

**A possible future for our cultural heritage:
The dream of building an archive/library on the Moon**

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Archive:

- Variety of materials
- Person, family, or organization
- Conduct of their affairs
- Enduring value
- Evidence functions and responsibilities creator

Archival institution:

- Appraise
- Preserve
- Provide access



Library:

- Collection of recourses
- Organized by information professionals
- Physical, digital, bibliographic and intellectual
- Education and entertainment
- Stimulate individual learning
- Advancing society as a whole

Reasons for choosing the moon

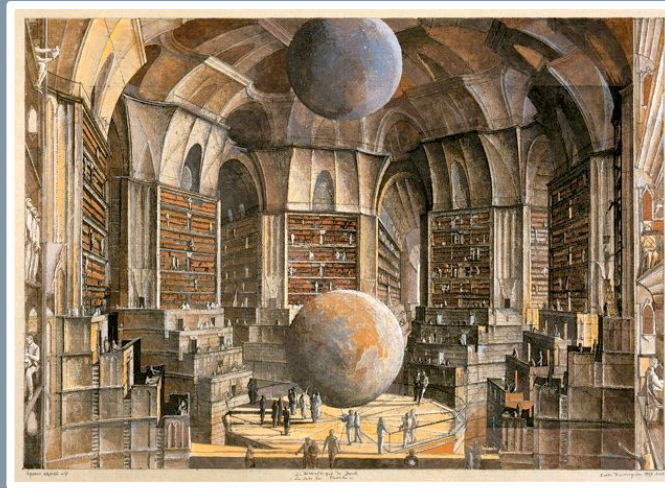
Next step in space exploration and colonization:

- **Survival**
 - New ways of living
 - Local environment as resource
- **Safety**
 - Asteroid guidance
 - Worldwide collaboration
- **New perspectives**
 - Live on Earth
 - Where we come from
- **Second space race**
 - Government vs. private
 - Do better, learn quicker

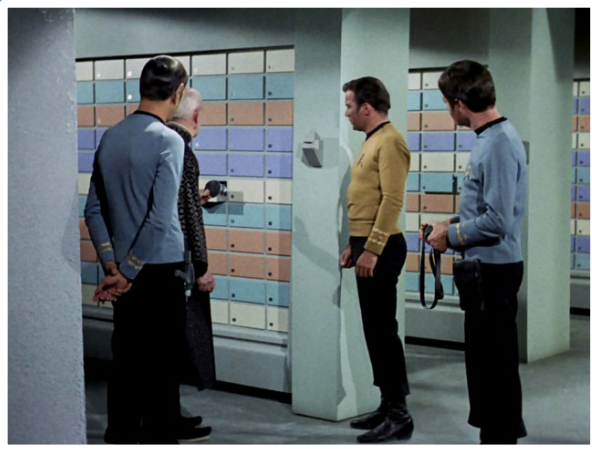
Building an archive and library:

- **Help accomplish motives**
 - Survival, safety, new perspective, second space race
- **Social and cultural perspective**
 - Uniqueness vs. togetherness
- **Future lessons**
 - What to teach the next generation
- **Safeguard humanity**
 - Preservation base

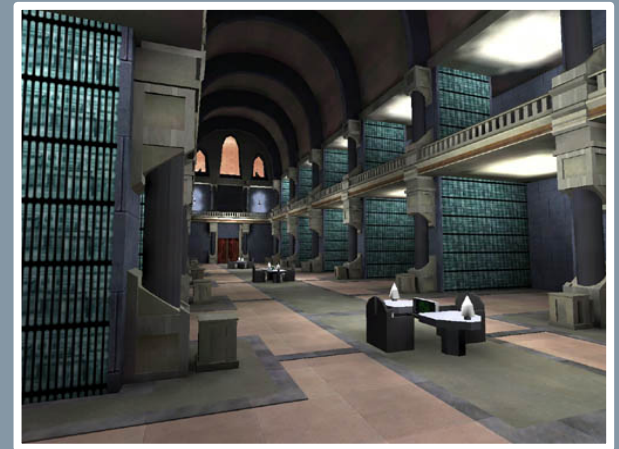




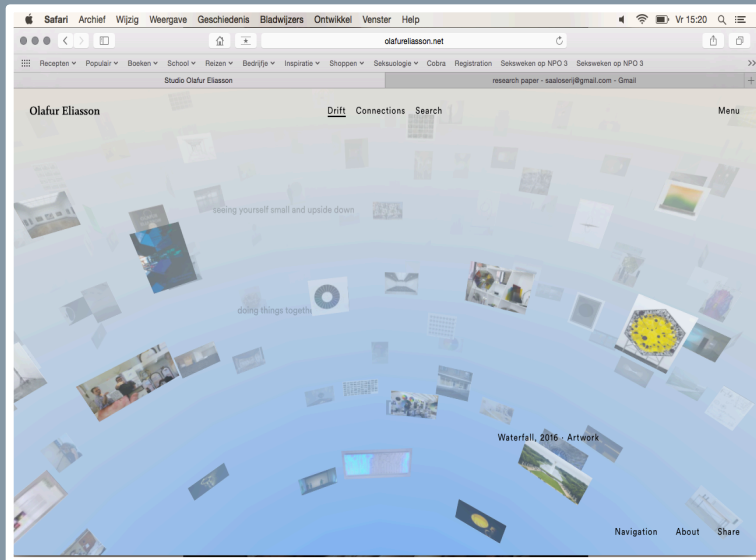
Library of Babel
Jorge Luis Borges



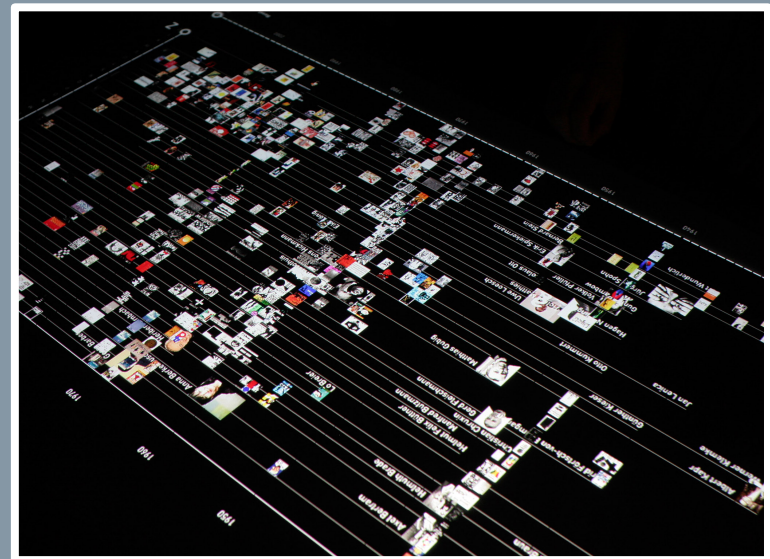
Sarpeidon Library
Star Trek



Jedi Archives
Star Wars



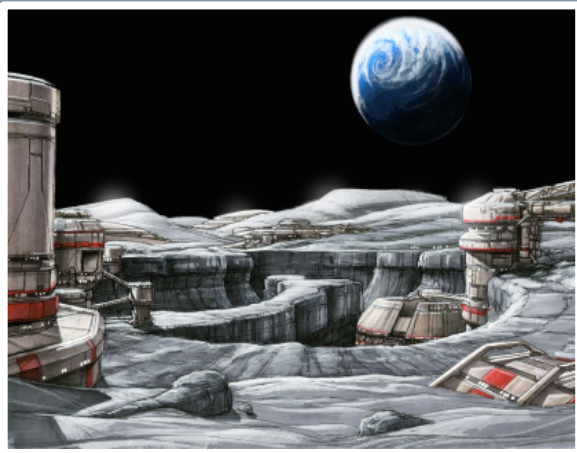
Uncertain archive
Olafur Eliasson



Interactive Research Table
Markus Lerner & Plural



Venus Project
Jacque Fresco



Mining facility



ESA Moon habitat

BUT...



Space exploration:

- Expensive
- For people with money

Space tourism:

- No research
- Spontaneous ideas



Outer space treaty:

- No one owns the moon
- For nations signed and ratified

Lack of laws:

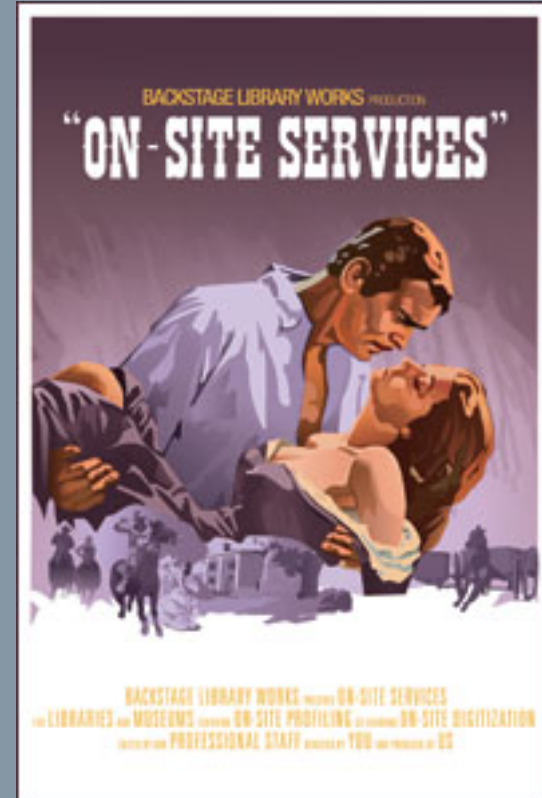
- No protection of environment or possible ecosystems

Ask yourself



By everybody and for everybody?

Open and free?



Is it still the same?

New concept or just storage space?

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The trainees and the community

Diverse answers and interesting perspectives



“Why? And for Whom?”

“How about the difficult countries?”

“Preserve the moon as it is.”

“Based on Earth’s divisions.”

“How incredibly cool!”

The experts

Strong opinions and lots of advice

“I don’t want do be involved.”

“Too futuristic.”

“Is this real?”

“This is serious business.”

“Overcome cultural differences.”



UN Ethics Office | International Council on Archives | Internet Archive | Google Books
UNESCO Memory of the Word | National Archive eDepot program

We live in a world where technology is consuming society, ethics and our core existence. It is time to take responsibility for the world we are creating.

Time to put humans before business.

The Copenhagen Letter

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