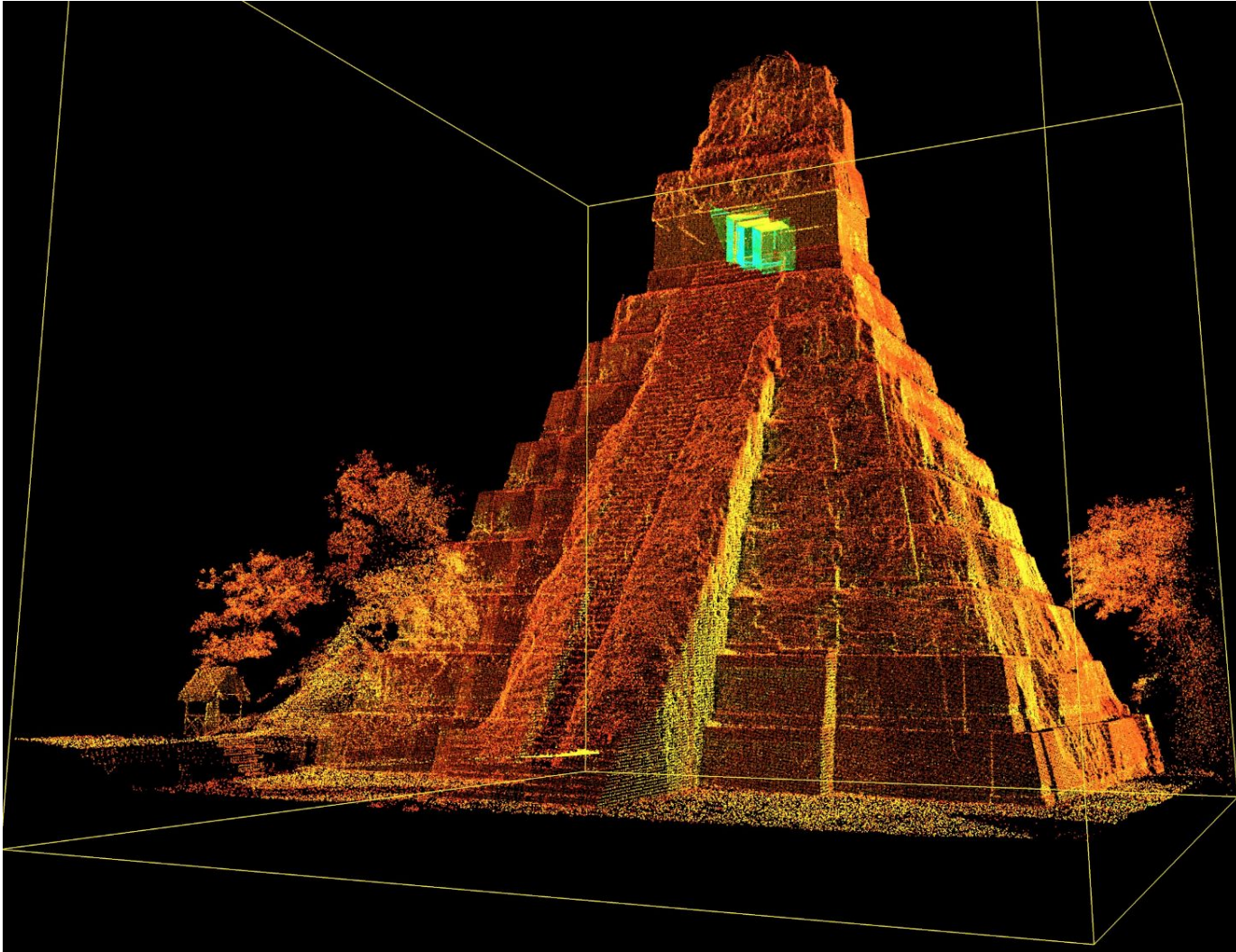
# Palmyra, Syria



# Microsoft Labs PhotoSynth Demo, 2006



# Google Arts and Culture: Ananda Ok Kyaung Temple in Bagan, Myanmar



Who Owns It?



# Digital Colonialism

“Quasi-imperial power over a vast number of people, without their explicit consent, manifested in rules, designs, languages, cultures and belief systems by a vastly dominant power.”

Renata Avila

Senior Digital Rights Advisor

WWW Foundation

<https://internethealthreport.org/2018/resisting-digital-colonialism/>



Digital repatriation is the return of items of cultural heritage in a digital format to the communities from which they originated.



# Next Steps

- Continuing to synthesize findings
- Expanding network to include more partners
  - Interest parties may contact me
- Identifying future problems to address.

# Summary

Tensions between

Managing cost

Aesthetic and pedagogical utility

Archival considerations

Representation

Rights (for whom?)

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