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Audiovisual Media and Scholarly Communications Services

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Audiovisual Scholarly Communication Services: ERA A+V

- https://era-av.library.ualberta.ca/. Combination of:
 - Media archives
 - Virtual research environment
 - Tool to support online learning
 - Scholarly communications service/IR
- Service development timeline:
 - October 2015 kickoff
 - May 2016 beta launch
 - July 2017 production release



What we've learned...

Media (in a scholarly communications sense) is Weird

- Open Access is <u>not</u> always the goal, nor is it achievable
- Audiovisual scholarly outputs often play a supporting role to "the research itself", e.g.
 - Public knowledge dissemination
 - Community-based research
 - Event materials
 - Media as "data"
 - Supplemental materials (e.g. animations)
- Residual media (Charles Acland)/media archaeology
 - Older media hangs around longer than we think, and forms the basis of new (recontextualized)
 knowledge
 - Scholarly communications services designed specifically for audiovisual media help support emerging scholarly approaches

Nuts and Bolts of Audiovisual Scholarly Communications

- Resource discovery
- Preservation
- Deposit/workflows
- Specialized skills



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Opportunities for Scholarly Communications Services

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- Better support...
 - Research creation
 - Media archives-based research
 - New modes of research dissemination, e.g.
 - Scholarly podcasting
 - A/V-based journals
 - Public knowledge dissemination
 - The "academic research video" (Fernando, 2019: https://doi.org/10.3145/epi.2019.jul.06)

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