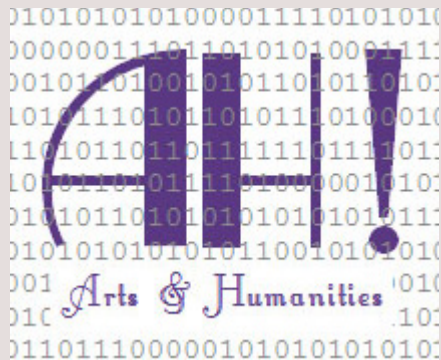


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Message From The Chair

The last few months have seen a hello and goodbye within SIG AH leadership. In October, Jeremy McLaughlin stepped down as Chair of our Special Interest Group. I'd like to thank Jeremy McLaughlin for his excellent leadership over the last two years. I'm excited to welcome Ann Graf to the SIG AH board. I'd also like to thank Arjun Sabharwal and Julie Carmen for continuing their service as Board members for SIG AH.

I was excited to meet some of our members and former leaders at this year's ASIS&T Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. I also enjoyed the other great Annual Meeting programming, including research on digital humanities collections, a panel member from Snopes, and a plenary session from the leader of Sony's PlayStation R&D department.

We are busy planning some exciting programming for 2018. In the meantime, here are some news, updates, and links of interest. Happy Holidays!

Thanks,
Christian James

Chair, SIG AH
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Recent Awards

We are pleased to announce that SIG AH cleaned up at ASIS&T's 2017 Annual Awards:

ASIS&T SIG Publication of the Year: "A New Open Humanities." Our award-winning ASIS&T bulletin special issue is online at <https://www.asist.org/publications/bulletin/junejuly-2017/a-new-open-humanities-introduction/>

SIG Member of the Year: Arjun Sabharwal

New Leaders: Tim Gorichanaz (2016-17 Board Member)

ProQuest Doctoral Dissertation Award: Dr. Sarah Buchanan (former SIG Chair), "A Provenance Research Study of Archaeological Curation"

2017 Student Research Award

We are also pleased to announce the winner of our 2017 Student Research Award:

Samuel Moore, PhD Candidate, Kings College (London). "Open/Access: Negotiations between Openness and Access to Research."

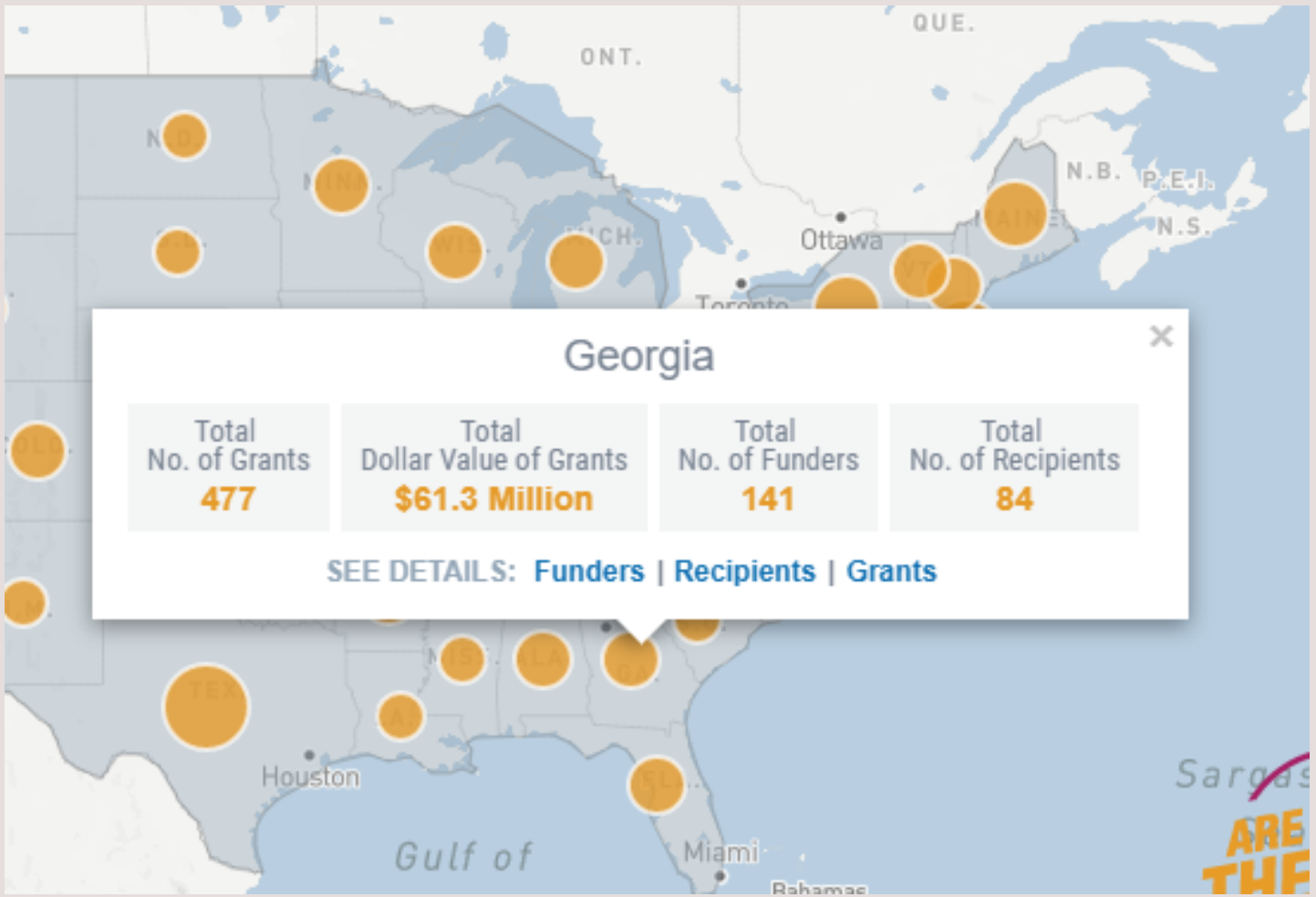
2018 Virtual Symposium

Our annual Virtual Symposium is coming up again on Tuesday, April 10, 2018. Our theme this year is "Users of Arts and Humanities Digital Collections." Mark your calendars!

Foundation Center: Visualizing Funding for Libraries

For libraries interested in finding new funding sources, there is a new free database created and shared by the Foundation Center. They have recognized that most libraries often cannot afford FC membership dues, but would gladly use their services if they could afford them. They also recognized that helping libraries find funders would support libraries and their communities. This was a service the center felt strongly about. So, the database [Visualizing Funding for Libraries](#) was created and is based on past grants given specifically to libraries. It is free to the world, so anyone can access it. The site doesn't give the language of the application forms or detailed information, but it shows location, date, name of project, and amount given, as well as identifies the funder.

It takes some time to get used to the site and navigate to find the right funders for your library. A good tutorial will help you in this endeavor and can be found on WebJunction at: <http://www.webjunction.org/events/webjunction/visualizing-and-finding-funding-for-libraries.html> Be aware that this database reports past grants, and it can take up to two years for a grant to be added. It will only be reported once a grant has been awarded and egrants may show up initially, with updates added later. Also, both Firefox and Google Chrome are good browsers to use for this website.



Source: Foundation Center, "Visualizing Funding for Libraries," *Foundation Maps*, accessible at <https://maps.foundationcenter.org>