

11 things for Access Centers to know about Youtube and their channel

look like a professional organization at the channel level!

fill out the [profile](#) (Vimeo) or the [about](#) (Youtube) section of the channel.

indicate the location - city/county/state of your facility.

[Cunningham Memorial Library of Indiana State University](#)

[Marathon City School District](#)

[osulibraries's channel](#)

add a human readable user name or channel name

[tslacl](#)

use proper spelling and CAPITALIZATION on the channel name

use your city, county, organization's official logo

get educated about formats used in web video vs broadcast tv

HD vs. SD, 16x9 vs 4x3 Aspect Ratio

send your "best" format, not your SD broadcast version

but don't upload a 20GB 20 minute video output from Final Cut to Youtube.

edit ruthlessly!

the last thing you want to overhear about your 64 minute project is

"that would make a good 45 minute video"

try to stay within the 30 - 60 minute programming time blocks

you'll get more access centers willing to air your non-local show!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oNv64SHqs5o>

"3D print July 28, 2015" runtime 8:00:00

distribute through multiple channels - but use appropriate format

if you want to distribute your show to air on other public access TV, provide a **link to a broadcast-ready format** not your Youtube channel. Options include:

pegmedia.org, Telvue Media X-change, Internet Archive (need 50 items for before they'll assign your own collection unless you're a part of the Community Media Archive), or the LinkedIn

"Public Access TV" group (3,100 members)

educate yourself about the **Creative Commons** licensing options, label your media appropriately

on all platforms. if you upload to Youtube but have used a **CC license** elsewhere,

please make sure your show isn't labeled with the **Youtube Standard License**

Tagging and Titling

use proper spelling and CAPITALIZATION on the channel name

don't reuse titles each week for meetings or series.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/AmesChannel12/videos>

make them unique, by including the date (meetings) or episode name (series) in the title

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don't use “|” in titles. It makes John grumpy when he's cataloging your metadata.
he uses it as a field separator

<https://www.youtube.com/user/AmesChannel12/videos>

use only “AZaz0-9_-” characters in video titles

it will make the transition to Internet Archive smoother (title become identifier)

use proper spelling and CAPITALIZATION on the titles

<https://vimeo.com/99101712> "RANCHING ACCIDENT ENDS WITH LIFE FLIGHT RESPONSE"

<https://vimeo.com/73902963> "PART I – TODD MAY, NASA – SPEAKING TO FAIRHOPE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS – 9.5.13"

provide as much metadata about the show as possible.

how is someone ever going to find it in an online video archive of millions of items?

put the **episode information first**, then the series information

it's counterintuitive, but more **search engine friendly**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NEPj30LcTeM>

add a **tags:** or **keywords:** line in the Youtube description

this can be easily mapped to Archive's subject/keywords

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cTsnbbnvNu0>

or use Vimeo's tags

<https://vimeo.com/rompevientotv/videos/sort:date/format:detail>

Click on “more details” link under each video

<https://vimeo.com/135080906>

Tags appear under Related Collections

More Resources:

[Spreadsheet summary of Access Centers, Governments, Schools & Libraries use of Youtube and Vimeo as of 7/29/15](#)

Photo Mosaics made from Youtube video thumbnails:

[Erica Jones photo mosaic image made from Somerville Community Access TV Youtube thumbnails](#)

[Mike Wassenaar photo mosaic made from Saint Paul Neighborhood Network Youtube thumbnails](#)

[Daniel Krawczyk photo mosaic image made from PEG Media Partners Youtube thumbnails](#)

[Access Humboldt photo mosaic test of using Internet Archive thumbnails for tiles](#)

[SHLB Conference Logo as a Photo Mosaic made from libraries Youtube thumbnails](#)

Community Media Archive Wiki:

[ACM 2015 National Conference Presentation Links](#)