WRAC Site Review
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Please visit http://csg.uwaterloo.ca/beta/learningspace/ and choose Arts and Culture.

1. Opening page

Text changed – INFORMATION PROVIDED BY displayed before the title to indicate that the data is from WRAC but to distinguish that it is not WRAC's web site.

3. Cultural Directory

Categories reorganized to reflect the 2001 directory

Choose music category:
The generated list intermixes individuals and organizations ordered by lastname.

Specialty was added to the listing. Specialty field for an individual is retrieved from the cutluraldirectoryspecialtydetails table. Organizations do not appear to have records in this table so there were many empty "specialty" fields. Therefore, I extended the query to include the ORGMandate field from the culturaldirectory table. Some of the content of this field does not appear to be a mandate and if an individual in the cultural directory has a "representative" then the ORGMandate field often contains data that appears to be related to the representative. (e.g. Janet Laverne Baker)
Q. What should be referenced from the database for the specialty field?

Choose the detail listing for Janet Laverne Baker:
Additional field have been added to the detail listing including Instructor, Representative/Contact and Mandate.
Janet Laverne Baker has 2 records in the detail listing because she has 2 records in the cultural directory for 2 different categories. The results should be collapsed to a single detail record.
Q. Should the multiple categories be included in the detail or only the detail for the current category (e.g. only detail for the music category and not visual arts?

List all individuals and List all organizations added.
Q. Is this feature useful?

Go back to the Cultural Directory page and choose "Search.the directory".
Q. What field(s) should be searched for specialty (see question above about individual versus organization specialty) ?

Enter "ceramics" in the specialty field and press the Find button. The listing displayed is a "detail" listing.
Q. Should the results be a detail listing as shown or a summary listing as shown, for example, "music"?

4. Exhibition and Performance Venue Inventory
No changes
Waiting for new database

5. Profiles
Changed the title to Profiles
Added List all organizations. Added a sample entry for Waterloo Regional Arts
Council but no profile data.
Modified search profiles to include artists or organizations.
Q. Is this organization of Profiles OK?

6. Press Room
No changes