Canadian Heritage Information Network
Contribution to AAT with Nomenclature

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Overview

• Who is the Canadian Heritage Information Network (CHIN)?

• What is Nomenclature?

• How did we contribute to the AAT?
Who is CHIN?
Canadian Heritage Information Network (CHIN) is

- A **special operating agency** within the department of Canadian Heritage of the Government of Canada

- CHIN assists Canadian museums in **documenting, managing, and sharing** information about their **collections**

- CHIN offers valuable collections management **resources** to the Canadian museum community and **online public access** to millions of collections records.
Serving the Museums for almost 50 years

- **1972** – The National Inventory Program (NIP)
- **1982** – [Canadian Heritage Information Network](#) (CHIN)
- **1990** – Professional resources and tools on the Web
- **1998** – [Artefacts Canada](#) (AC) National Online Database
- **2001** – Virtual Museum of Canada (VMC)
- **2014** – Focus back to collections management
- **2015** – Standards development and modernization of the Artefacts Canada Portal
- **2018** – [Nomenclature](#) for Museum Cataloging
- **2020** – Nomenclature in LOD
What is Nomenclature?
Collaboration between
- Canadian Heritage Information Network (CHIN);
- American Association for State and Local History (AASLH); and
- Parks Canada.

Includes
- the entire Nomenclature 4.0 as published in 2015;
- terminology, definitions, illustrations and bibliographic references from the Parks Canada Descriptive and Visual Dictionary of Objects; and
- a complete French version.
Harmonization of Parks Canada Visual Dictionary with Nomenclature
Validation and importation into **PoolParty**
Contribution to the AAT
### December 2018:

14,917 terms sent to the Getty

### July 2019:

5,843 available terms from an automated match

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**Nomenclature term:**

https://www.nomenclature.info/nom/7453

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**Terms:**

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**Nomenclature for Museum Cataloging:**

http://nomenclature.info/nom/7453; scheme: Nomenclature-Objects

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**Parks Canada Descriptive Dictionary of Objects:**

Dictionary descriptif d'objets (c 1996)
Starting in October 2019: candidate terms made available in temporary alphabetical lists within the AAT hierarchies.

- Ex. *Temporary alphabetical toys*

All 14,917 terms added in AAT as of January 2020.
SPARQL Query

• SPARQL query to find all Nomenclature terms:

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select * {?vp a gvp:Subject; dcterms:source/bibo:locator ?nom FILTER(contains(str(?nom),'nomenclature.info'))}
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• Getty’s website: [http://vocab.getty.edu/](http://vocab.getty.edu/)
Thank you!

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