

## **Podcasting and Information Literacy: Jazz in the Library**

The following information is also available online at:  
[www.gettysburg.edu/~tsestric/podcast.htm](http://www.gettysburg.edu/~tsestric/podcast.htm)

### **What is it?**

"All the Things You Are: Jazz in the Library," is an information literacy podcast originally created for the fall 2004 Gettysburg College class *Jazz: The Evolution of America's Music*. It was intended to introduce students, most of who majored in subjects other than music, to the different types and locations of music and jazz-related resources in Musselman Library.

Students were encouraged to download the podcast to their own computers, or to listen to it on the library's iPods, and were required to complete a worksheet with questions about the podcast's content. A follow-up, in-class information literacy session went into more detail about finding and using the resources.

### **Why podcast?**

- Flexibility and convenience for students
- Push information about resources to their own computers and MP3 players
- Save time during in-person information literacy sessions

### **How?**

1. Create audio content, using a computer, a headset microphone, and Audacity, a free, open-source MP3 editing program (<http://audacity.sourceforge.net/>)
2. Save audio content and link where students can find it – we used Musselman Library's Music Databases and Subject Guides web page (<http://www.gettysburg.edu/library/db/music.html>)
3. If desired, create RSS feed to enable subscription, and then make more podcasts!

### **More Resources - General Information:**

There's Something in the Air: Podcasting in Education  
<http://www.educause.edu/apps/er/erm05/erm0561.asp>

Podcasting puts you in charge of the show  
[http://seattlepi.nwsourc.com/tv/217426\\_podcast.html](http://seattlepi.nwsourc.com/tv/217426_podcast.html)

NITLE: Liberal Education Today: <http://apps.nitle.org/blog/index.php?cat=41>

*How'd They Do That: Technological Solutions to Traditional Public Services Problems*  
*Tim Sestrick, Gettysburg College*  
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Podcasting News: <http://www.podcastingnews.com>

*Online tutorials:*

Make Your First Podcast  
<http://www.podcastingnews.com/articles/How-to-Podcast.html>

Making a Podcast with Blogger and FeedBurner  
[http://www.podcastingnews.com/articles/Make\\_Podcast\\_Blogger.html](http://www.podcastingnews.com/articles/Make_Podcast_Blogger.html)

How to Create Your Own Podcast - A Step-by-Step Tutorial  
<http://radio.about.com/od/podcastin1/a/aa030805a.htm>

Making an RSS Feed  
<http://searchenginewatch.com/sereport/article.php/2175271>

*Library and Academic Podcasts:*

Stanford on iTunes: <http://itunes.stanford.edu/>

Dowling College Library: <http://www.dowling.edu/library/newsblog/podcasts.asp>

Purdue University Boilercasts (scroll down for undergraduate library tour)  
<http://boilercast.itap.purdue.edu:1013/Boilercast/>

Ohio University Alden Library: <http://www.library.ohiou.edu/libinfo/vtour/podcast/>

Duke University Podcasting Symposium  
<http://isis.duke.edu/events/podcasting/casts.html>

Lansing Public Library: <http://www.lansing.lib.il.us/podcast.htm>

Pritzker Military Library  
<http://www.pritzkermilitarylibrary.org/podcast/index.jsp>

*Podcast Directories and Aggregators*

iTunes: <http://www.apple.com/itunes/podcasts/>  
<http://www.odeo.com/>  
<http://ipodder.org/>  
<http://podcastalley.com/>  
<http://www.podcast.net/>