




Project Management from the Middle: Practical Strategies for Managing Inherited Projects

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Why this presentation (and the title)...

“Project Management from the Middle”

Managing inherited projects

And now, an obligatory caveat...



~~Project Management 101~~

Projects in the Fine Arts Cataloging Unit at UK Libraries

Project manager for:

Lair Sheet Music Collection

School of Music Recordings Collection



Practical Strategies for Managing Inherited Projects



1. Talk to your colleagues:
stakeholders, supervisors, (previous project
manager/s)



2. Documentation: workflows, project plan



3. Project team:

If you don't have one, get one!



4. Goals. Deliverables. Timelines.



5. Changes to project directions
(and clear communication)

Resources:

Tatiana Drapkin. "[Inheriting A Project? Five Steps To A Smooth Transition](#)." March 27, 2013.

Lisa Jeskins. "[Library Project Management 101](#)." ALA ALCTS Pre-conference. June 11-12, 2019.

Becky Skeen. "[Project management](#)." OLAC 2020 Virtual Conference Workshop. October 16, 2020.

[Cristela Garcia-Spitz](#). "A Thoughtful Approach to Project Management: From Fundamentals to Practice." Visual Resources Association Regional Workshop. November 5 & 19, 2021.

Project Management Institute (PMI) [website](#).

- Standards, Publications, Trainings, Webinars, and Virtual events

Brett Harned. "[How to Create a Project Plan in 5 Simple Steps](#)." (Accessed February 6, 2022)

- Gantt chart sample

Thank you!

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