Find-It: The Power of Small, Extensible Applications

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A Little Background

Needs
Values
Design and Function
Importance of Integrations
Identifying a need

Change creates opportunity
Improving our collection control
More efficient retrievals
Keep it simple, stupid

We have enough systems already

Keep it small

Open Source
Let Values Guide Us

Solution-centered design
Value domain knowledge
Empower users
Designing
Web application integration
Sitting with reference
User testing
How It Works

Ref_id search

Real-time ArchivesSpace API query
Find It!

Correspondence (Report of Psychometric Data), 1939-1940

Box 2, Folder 15
Rockefeller Archive Center, Orange Level, Vault 204 [Unit: 124, Shelf: 1]

Copy Location

William T. Grant Foundation records (FA004)
Integrations for Good

No duplication of data
Let machines do the work
Allows small, iterative changes
Making workflows efficient
Let's Get Small

Just say no to monoliths

Flexibility, agility, and maintainability
Maintenance is Hard

Keeping systems small is ok

APIs let us drag and drop apps
It's Not Perfect

Only half done
Still more steps than necessary
Need a requesting system with an API
In Conclusion

Integrations are great
Give us more APIs
Thanks!


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