



MILLI ARCHIVES FOUNDATION

The Milli Archives Foundation is a non-profit network of archives and archivists dedicated to building, nurturing and sustaining archives across India.



Milli Sessions, 2023
Guidelines on physical conservation

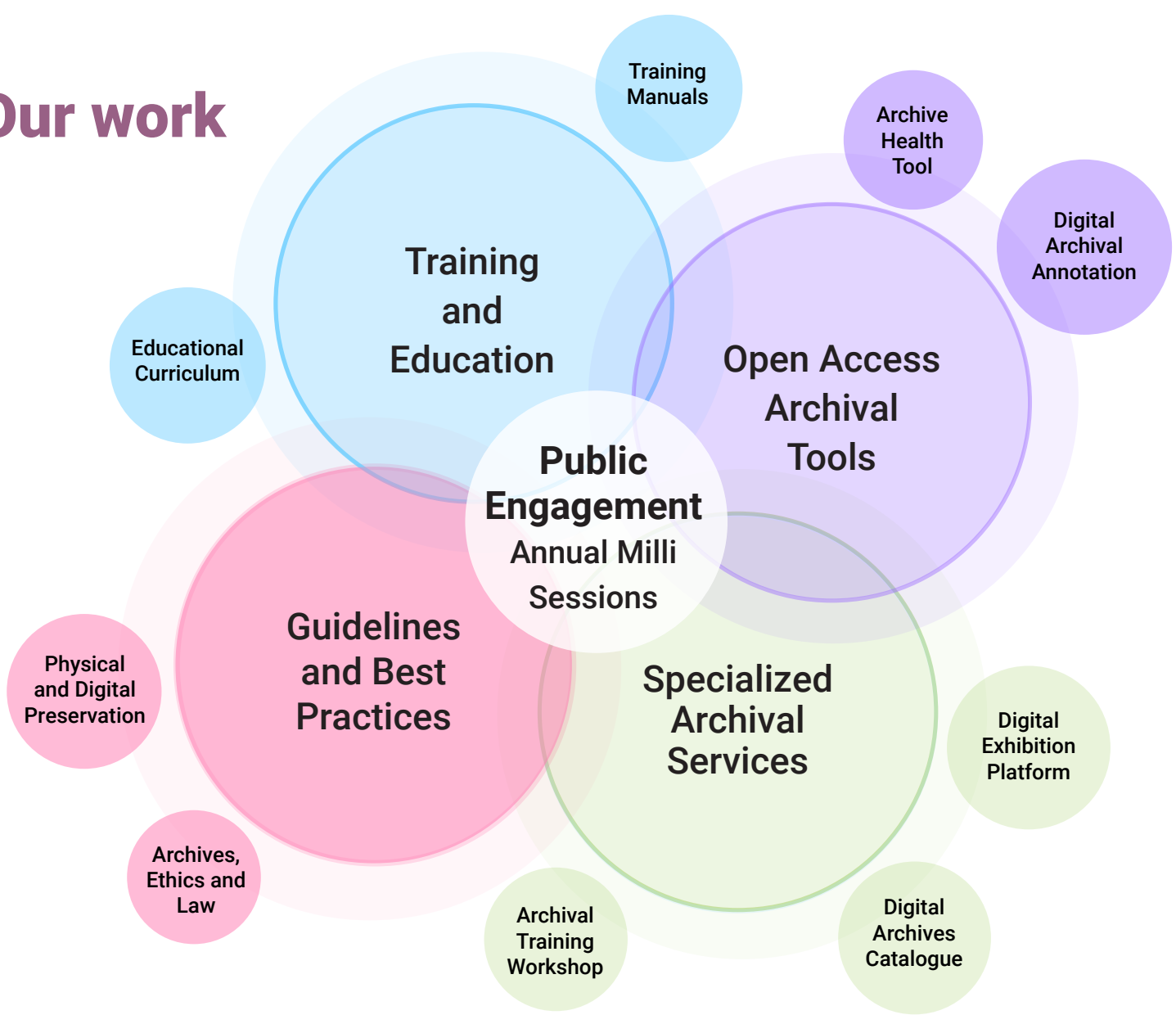
What is an archive?

Archives preserve, describe and make accessible records of enduring historical significance. Such archival records offer valuable insights into the context and process of our lives, ranging from an old family photo album and a bundle of letters between a student and their mentor, to oral histories from community elders, minutes of corporate board meetings and banners from social movements. By creating an accessible archive, we can draw from our collective memory and share a diversity of stories for the future.

Why Milli?

We need to nurture archives. This includes archival standards, preservation and conservation guidelines, open access teaching manuals, digital tools to allow the public to find and share archival material, and see the archive as part of their daily lives. Milli works with individuals, families, organizations and communities toward building, nurturing and sustaining our collective memory and records in the form of accessible archives. Memory matters, and Milli is here to help.

Our work



What have we been doing?

Annual Milli Sessions: Free-to-public, all things archives. 1500+ registrants across India, 40+ partnering institutions.

"Archives, Ethics and the Law in India", the first such guidebook for archivists in India.

Customized two-day archival training workshops: Toward interoperable, public and stable archives.

Digital tools at the intersection of artificial intelligence and archives.



Guidebook for Archivists

Milli Member Network

- Shapes and advises free-to-public archival projects
- Exchanges knowledge and shares archival resources



Kerala Council for Historical Research - two-day archival training workshop



Milli Sessions, 2021

25+ SESSIONS 180+ VOICES 5+ COUNTRIES	JUNE 7 - 13 2021	3:00 - 8:00 PM
	INTERNATIONAL ARCHIVES WEEK	
	MILLI SESSIONS 2021	
	FREE! DETAILS: https://www.millilink.in/2021/	
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JUNE 7 EMPLOYER ARCHIVES SPEED DATING, SOCIAL JUSTICE, HISTORY, RESEARCH	11 EXPLORE SPACES, CIVIL, ANTIARCHIVE • SOUTH ASIA • REPARATION	
8 INCLUDE KNOWLEDGE • COMMUNITY, ORAL HISTORY, MEMORY	12 LEARN GOVERNANCE, LOCAL, URBANIZING ARCHIVES • DIGITAL HUMANITIES	
9 ACCESS LIVABLE • LAW, DESIGN, ETHICS	13 NARRATE LANGUAGE, ART, DIGITAL ADAPTATIONS, STORYTELLING	
10 CONNECT GAIN • NETWORKS • ARCHIVES • STANDARDS • DIGITAL ARCHIVING	ALL READ VALUE LITERATURE • ARCHIVES	
<small>4EMPOWERINGARCHIVES #IAW2021 MILLI IS A CONSORTIUM OF INDIVIDUALS AND COMMUNITIES INTERESTED IN THE REDEFINING OF ARCHIVES.</small>		

Partner organizations

Indian Institute of Science . International Council on Archives . JP Narayan Centre, IIT Indore . Kerala Council for Historical Research . LV Prasad Eye Institute . United Service Institution of India . University of Leeds

What's coming up?



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- Archive health tool to evaluate and improve quality of archives
- Open access archival training manual
- Public standards for ethics and archives in the age of AI tools
- Guidelines for physical and digital preservation using case studies
- Open access digital archival platform

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company registered in India with tax
exemptions under Sections 12A and
80G of the Income Tax Act of India

The name, Milli, borrows from 'á milli', Icelandic for 'between', the way we think of the archives being the in-between space between our collective and shared stories. It came up in 2017 during conversations within the Milli digital team.