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Who	Collaborators Interviewees Informants	Creators	Name of interviewee	creator LCNAF; EAC-CPF	
Who	Speakers, Community, Interviewer	Contributors are co-creators	Name of interviewer; Name of sponsoring organization	co-creator, LCNAF; EAC-CPF	
Who	If interview is about named people or organizations	Subject	Names as Subjects	LCNAF; EAC-CPF	
When	Date and time; time of day is important	Date.Created	Date of recording = Date of creation	ISO 8601  DACS	yyyymmdd  _____ yyyy Month dd
Where	Address of interviewee	Place (of creator)	Not public; administrative		
Where	Place of interview	Place	Place of recording, observation	<a href="http://www.geonames.org/">http://www.geonames.org/</a>	Place name: neighborhood, city, state
Where	Description of place talked about during interview	Subject / Keyword	Place discussed or about	LCSH; LCNAF	
What	Focus of interview, keywords in field notes	Subject / Keyword	What the interview is about; topics	Controlled vocabularies: Ethnographic Thesaurus; LCSH	
What	Formats, digital and/or analog	Format.Extent Type [genre]		Controlled vocabulary recommended	.wav, PDF, word file,
Why	Context/his- tory circum- stances of the creation of this object	Description	Who + what + where + when briefly	DACS Scope & Content	Could be: Summary or abstract
Rights meta- data	Obtaining signed permission form; Permission to deposit in archive; Open for research use; copyright	Rights [Dublin Core uses this for copyright, but there are access rights too for archival materials]		DACS  Institutional policy  PREMIS	
Title [event]		Title [event]	Who + What + Where + When	Local, AFC	Los Tres Reyes Concert, Library of Congress, 2012-07-09

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Title		Title	Who + What	DACS Title element	Jamila Jones oral history interview
Language	Language, dialect of speakers	Language	Language		
Type of material		type DC: collection, dataset, event, image, sound, text, moving image			

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### Why use standards?

- Improve quality and consistency of data
- Enable data sharing; linked data
- Implement standard fields in tools for creating and using data
- Implement standards in your processing workflow
- Better discovery of your collection more users

### Practical principles for Metadata Creation and Maintenance from Getty Research Institute in Introduction to Metadata

[http://www.getty.edu/research/publications/electronic\\_publications/intrometadata/](http://www.getty.edu/research/publications/electronic_publications/intrometadata/)

### Standards for description of content:

**DACS (Describing Archives: A Content Standard) Society of American Archivists, 2007**  
[files.archivists.org/pubs/DACS2E-2013.pdf](http://files.archivists.org/pubs/DACS2E-2013.pdf)

**DCRM(G): Descriptive Cataloging of Rare Materials (Graphics) for photographs and prints** <http://rbms.info/dcrm/dcrg/>

**CCO (Cataloging Cultural Objects: A Guide to Describing Cultural Works and Their Images)** used in museum settings <http://www.vraweb.org/ccoweb/cco/about.html>

### Standards for sharing description (frameworks, schemas, or encoding standards):

**Dublin Core** <http://dublincore.org/>

**Dublin Core Type** vocabulary <http://dublincore.org/documents/2000/07/11/dcmi-type-vocabulary/#event>

**PBCore** <http://www.pbcore.org/>

Public Broadcasting Metadata Project : WGBH and Library of Congress in development  
Metadata for audiovisual media, Corporation for Public Broadcasting

**PREMIS for rights metadata** <http://www.loc.gov/standards/premis/>

**EAD (Encoded Archival Description for Finding Aids)** <http://www.loc.gov/ead/>

**EAC:CPF (Encoded Archival Context: Corporate, Personal, Family names)**

<http://eac.staatsbibliothek-berlin.de/> maintained by the Society of American Archivists in partnership with the Berlin State Library

XML encoding for data about creators in archival collections

Prototype of this is SNAC: Social Networks and Archival Context Project

<http://socialarchive.iath.virginia.edu/prototype.html>

### Mapping Metadata (Crosswalks) semantic rather than technical

[http://www.getty.edu/research/publications/electronic\\_publications/intrometadata/crosswalks.html](http://www.getty.edu/research/publications/electronic_publications/intrometadata/crosswalks.html)

### Controlled Vocabularies:

#### American Folklore Society Ethnographic Thesaurus

<http://openfolklore.org/et/>

includes topics, occupations, document types but NOT ethnic group names or place names, will be available as linked data in loc.id sometime this summer

#### Library of Congress Authorities & Vocabularies

<http://authorities.loc.gov/>

**LCNAF** (Library of Congress Name Authority File)

**LCSH** (Library of Congress Subject Headings)

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Also available as linked data <http://id.loc.gov/>

LCSH includes topics; national and ethnic group names, e.g. Polish Americans, African Americans, Hmong Americans; classes of persons, e.g., African American teachers; Italian American grocers; high school students; etc.

### **Art and Architecture Thesaurus**

<http://www.getty.edu/vow/AATSearchPage.jsp>

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