## ARI LAVIGNE

Library services expert with research, archival, and media digitization experience. Passionate about harnessing technology to protect and preserve our collective histories.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

### Moving Image Preservation of Puget Sound Assistant Audiovisual Archivist

OCT 2017 - PRESENT

**Train** volunteers from regional heritage institutions in **digitizing** and preserving their at-risk videotape collections. Appraise, process, and digitize a wide variety of obsolete videotape formats. Develop and execute digital preservation plans consistent with OAIS principles. Write scripts to increase efficiency of digital processing. Create descriptive and technical metadata. Build collections of digitized material on Internet Archive to foster access. **Develop** and **design** cohesive and engaging outreach strategies to involve an increasingly diverse group of local heritage organizations. Collaborate with volunteers and MIPoPS team to plan, advertise, and execute successful events. **Engage** journalist and media outlets to cover MIPoPS activities, resulting in numerous **articles** and **increased interest** locally and nationally. **Write** articles for MIPoPS blog. Build and maintain videotape processing instructions for communities of interest. **Improve** open source software for working with AV materials. Advise participating institutions on best practices for caring for AV materials. Clean and perform minor repairs on obsolete video equipment. Write federal and local grants.

# University of Washington Libraries, Special Collections Digital Projects and Metadata Technician

IAN 2017 - MAR 2018

Designed and developed controlled vocabularies and data dictionaries. Streamlined workflows using CSS stylesheets to quickly and effectively create EAD compliant finding aids using ArchivesSpace and XMetaL. Collaborated with IT to create workflows that allowed us to build on existing work, not reinvent the wheel. Used DublinCore standards for building digital collections in ContentDM. Collaborated with various stakeholders to build the Pacific Northwest Political Marches and Rallies collection, one of the first born digital photograph collections at the university. Wrote technical and descriptive metadata for over 2,750 items in the collection.

# University of Washington Libraries, Special Collections Film Processing Assistant

MAR 2018 - AUG 2018

**Inventoried** Seattle filmmaker Jean Walkinshaw's donation of over 500 reels of film and videotapes. **Identified**, **labeled**, and **organized** different film generations and video formats. **Collaborated** with film archivist to create an **EAD compliant** inventory. **Assisted researchers** looking to utilize items from the collection.

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#### **SKILLS**

FFmpeg, VRECORD, OAIS, DACS, LTO, GIT, EAD, XML, bash, ArchivesSpace, XMetaL, Omeka, Premier Pro, Photoshop, Excel, WordPress

#### **EDUCATION**

University of Washington Master of Library and Information Science, June 2017

University of Cincinnati
Bachelor of Arts in History, with
honors, June 2013

Society of American Archivists: Arrangement and Description of Audiovisual Materials, Full day workshop, May 2017

Association of Moving Image Archivists: Archivists Guide to QuickTime, Half day workshop, November 2018

University of Washington Labor Archives: Processing Collections, Half day workshop, May 2017.

### **GRANTS**

National Endowment for the Humanities (2017–2019)
Magnetic Media in the Pacific Northwest: Saving Our Visual History. Assistant audiovisual archivist.

National Historical Publications & Records Commission (2018–2020) Visualizing History in the Pacific Northwest: Saving Our Magnetic Media. Assistant audiovisual archivist.

### **Seattle Activists Remembered, Celebrated, and Honored** *Research Archivist*

NOV 2016 - NOV 2017

Provided in-depth research assistance for a grant funded project to document the history of Seattle's Freeway Revolt. Collaborated with project team to plan research strategy, develop material for outreach, investigate In addition to on the ground archival research, also assisted with technical formatting, preparation for publishing, and outreach events.

### Lake Washington Institute of Technology

Archives Intern

OCT 2016 - MARCH 2017

Developed mission statement, accession workflows, donation forms, digitization workflows, digital preservation plan for a fledgling archive.

Researched and implemented an online presence for the archive (using Omeka). Created original metadata using DublinCore standards, and established clear, sustainable workflows for librarians and student workers.

### Goodwill of Seattle and King County

Team Lead - ECommerce, Online Books

MARCH 2016 - AUG 2016

First point of management contact for a team of 15 people, managing Seattle Goodwill's online bookstore. **Trained** new employees, preformed employee "coachings" and performance reviews. **Interviewed** potential hires. Provided feedback to upper management regarding day-to-day operations.

### **Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County** Senior Library Services Assistant

NOV 2012 - AUG 2015

Provided in-depth **research assistance** to patrons researching local history, genealogy, rare books, and special collections. **Digitized** archival material using best practices. Assisted in **cataloging** and **inventorying** archival material.

### **PROJECTS**

**2018–2019** Work examples from Moving History screening series: <u>UW Special</u> <u>Collections</u>, <u>Bainbridge Island Historical Museum</u>, <u>Wing Luke Museum</u>

**2017–2018** Pacific Northwest Political Marches and Rallies at the University of Washington

**2017** <u>Seattle's Freeway Revolt</u>: a Directory of Historical Resources, with SeARCH.

**2015** Type of Type - Highlighting materials from the PLCHC rare book collection.

National Endowment for the Humanities (2019-2021) DV Rescue! Community Manager/ Dissemination Support.

**4Culture** (2019) Art Installation for Storefront Media Gallery. With Libby Hopfauf.

**4Culture** (2017–2018) One Tape at a Time: Unearthing the Moving Image Record Of King County. Assistant audiovisual archivist.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

Association of Moving Image Archivists conference, "Strategies and Outcomes for Public Digitization Events: A Case Study", November 2018

Northwest Archivists conference, "Community Engagement in the Digital Age", "Movie Night with MIPoPS", April 2018

ARLIS/VRA 2017 Webinar,
"Processing Protest in the Pacific
Northwest: Technically and
Emotionally", October 2017

#### **AWARDS**

Northwest Archivists Archives Month Event Funding, October 2018

Northwest Archivists Student-At-Large Award, April 2017

Association of College and Research Libraries - Washington Conference Travel Award, October 2017