

Lady Divine's Cavalcade of Perversion: Metadata Application Profile

Content, Context, Users, & Functional Requirements

- This digital library presents a collection of stills from the nine John Waters films featuring Divine. These stills are focused on the looks worn by Divine throughout each film, presented alongside available information on location, a brief description, and other relevant details.
- Users for this digital library will most likely be film enthusiasts, John Waters fans, and people interested in drag or costume design. This library is not focused on providing full information on any of Waters' films and will not delve into details about filmography; rather, its primary focus is aesthetics.
- Functional requirements include the ability to search by film, date, location, and character, which should help users to locate relevant images of Divine. Fields like date and film will also link associated images together; thus, users are able to see all images from the same film or same year collected in one place, making this collection easily browsable, as well.
- The metadata scheme and retrieval system must allow users to
 - Search and browse by:
 - Film
 - Date
 - Location
 - Character
 - Identify image content by the elements above, and also by:
 - General description
 - Title
 - Records must also contain the following administrative information, which will be suppressed from public display:
 - Image name
 - Filename

Elements & description

Below is a very condensed table to provide an overview of all fields. Each field is covered in more detail afterwards and an example value is provided for each, along with one example of an object with all of its metadata.

	obligation	cardinality	controlled vocab/scheme	mapping to Dublin Core
objectid	required	non-repeatable	-	Identifier

filename	required	non-repeatable	-	Identifier
title	required	repeatable	-	Title
format	required	repeatable	Internet Media Types (MIME)	Format
latitude	optional	repeatable	Thesaurus of Geographic Names (TGN) Geonames	Coverage
longitude	optional	repeatable	Thesaurus of Geographic Names (TGN) Geonames	Coverage
date	required	repeatable	W3CDTF	Date
subject	optional	repeatable	-	Subject
location	optional	repeatable	Thesaurus of Geographic Names (TGN) Geonames	Coverage
description	required	repeatable	-	Description
film	required	repeatable	own, below	Source

objectid

required; non-repeatable

The objectid field contains each item's unique ID. These IDs are created as each item is added into the system; thus, the first item in the collection would be divine001, the second divine002, etc. There will not be more than 999 items in the collection, so this naming convention will work easily for the entire digital library.

Example value: divine069

filename

required; non-repeatable

The filename field contains the name of each item. Its value must match the actual filename exactly. Filenames should also match each item's objectID. If an object includes multiple images, they should be titled divine069.png and divine069-2.png, etc.

Example value: divine069.png

title

required; repeatable

The title field contains the title of each item. Titles should be brief but descriptive in a general way. They need not include the film title or outfit details, as those will be included in the full description.

Example value: Divine shoplifts in *Pink Flamingos*

format

required; repeatable

The format field contains the format of each object. Format can be image/jpeg or image/png.

Example value: image/png

latitude

optional; repeatable

The latitude field contains the latitude of the location where the scene featured in each image was filmed, if known.

Example value: 39.2904

longitude

optional; repeatable

The longitude field contains the longitude of the location where the scene featured in each image was filmed, if known.

Example value: -76.6122

date

required; repeatable

The date field contains the release date for the film each still is taken from in YYYY format.

Example value: 1972

subject

optional; repeatable

The subject field contains the name of the character Divine is playing in each still. Multiple values are allowed and any number of subjects from the following list, our controlled vocabulary for this field, can be used:

- Divine
- Babs Johnson
- Dawn Davenport
- Lady Divine
- Edna Turnblad
- Francine Fishpaw
- Earl Peterson
- Arvin Hodgepile
- Diane Linkletter
- Jacqueline Kennedy
- Unnamed

Example value: Babs Johnson; Divine

location

optional; repeatable

The location field contains the name of the location where the scene featured in each still was filmed. Location is generally Baltimore.

Example value: Baltimore, Maryland

description

required; repeatable

The description field provides more information on the film, scene, character, and outfit featured in each still. Descriptions should be one to two sentences and provide basic context on who Divine is playing, what's happening in the scene, where it is set if relevant, and what the character is wearing, which can be described in general terms (a silver dress, a leopard-print bra, a red mermaid dress) as details like designer and year are generally not known when it comes to Waters' films.

Example value: Divine, alias Babs Johnson, shoplifts a steak—shoved up her skirt—while wearing a mink stole, a shiny wiggle dress, rhinestone earrings, and her signature makeup in *Pink Flamingos*.

film

required; repeatable

The film field contains the title of the film each still was taken from. Acceptable film titles, which function as our controlled vocabulary for this field, are as follows:

- *Roman Candles*
- *Eat Your Makeup*
- *Mondo Trasho*
- *Multiple Maniacs*
- *The Diane Linkletter Story*
- *Pink Flamingos*
- *Female Trouble*
- *Polyester*
- *Hairspray*

Example value: *Pink Flamingos*

Example record



objectid: divine069

filename: divine069.png

title: Divine shoplifts in *Pink Flamingos*

format: image/png

latitude: 39.2904

longitude: -76.6122

date: 1972

subject: Babs Johnson;Divine

location: Baltimore, Maryland

description: Divine, alias Babs Johnson, shoplifts a steak—shoved up her skirt—while wearing a mink stole, a shiny wiggle dress, rhinestone earrings, and her signature makeup in *Pink Flamingos*.

film: *Pink Flamingos*