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This project would create a database of the artworks that are in the Blanton Museums exhibition America / Americas. The database would display an image of the artwork along with artist name, artist birth-death date, nationality, creation year, title, format, medium, description, credit, and the accession number. The central function of this database would allow users to search for art works by artist, creation year, and nationality. It would also allow users to sort the artworks in several ways: chronologically, by artists last name, or by nationality.

An administrator could add or remove artworks from the collection and edit the metadata when needed. The idea for this project comes out of my group project from Information Architecture (Fall 2012) where we designed a mobile app to go along with the Blanton's America / Americas exhibition. As part of that project we created an excel document that contained the 65 images in the exhibition as well as all the metadata fields that would be displayed with each piece of art, this would be the source of the data for the database. Ideally the database could be integrated into the wireframe of the mobile app to create a functioning prototype but this might be outside the scope of this class. Additionally, we are considering adding a table that links educational audio, video, and art terms to applicable art objects.