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CONTENTdm Community Insights: Customization Tips for Your CONTENTdm Website

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Overview

I. About the Waring and its Digital Collections

II. Getting Started

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IV. Designing Your CONTENTdm Website

V. Final Tips



About the Waring and its Digital Collections

About The Waring

Rare books and special collections library of the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) in Charleston

Collections document the history of the health sciences in the 18th-19 century Atlantic World, with particular focus on South Carolina, the Southeast, and the history of MUSC

Consists of the manuscript collections of The Waring, MUSC University Archives, the Digital Archive, and Macaulay Museum of Dental History

Staff consists of four FTE's: Curator, University Archivist, Digital Archivist, and Administrative Assistant



Waring Historical Library Digital Collections and CONTENTdm Website


45 collections in CONTENTdm


2014 as a CONTENTdm customer

Moved to responsive website in late 2018

Designed using custom CSS feature

The Waring's CONTENTdm Website

 **THE WARING**
HISTORICAL LIBRARY

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Colleton County Hospital Photographs

The Colleton County Hospital Photographs, 1955-1975, consist of 168 photos of the hospital, its staff, and programs at the hospital located at S. Lemacks Street in Walterboro, South Carolina. The photographs were from the morgue of the Walterboro Press and...



Francis Peyre Porcher Papers

The Frances Peyre Porcher Papers include Porcher's lecture, class, and research notes on materia medica, botany, and pharmacy compiled over his career in support of his medical teaching responsibilities and the publication of his book, Resources of the Southern Field...

Getting Started

Things to Remember

- Check your institution's branding guidelines
- If there are branding restrictions, identify styles that you must incorporate
- Identify elements of your current website (fonts, colors, logo) that you want to include in new website style
- Compile original images of collection thumbnails
- Consult the CONTENTdm Website Tool Cookbook



OCLC Resources



CONTENTdm Website Tool

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HTML Color Picker

CSSTricks.com

W3schools.com

Google Fonts

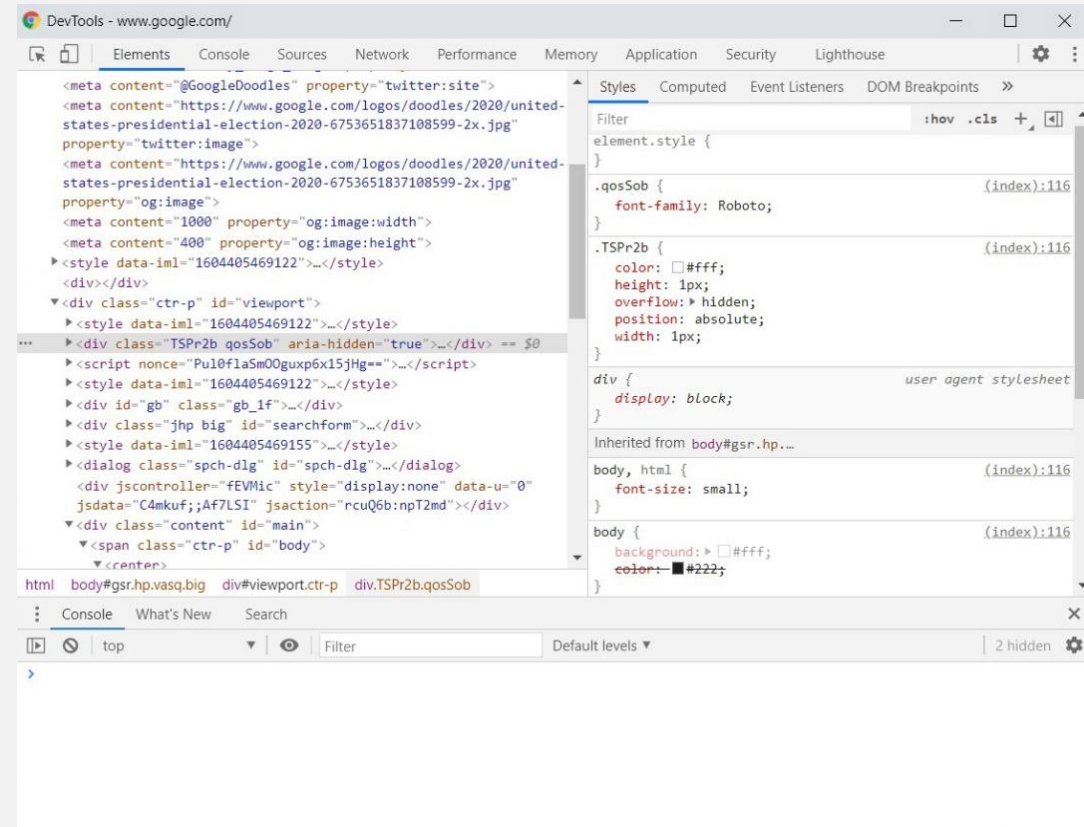


Browser Inspect Tool: Google Chrome

DeveloperTool or
DevTool

Right-click page and
select Inspect

: > More Tools >
Developer Tools

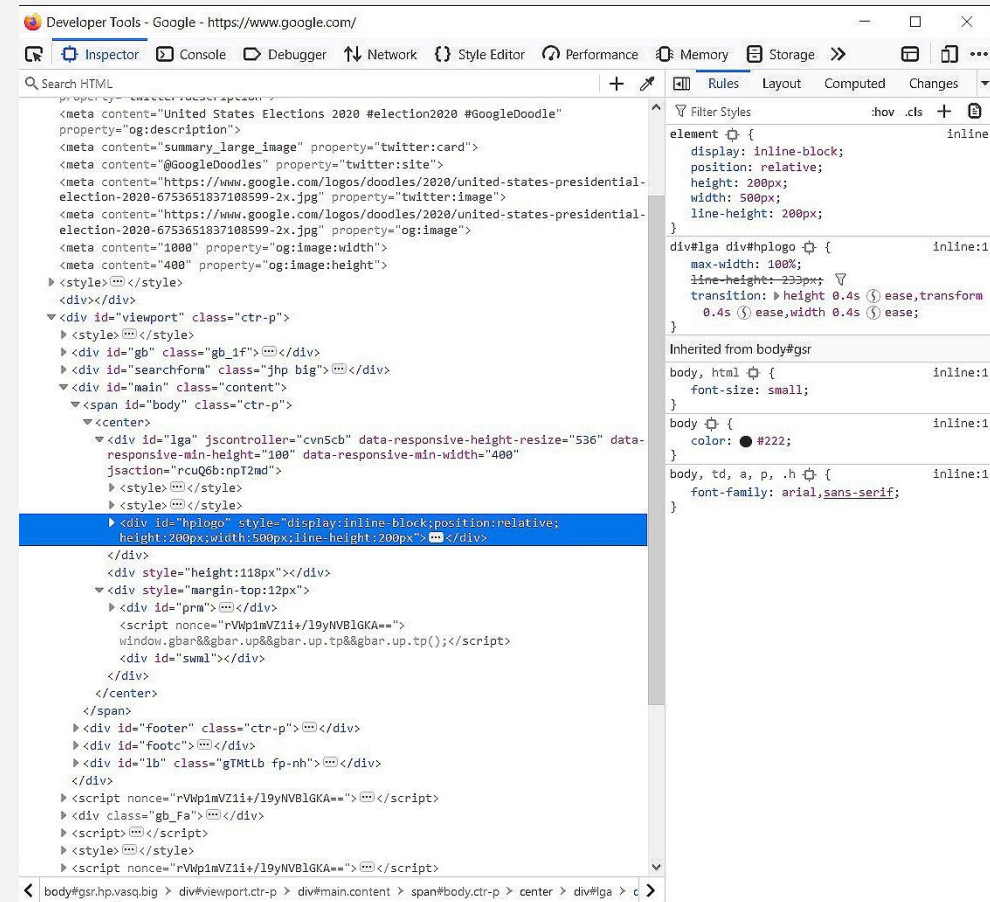


Browser Inspect Tool: Mozilla Firefox

Developer Tools

Right-click page and
select Inspect Element

Hamburger Menu >
Web Developer>
Inspector

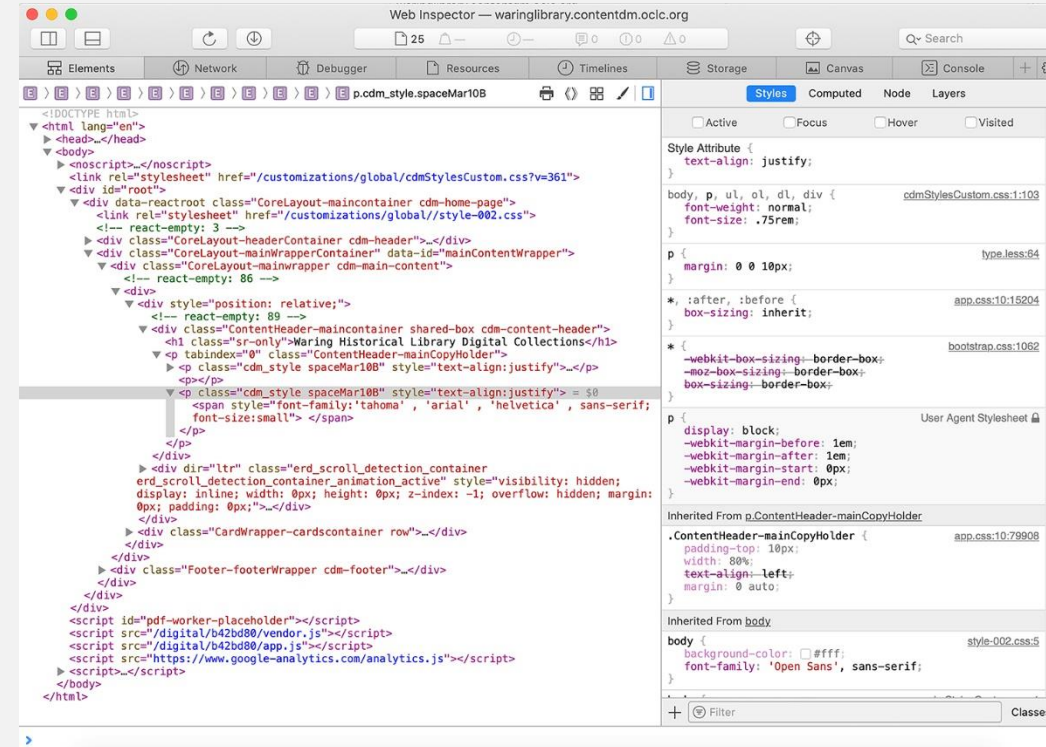


Browser Inspect Tool: Safari

Developer Menu

Right-click page and select Inspect Element

Preferences > Advanced > Show Develop menu in menu bar



Designing Your Website

Consider Adding or Updating...

Logo/Favicon

Thumbnails

Fonts

Custom Pages

Custom CSS/JS



Customizing the Homepage


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Customizing Collection Landing Pages



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Creating a Custom Page

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Create a custom page

Last updated: Jun 28, 2018

Find general information about creating a custom page using the Website Configuration Tool.

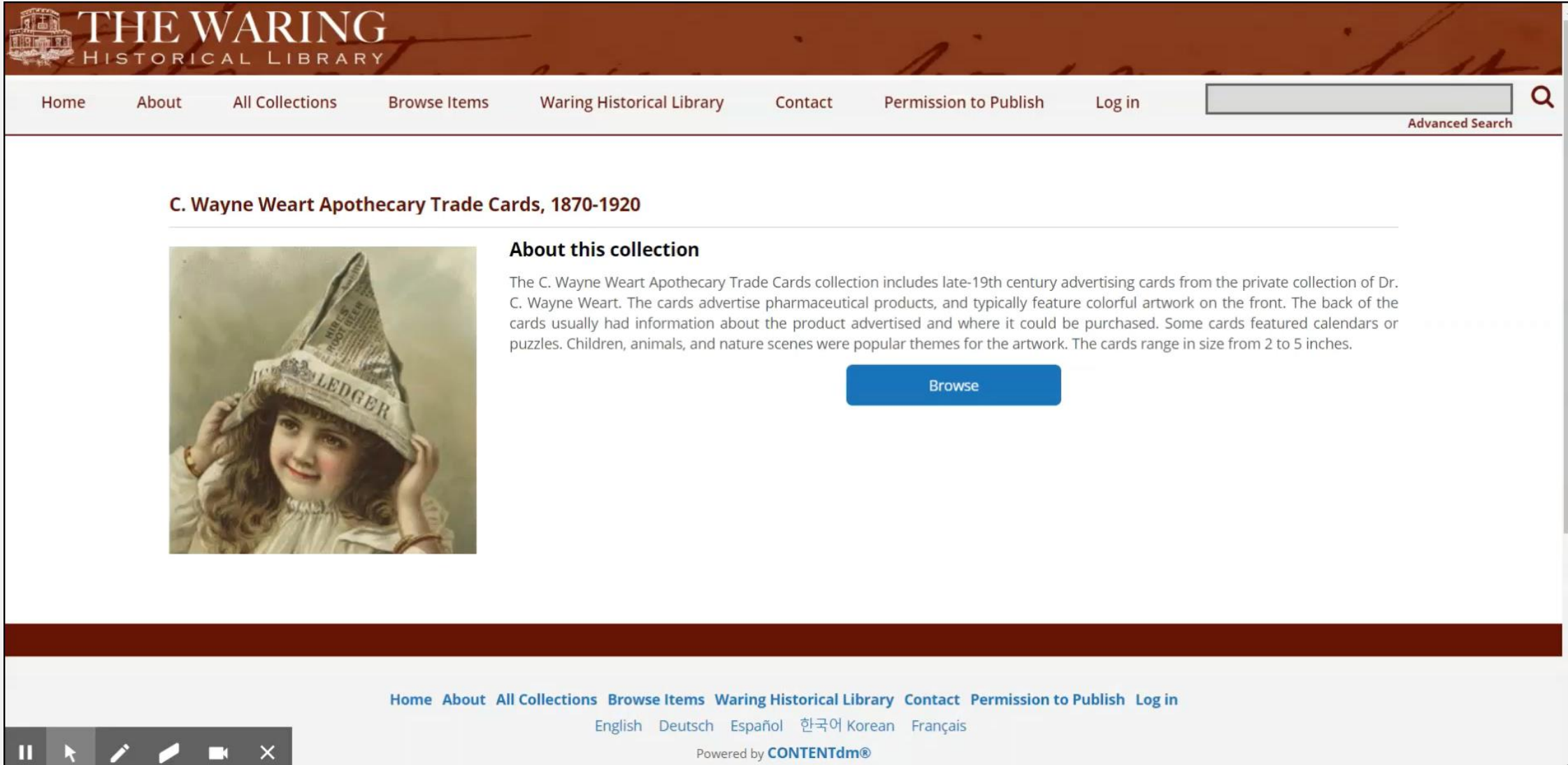
For all three types of Custom HTML Pages you need to follow the same syntax in your HTML. See [Custom pages overview](#). CONTENTdm custom pages rely on finding basic configurations at the top of the HTML file using YAML syntax. These YAML configurations allow you to include or hide the built-in CONTENTdm header or footer and to provide a page title (the contents of the `<title>` element in the page's `<head>` section). These YAML settings look like this:

```
---
header: true
footer: true
title: The simplest custom HTML page
---
```


In the above example, the built-in CONTENTdm header and footer have both been enabled and the page title has been defined. Immediately following the 5 lines of YAML text comes the HTML that renders the page content for your custom page. This should be standard HTML, for example:

```
<div>
  <h2>Hello, World!</h2>
</div>
```


Suggested Topics Feature



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Final Tips

Next Steps



Explore, explore, explore!

- Consider customizations to item and browse pages

Implement options to define the search experience

- Grid or Thumbnail layouts for search results
- Facets

SEO

Google Analytics

Additional Takeaways

Be creative and check the CONTENTdm Cookbook for updates

Pack some patience

Assemble a team if you can

Save your original style sheet and other iterations as you go and need to revert back

Maintain consistency



OCLC CONTENTdm Resources

CONTENTdm Customization Cookbook

https://help.oclc.org/Metadata_Services/CONTENTdm/Advanced_website_customization/Cust_omization_cookbook

OCLC CONTENTdm Support

https://help.oclc.org/Metadata_Services/CONTENTdm

OCLC Community Center

<https://www.oclc.org/community/home.en.html>

CONTENTdm Cookbook Demo Site

<https://cdmdemo.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/>

Video Demos on YouTube

CONTENTdm Website Configuration Homepage Demo

<https://youtu.be/8cPYj8HPOoc>

CONTENTdm Website Configuration Collection Landing Page Demo

<https://youtu.be/Lz7nQbQMvho>

CONTENTdm Website Configuration Custom Page Demo

<https://youtu.be/p1c1xi5ATLU>

CONTENTdm Website Configuration Suggested Topics Demo

<https://youtu.be/aYGvVOECuqw>



Thank
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