

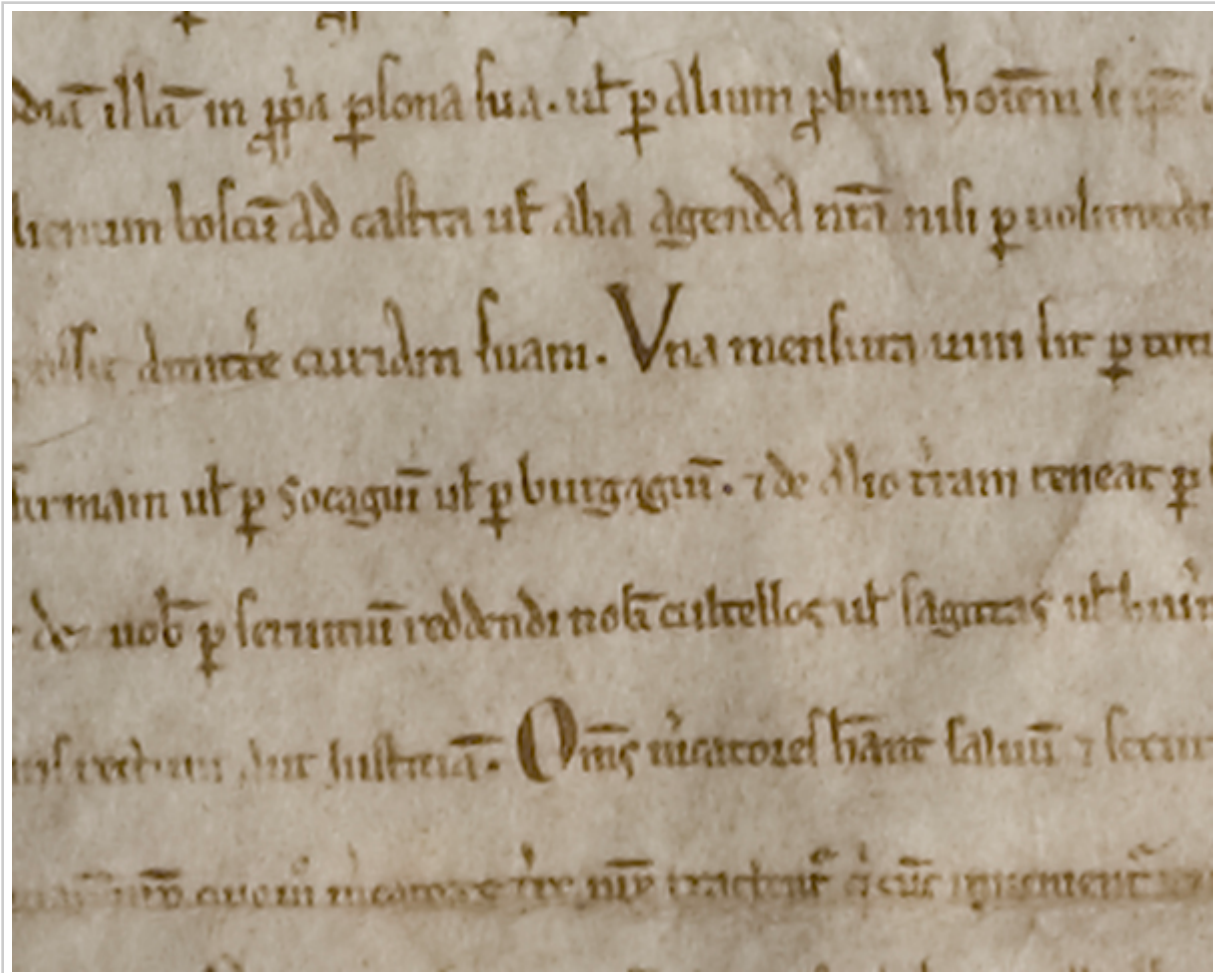
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Magna Carta is Coming to the Library of Congress

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Detail from the 1215 King John Magna Carta of Lincoln Cathedral

Today, the Library of Congress [announced officially](http://www.loc.gov/today/pr/2014/14-027.html?loclr=bloglaw) (<http://www.loc.gov/today/pr/2014/14-027.html?loclr=bloglaw>) that Magna Carta is coming to the Library! [Lincoln Cathedral](http://lincolncathedral.com/) (<http://lincolncathedral.com/>) in [Lincoln](http://www.visitlincoln.com/) (<http://www.visitlincoln.com/>), [England](http://www.loc.gov/law/help/guide/nations/england.php) (<http://www.loc.gov/law/help/guide/nations/england.php>), is loaning the Library its exemplification of a 1215 King John Magna Carta. The historical document will be part of the exhibition, *Magna Carta: Muse and Mentor*, which opens November 6, 2014 and continues through January 19, 2015. The Law Library's very own [Nathan Dorn](http://blogs.loc.gov/law/author/ndor/?loclr=bloglaw) (<http://blogs.loc.gov/law/author/ndor/?loclr=bloglaw>) is the curator for the exhibition.

It has felt a little like keeping a surprise party secret... for over a year! We've put out little breadcrumbs, namely Nathan's blog posts on Magna Carta-related items in the Law Library rare books collection:

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- [On Despising English Liberties and Other Wisdom from the Founders](http://blogs.loc.gov/law/2013/01/on-despising-english-liberties-and-other-wisdom-from-the-founders/?loclr=bloglaw) (<http://blogs.loc.gov/law/2013/01/on-despising-english-liberties-and-other-wisdom-from-the-founders/?loclr=bloglaw>)

- [John Lilburne, Oaths and the Cruel Trilemma \(http://blogs.loc.gov/law/2013/04/john-lilburne-oaths-and-the-cruel-magna-carta-is-coming-to-the-library-of-congress/\)](http://blogs.loc.gov/law/2013/04/john-lilburne-oaths-and-the-cruel-magna-carta-is-coming-to-the-library-of-congress/) <http://blogs.loc.gov/law/2014/03/magna-carta-...>
- [Keeping Time in the Middle Ages – Pic of the Week \(http://blogs.loc.gov/law/2014/01/keeping-time-in-the-middle-ages-pic-of-the-week/?locl=bloglaw\)](http://blogs.loc.gov/law/2014/01/keeping-time-in-the-middle-ages-pic-of-the-week/?locl=bloglaw)
- [From Magna Carta on Trial to the Holy Experiment \(http://blogs.loc.gov/law/2013/02/from-magna-carta-on-trial-to-the-holy-experiment/?locl=bloglaw\)](http://blogs.loc.gov/law/2013/02/from-magna-carta-on-trial-to-the-holy-experiment/?locl=bloglaw)
- [How Robin Hood Defied King John and Brought Magna Carta to Sherwood Forest \(http://blogs.loc.gov/law/2013/06/how-robin-hood-defied-king-john-and-brought-magna-carta-to-sherwood-forest/?locl=bloglaw\)](http://blogs.loc.gov/law/2013/06/how-robin-hood-defied-king-john-and-brought-magna-carta-to-sherwood-forest/?locl=bloglaw)
- [No Taxation Without Representation Circa 1215 AD \(http://blogs.loc.gov/law/2013/08/no-taxation-without-representation-circa-1215-ad-or-magna-carta-a-beginners-guide/?locl=bloglaw\)](http://blogs.loc.gov/law/2013/08/no-taxation-without-representation-circa-1215-ad-or-magna-carta-a-beginners-guide/?locl=bloglaw)

Magna Carta will celebrate its [800th anniversary \(http://magnacarta800th.com/\)](http://magnacarta800th.com/) in 2015. Look for more news on the exhibition and related events as well as blog posts on the heritage of English Liberties and Anglo-American Constitutionalism here on *In Custodia Legis* (<http://blogs.loc.gov/law/2013/02/?locl=bloglaw>) in the coming months. You can follow us on the Law Library's [Twitter account \(https://twitter.com/LawLibCongress?locl=bloglaw\)](https://twitter.com/LawLibCongress?locl=bloglaw) using the #1215MCLC hashtag. (Just remember “1215” as the year of the original Magna Carta “MC” – with “LC” standing for Library of Congress and Lincoln Cathedral!)

Hope to see you here!

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