I NEED AN EXPERT TO VISIT MY SITE

I WANT TO PROTECT MY MUSEUM’S COLLECTION

I ASPIRE TO PRESERVE MY DIGITAL COLLECTIONS

I ASPIRE TO STAY CURRENT

I WANT TO CORRECTLY MONITOR MY COLLECTIONS’ ENVIRONMENT

I NEED TO WRITE A DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PLAN
Connecting to New York’s Collections (c2cnys.org), a partnership of heritage organizations throughout New York State, is presenting a statewide series of preservation programs on “at risk” collections: books and paper, photographic collections, digital materials, and historic objects. Led by experienced professionals in the fields of conservation, disaster response, digitization, and collections management, the workshops will benefit libraries, archives, museums, and historic sites. The Connecting to New York’s Collections project is funded by a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services and administered by Greater Hudson Heritage Network.

Training is being offered in four ways:

- a four-part webinar series, (14 webinars total) viewable independently or in groups to encourage informal discussion;
- web-based “how-to” video tutorials providing instruction to organizational staff and to a more general audience who may have personal collections;
- a statewide, interactive cross-disciplinary knowledge portal website that will serve as a clearinghouse for preservation best practices and as a landing page for disaster preparedness plans;
- a circuit rider mentoring program serving each of nine regions through grant-funded free site assessment visits for collections care. The project will reach approximately 5,000 cultural heritage institutions in New York.

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