Unexpected Opportunities Illuminated by LUX

https://lux.collections.yale.edu/

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# What is LUX?

A ground-breaking discovery and research platform, providing unified digital access to the collections of our museums, libraries and archives









38,208



586,814 Places



Launch Date: June 1<sup>st</sup> 2023

### Features of LUX

An intuitive and highly functional product

- ... Built on Linked Open Usable Data
- … Reconciled and Enriched from
- ... Automatically and at scale
- ... With text search, facets
- ... And graph queries

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# 1. Beyond LUX

Yale University Art Gallery contracted to rebuild their collection site using their data that drives LUX.



The Declaration of Independence, July 4, 1776 Artist: John Trumbull (American, 1756–1843)

1786–1820 American Paintings and Sculpture

ON VIEW, 2ND FLOOR, AMERICAN ART BEFORE 1900

Greatly impressed with John Trumbull's plans to execute a series of American history paintings, Thomas Jefferson invited the artist to stay with him in Paris. There, Trumbull wrote, "I began the composition of the Declaration of Independence, with the assistance of [Jefferson's] information and advice." Trumbull represents the moment when the committee appointed to draw up the document submitted Jefferson's draft for the

Yale Peabody Museum is beginning work on using LUX data and infrastructure to rebuild their collection site.

	Torosaurus latus Marsh, 1891		Similar Items
	Catalog Number:	YPM VP 001830	Torosaurus gladius; YPM VP 001831 (HOLOTYPE); North America; USA; Wyoming; Niobrara County; John B. Hatcher, Yale Hatcher 1891 Cretaceous Expedition; 1891
	Department:	Vertebrate Paleontology	
	Scientific Name:	Torosaurus latus Marsh, 1891, HOLOTYPE	
	Taxonomy:	Animalia; Chordata; Vertebrata; Amniota; Reptilia; Diapsida; Archosauria;	Torosaurus latus; YPM VP 057489; North America; USA; Montana
	Identification:	Ornithischia; Ceratopsia; Ceratopsidae Det. by: Othniel C. Marsh, 1891	Torosaurus latus; YPM VP 065865
	Common Name:	dinosaurs; Reptiles; vertebrates; chordates; animals	Gypsonictops hypoconus; YPM VP 053315; North America; USA; Wyoming; Niobrara County;



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#### 2. Beyond Cultural Heritage

Can we use Knowledge Graphs elsewhere at Yale?

- Could LUX discover relevant research datasets?
- Benefits of describing core University functions?
- Use the data to build AI / LLM services
  - ... that don't suffer from hallucinations?

#### 3. Beyond Yale ... to You?

- Interest from 50+ organizations from around the world
- Currently cleaning code to make available as open source
- Proposed a 12 month project to IMLS to discuss:
  - Governance of the model and products
  - Collaborative solutions for technical barriers to entry
- If funded, project will pay travel for 1 ½ day meeting following CNI Fall Forum 2024

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Please get in touch if interested!

