Arca Actions & Achievements 2024



In 2024, Arca members collectively avoided

\$2.9 million in costs.

30 participating Arca sites saved a combined

37,278 staff hours



thanks to centralized administration.

Via Arca, local and global researchers have access to

263,717 digital items

in

1,672 collections.



newspapers

theses

performance art

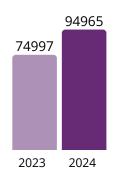
oral histories

articles

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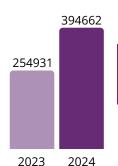
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Visitors from 207 countries increasingly engaged with Arca in 2024.



94,965 searches

were conducted in 2024.



There were

394,662 pageviews

in Arca in 2024.

\$500,000 in critical funding

from the Ministry of Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills ensures minimal impact on Arca sites during the migration to Islandora 2.0.





Digital repositories have such an advocatory power. They allow communities to shape their narratives.

Sasha Han, Arca Migration Specialist

2024 Accomplishments

Growing Membership

Welcomed Okanagan College as a new member and introduced a policy to allow non-library organizations, such as museums and historical societies, to join Arca.

Migrating to a New Platform

Progressed on the migration to Islandora 2.0 by developing a detailed action plan, establishing technical infrastructure, and standardizing metadata across member sites. A dedicated Migration Specialist supported local administrators, while coordination with Discovery Garden and SFU Cloud hosting ensured smooth implementation.

Improving Metadata Standards

Established new shared metadata standards across all member sites, improving interoperability, discovery, and long-term sustainability. Thousands of repository items were updated to meet migration standards, significantly enhancing metadata consistency and accessibility.

Representing Arca's Needs

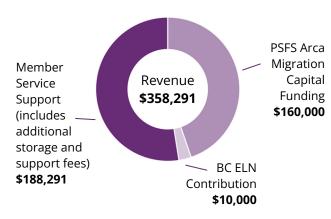
Joined the Local Contexts Early Adopter program and the Islandora Foundation Leadership Group, ensuring Arca's needs were represented in repository development.

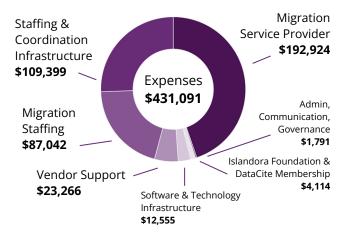
On the horizon in 2025...

- Migrate all sites to the new Islandora 2.0 platform.
- Release the Local Contexts Integration to enable the display of TK Labels.
- Launch Islandora Workbench documentation and a new ticketing system to streamline repository administration and Admin Centre support.

2024-25 Financials (Projected)

The Arca budget is approved by the <u>Advisory Committee</u>.





Start of year balance: \$98,145

End of year balance (projected): \$25,345



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