



The Rowing History Project

Our mission is to
preserve and display
America's rowing legacy
and share its rich history
with the public.

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Why a Digital Rowing Museum?

Boathouse Row, one of the world's most historic rowing venues, is losing its history.

What is being lost is not just a history of the sport. Also disappearing are stories of Philadelphia's social history as seen through the culture of the rowing clubs.

Nationally, many rowing clubs – focused on winning races in the future, not preserving what's in their past – face the same challenge.

TRHP is Encouraging Clubs to

Inventory and photograph their historic artifacts

Find archives that will accept and preserve important documents

Find ways to preserve, display and/or store important artifacts

Showcase their collection on the Rowing History Project's digital museum

How TRHP Can Help

Data Dictionary based on International Archiving Standards

Inventory Spreadsheet with columns, headings and descriptions tailored for rowing collections (GLAM); based on Library of Congress standards

Artifact and Object Categories based on Getty Art and Architecture Standards

Use of our Data Mapping program for bulk import of inventory spreadsheet and media automatically into Omeka-S

Use of our Customized User Interface Template for Rowing Collections

Use of our low-cost hosting service.

Available Services: Consulting Archivist and Omeka Developer

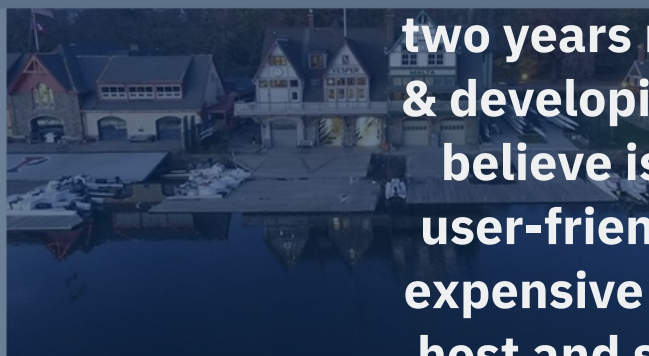
Vesper Boat Club

Artifacts and

Building history

Racing history

We have spent over two years researching & developing what we believe is the most user-friendly & least expensive platform to host and showcase a digital rowing museum.



The Vesper Boat Club is an amateur rowing club located in the historic Boathouse Row of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Founded in 1863, Vesper's stated goal is "to produce Olympic champions."

Explore Vesper's Collection

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Artifacts and

Log books

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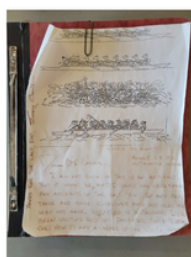
Artifacts and

Trophies and medals

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Schuylkill Navy to the
Vesper Boat Club in
commoration of
achievement



Newsletters

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1998 April

Vesper Fin
Newsletter 1998

Vesper Fin
Newsletter
December
January

OMEKA-S

Open-Source Digital Management
& Web Publishing System

Import data in spreadsheets created
with International Data Standards

Customizable User Interface

PLATFORM

Widely used by museums,
universities, libraries

Highly modular

Create "Stories" & "Exhibits"

Searchable Database

Geolocation

Universal viewer

ABOUT US

The Rowing History Project is part of the 501(c)(3) Head of the Schuylkill Regatta. It's mission is to tell the history of rowing both locally and nationally through this virtual museum which catalogues and displays important rowing-related objects, photographs, videos, and audio recordings. The Project seeks to inventory, preserve where possible, and share with the public artifacts that tell the story of this iconic sport and its place in American history.

TRHP team has developed a list of suggestions for individuals, schools and clubs who wish to preserve and digitize their important rowing records and artifacts. For more information, contact us at rowingarchives@hosr.org.