Improving Services with Local Initiatives
Mission

The Humanities Library anticipates and responds to the research and information needs of the MIT Community with special emphasis on supporting the programs of the School of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences... We enhance the quality of life at MIT by developing a diverse collection for self education and discovery and by sustaining an inviting environment.
WHO ARE OUR USERS?

- Teaching Faculty 209 in Humanities supported programs
- Graduate students 128 in Humanities supported programs
- Undergraduate Students 7,434 in Humanities supported classes
- MIT Community 20,000+ community members
Access services

- Streamlined applications for BLC and Harvard Cards
- Barcoded Hayden bound journals for online circulation
- Created online circulation for unbound journal issues
- Increased e-reserve support for Science and Humanities courses
- Eliminated hand filled search cards
Outreach Services

- Scheduled Ask us anything drop in sessions
- Co-hosted office hours with faculty for students
- Expanded use of IM for on-demand librarian consultations
- Increased one on one consultations
- Bookmobile hosts MIT clubs
Getting out there

- Facebook presence
- Virtual Browsery [http://scripts.mit.edu/~gpadilla/blog/](http://scripts.mit.edu/~gpadilla/blog/)
- RSS feeds for our subjects
- Circulating iPods
- Scanning for music scores--e-reserves
- Coming soon--a circulating Kindle--Amazon’s e-book reader
Collections Projects

- Music Oral History Project
- Yankee re-profiling
- MIT Symphony Orchestra on CD from reel to reel tapes
- Large DVD gift has increased our film collection to over 700 films
- Gift from Alumna Barbara Ostrom for our Science Fiction materials
Spaces

- Comfy spaces created in Reading Room
- Browsery and area for Graphic Novels, audio books and DVD’s expanded
QUESTIONS?