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Digitisation of 19th Century Theatre Posters



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Lithuanian Theatre, Music and Cinema Museum



- Lithuanian Theatre, Music and Cinema museum was Founded in 1926

- Structure:

Theatre division

Music division

Cinema division

Art division

Library

Poster Collection

Collection of 19th century theatre posters

- Approximately 2000 units.
 - Content of poster advertise plays performed at Vilnius Theatre, Circus shows.
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- Fragile material
 - Some of them in very poor condition

Digitisation: private partnership

Museum responsibilities:

- Restoration of originals posters
- Description of digitised posters

Shared responsibilities:

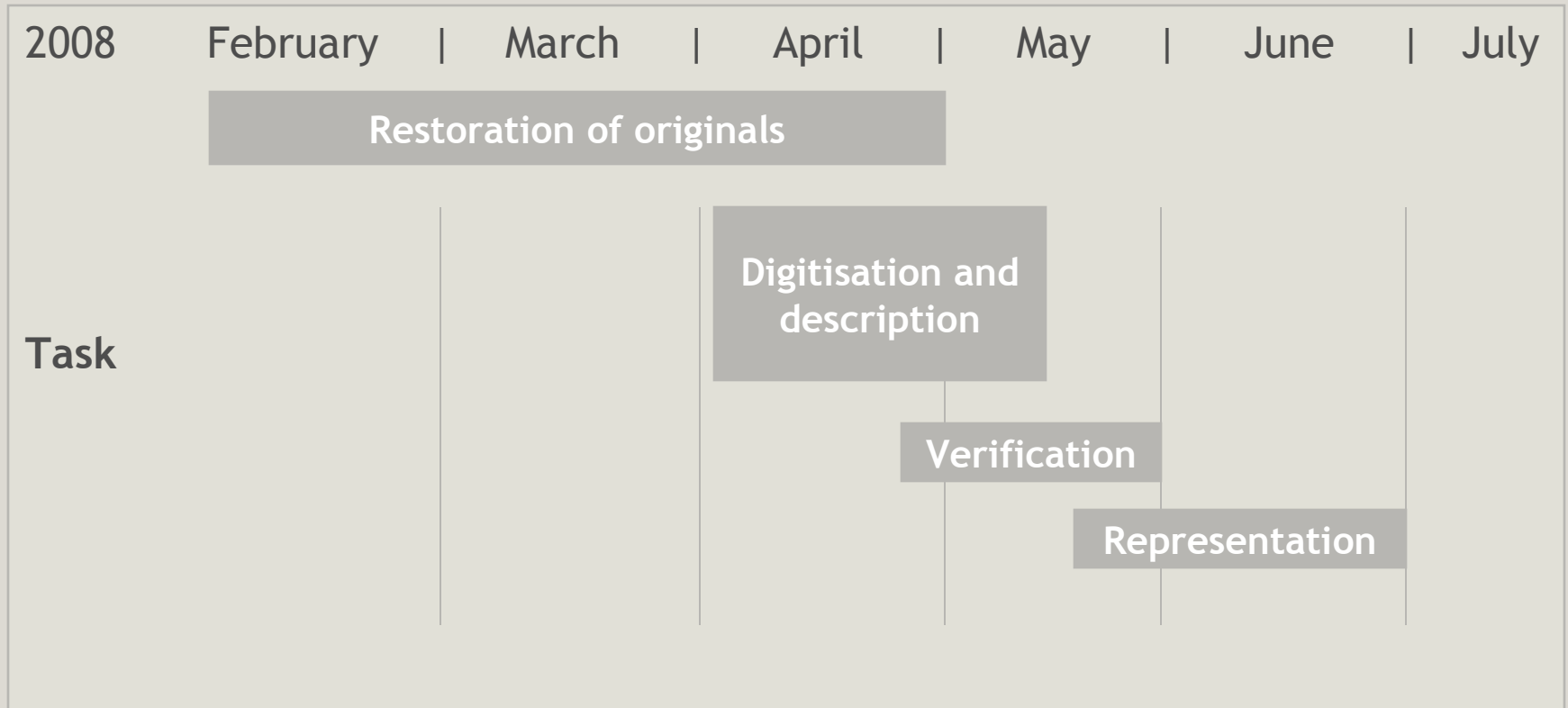
- Digitisation strategy and planning

Dizi (private partner) responsibilities:

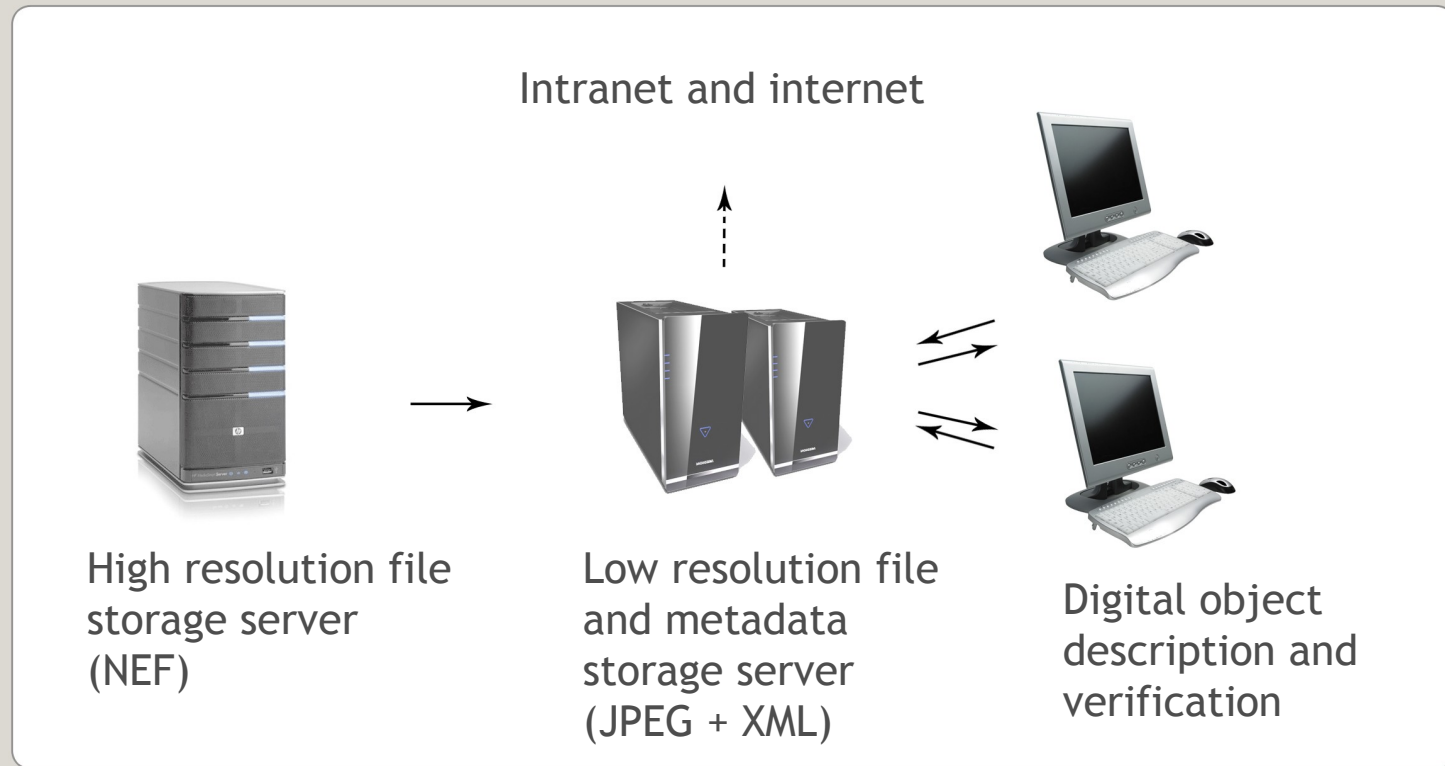
- Digitisation
- Development of storage and maintenance software
- Representation of digitised materials

Centre for Restoration at
Lithuanian Art Museum

Project schedule



Digitisation. Digital object database structure



Digital XLR camera
10 megapixel

Image processing



Master file

is stored in non-compressed format and unaltered (NEF)

Several changes for on-screen viewing file are applied:

- File is cropped and compressed (JPG)
- Colour adjustment (light temperature, white balance)
- Lens correction filter (vignetting calibration)

Image description

- Extended Dublin Core metadata scheme is applied
- Posters are described by museum staff, after being digitised

1. Title
2. Creator
3. Subject
4. Description
5. Publisher
6. Contributor
7. Date
8. Type
9. Format
10. Identifier
11. Source
12. Language
13. Relation
14. Coverage
15. Rights

POSTER CONTENT:

- 4.1 Title
- 4.2 Theatre
- 4.3 Translator
- 4.4 Artist
- 4.5 Composer
- 4.6 Director
- 4.7 Roles
- 4.8 Artists
- 4.9 Date

16. Inventory number
17. Acquisition document
18. Price
19. Dimension
20. Quantity
21. Material and technique
22. Status
23. Notes
24. Digitiser

Presentation of digital collection

- The digitised posters' collection will be available on local museum intranet via specially designed database software
- Low resolution on screen viewing copies supplemented by metadata will be available on internet website
- The promo CD containing about 30 most valuable and interesting posters will be released

Thank you for attention!