Recipe for IT—Librarians’ Collaboration

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The Path to Partnering
Getting Started
The Exploratorium Years

• Networking paid off
• Coding?
• “Sure I can do that!”
• What had I gotten myself into???
Exploratorium Digital Asset Management

Recollections
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IT/CM/KM/KS Skills

• Know audiences – who they are, what they look for and how
• Expertise in building metadata schema and taxonomies
• Recognize the business value that finding information brings to an organization
• Create IP policies that address copyright issues
• Have big picture view
From Librarian to Geek and Back Again

• Information Edge [http://www.information-edge.com/](http://www.information-edge.com/)
  – Moved from research to IT/IM based initiatives: DAM/DM/KM/KS/ECM

• *The Librarian’s Skillbook: 51 Essential Skills for Information Professionals*

• Mechanics’ Institute [www.milibrary.org](http://www.milibrary.org)

• Webinars/seminars
Learning to Be a Geek

• “I can do that!”
• Let go of library stuff no one else cares about
• Invest in yourself, adding certifications and education wherever you can
• Read a lot and attend free and paid webinars
• Spend time with IT folks, who will become your allies
• Call upon your network for help when needed
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