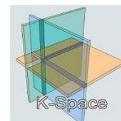




Interacting with the semantic media web

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UvA, Multimedia Interaction



Google Search: Rembrandt chiaroscuro - Galeon

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INS2 Absence CWI Intranet dblp.uni-trier Frankh W3C SYMM NL nieuws International news

Google and chiaroscuro < citeseer Dictionary WordNet Bridge

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Rembrandt chiaroscuro Google Search

Web Images Groups Directory News

Searched the web for **Rembrandt chiaroscuro**. Results 1 - 10 of about 2,490. Search took 0.19 sec.

The Cuypers Multimedia Transformation Engine
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Inquiry | List of Illustrations
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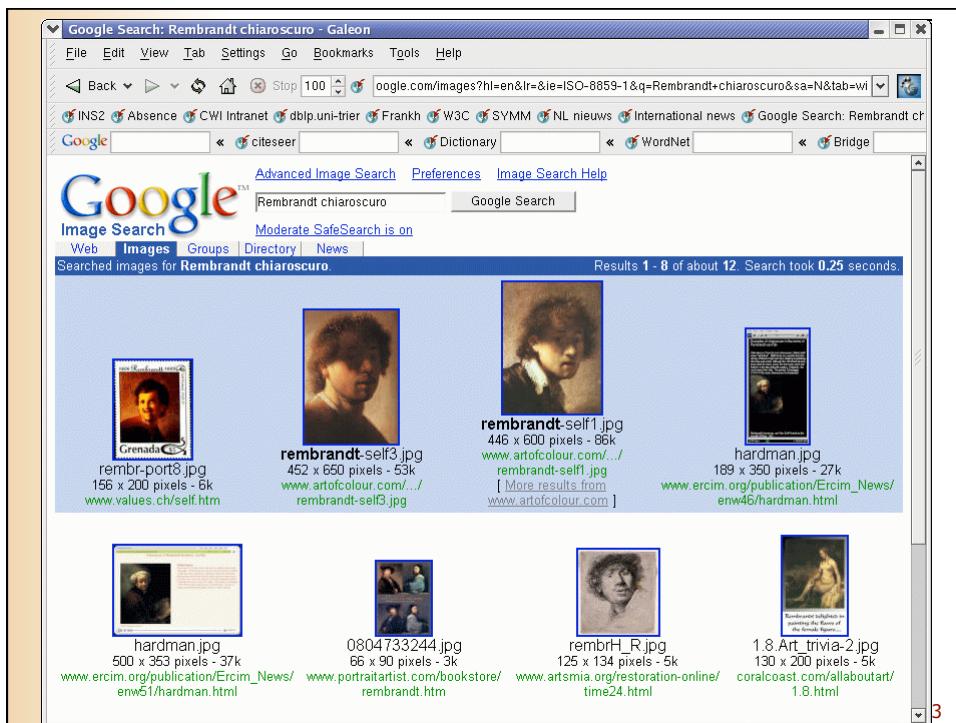
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Rembrandt: Art.com
Over 100,000 Posters & Prints!
Custom Framing Available
www.art.com
Interest

Rembrandt
Research Rembrandt at the world's largest online library.
www.questia.com
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Rembrandt Paintings

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One size *doesn't* fit all



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The problem

- Too many users need their own information
 - for their level of expertise
 - using appropriate media
 - in an appropriate style
 - displayed on their own device
- Multimedia presentation design is expensive
- There has to be some automation in the process

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The Context

- Web
 - open and linked
 - is with us now
- Semantic Web
 - open and richly linked
 - is under development
 - particularly for machine processing
- User's information task
- Media and metadata
 - either already available to the system
 - or can be generated, or supplied by the user
 - *remember the Canonical Processes of Media Production*

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Interaction Design for the SW

- Understand how to design presentations "by hand".
 - How can machines help us with the details?
- We can use information sources available on the SW and make them available to end-users.
 - Which metadata is useful for improving querying, organisation, or presentation?
- Then we need to deal with:
 - Selecting a sub-set (semantic search)
 - Grouping and ordering (linking to extra) for end-user.
(Start with "data" based structuring and move to discourse based.)
- Extra "semantics" allows richer search functionality
 - beyond fact-finding

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RealOne Player

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Chiaroscuro & Rembrandt Harmensz. van Rijn

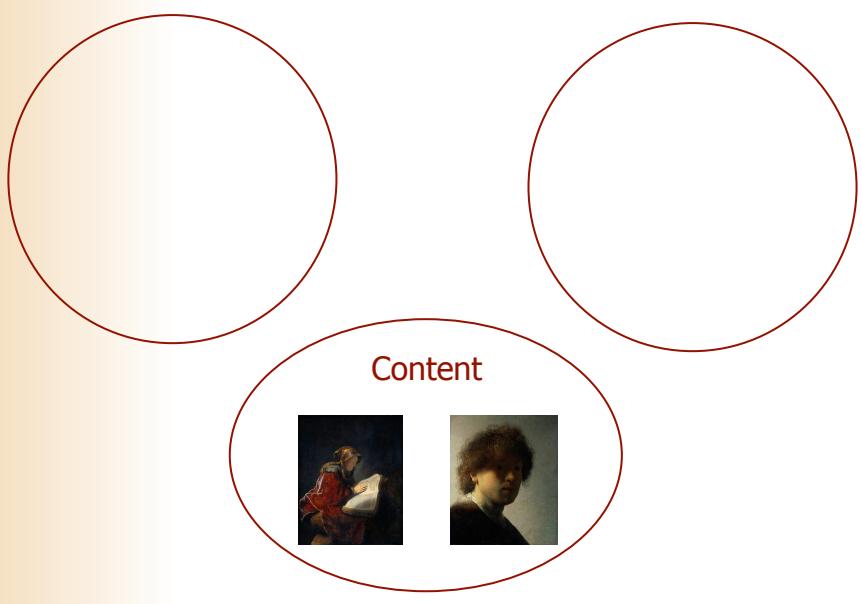


Chiaroscuro
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Self Portrait (1661)

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Three ingredients



Content

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Content of example



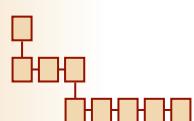
Clair-obscur (Frans) en chiaroscuro (Italiaans) betekenen 'licht-donker'. Beide termen worden gebruikt om sterke licht-donkercontrasten in schilderijen, tekeningen en prenten aan te duiden. Hoewel het effect al eerder werd toegepast, is de term pas sinds het einde van de 16de eeuw in zwang. De oorsprong van het woord ligt in Italië. De schilder Caravaggio (1573-1610) maakte het chiaroscuro-effect tot zijn handelsmerk. Hij was een meester in het schilderen van donkere taferelen met één felle lichtbundel.



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Three ingredients

Presentation
structure

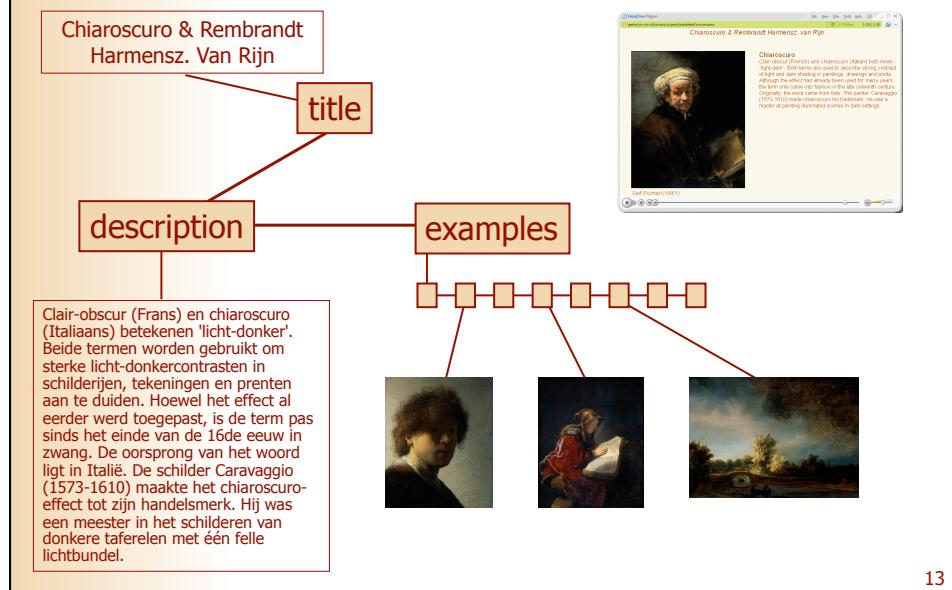


Content



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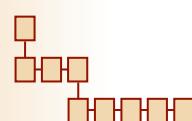
Presentation structure of example



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Three ingredients

Presentation
structure



Aesthetics

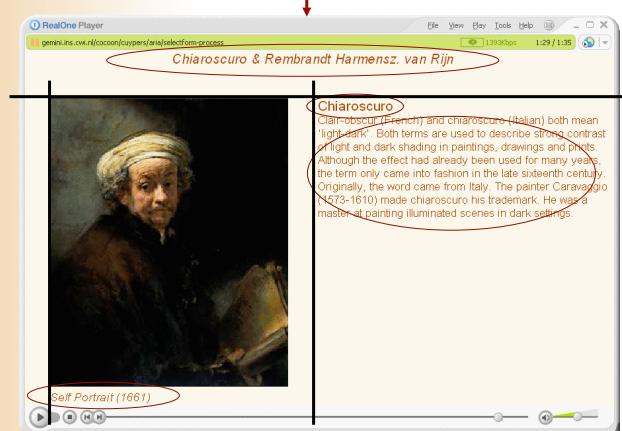
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Content



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Aesthetics of example



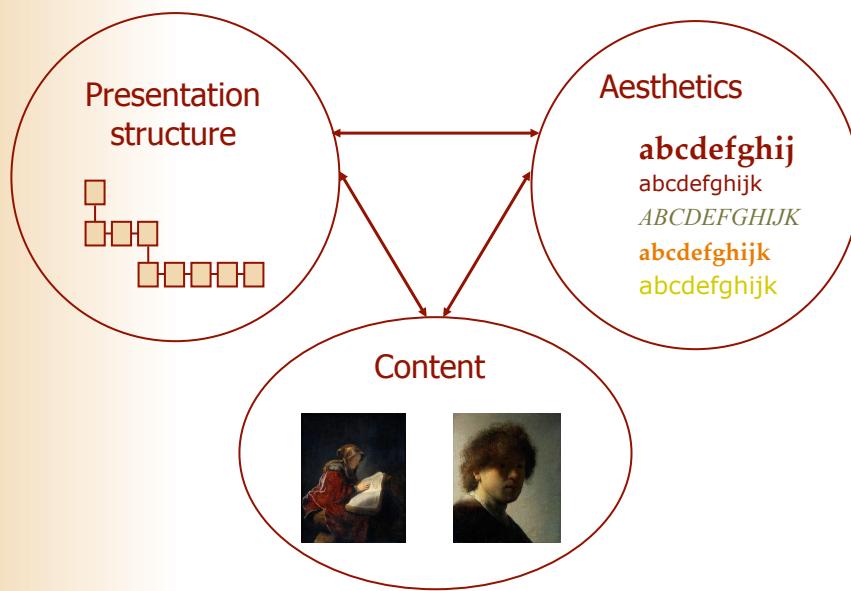
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Layout

Colours

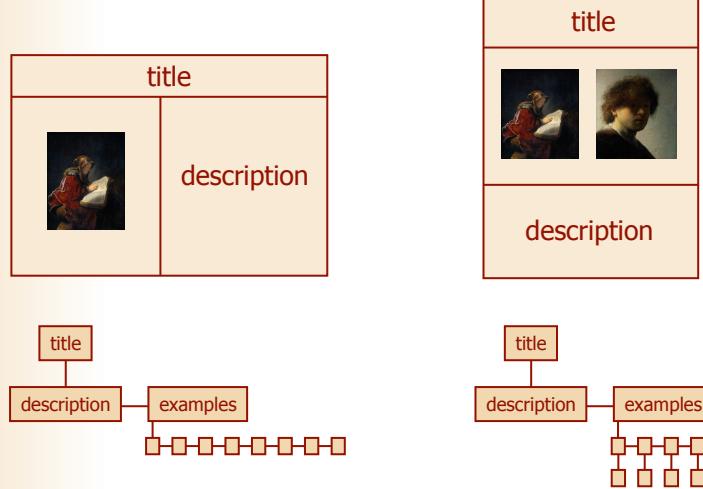
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Design dependencies



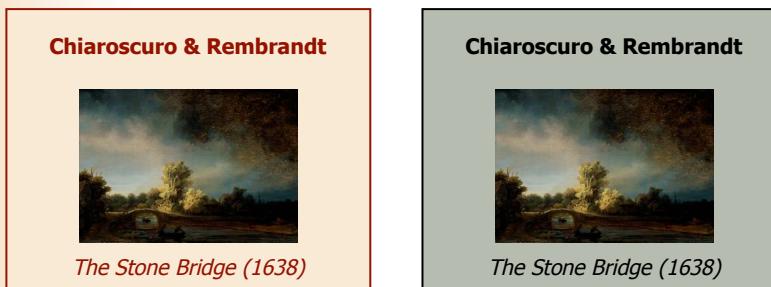
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Presentation Structure depends on Layout



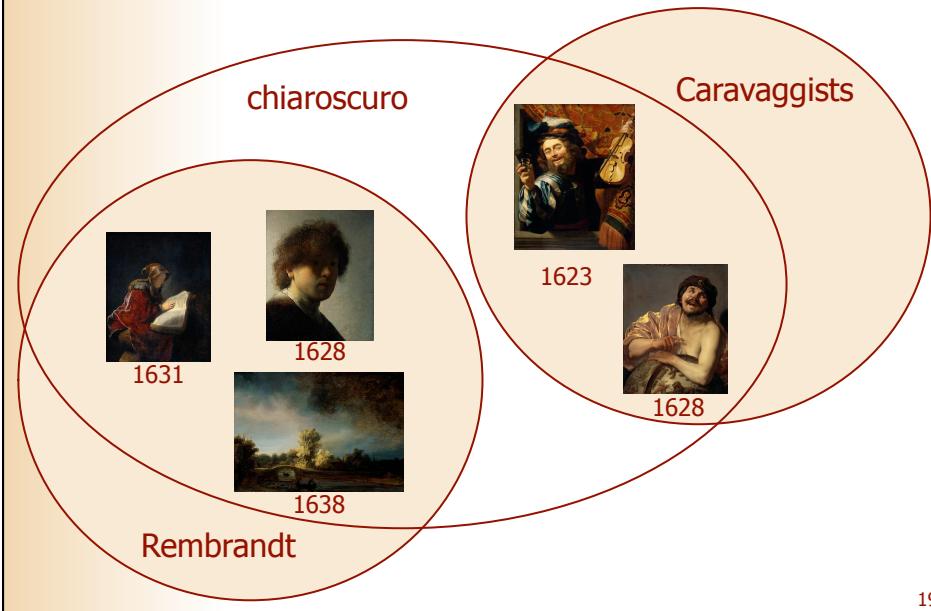
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Style Depends on Content

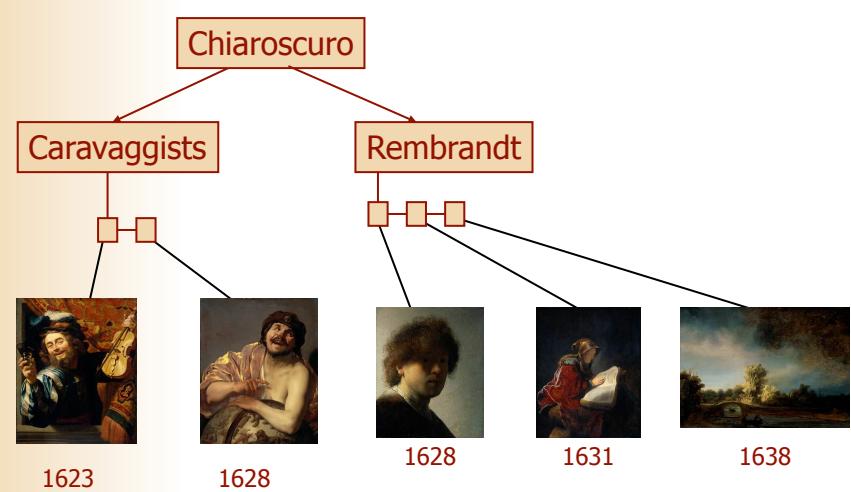


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Presentation structure depends on content



Example Presentation Structure



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Different presentation styles

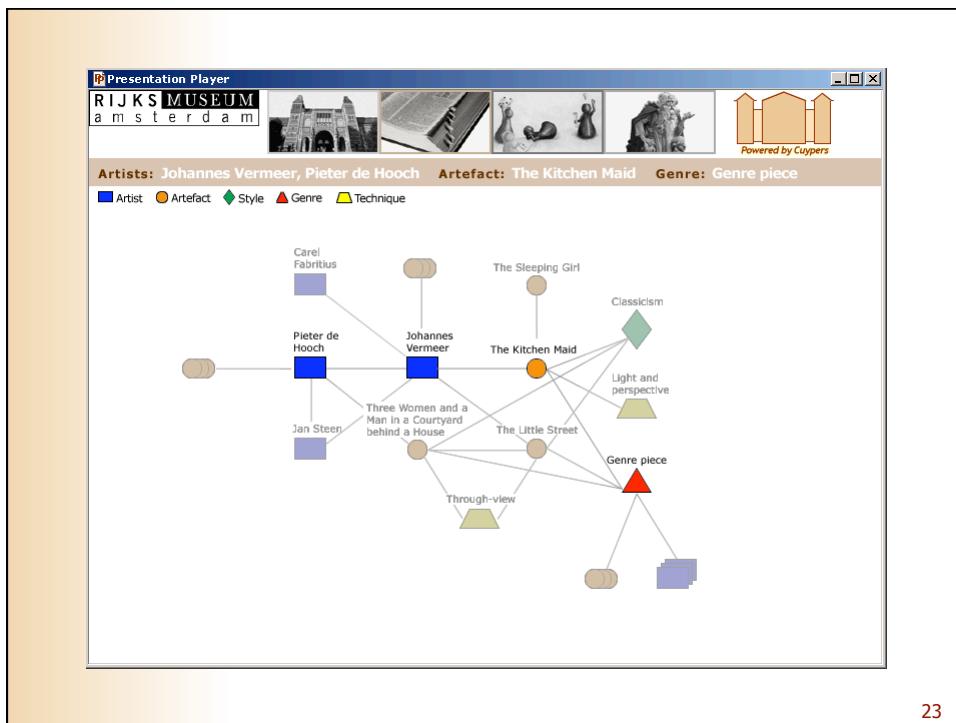
- Large amount of information
- High interaction

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The screenshot shows a window titled "RIJKS MUSEUM" with a sub-header "amsterdam". At the top, there are five small images of artworks. Below the header, a banner says "Artists: Johannes Vermeer, Pieter de Hooch". A navigation bar at the bottom of the banner includes "Step 1: choose artist", "Step 2: choose artefact", "Step 3: choose genre", and "FINISHED". The main content area asks "Please choose the artist(s) you want information about:" and lists letters A through Z. The letter "H" is highlighted with a red box. The list of artists is as follows:

Haag, Tethart Philipp Christian	Hiller, Joachim
Haarlem, Cornelis Cornelisz. van	Hiroshige, Utagawa
Haaxman, Pieter Alardus	Hisgen & Co., O.
Hack, Marinus Johannes	Hobbema, Meindert
Hainhofer, Philipp	Hodges, Charles Howard
Hals, Dirck	Hogenberg, Frans
Hals, Frans	Hogers, Jacob
Hanneman, Adriaen	Hokusai, Katsushika
Hannké,	Hondecoeter, Melchior d'
Hansen, Carel Lodewijk	Hondius I, Hendrick
Hausdorff,	Honthorst, Gerard van
Heda, Willem Claesz.	Hooch, Pieter de
Heem, Jan Davidsz. de	Hoogstraten, Samuel van
Heemskerck, Maarten van	Horrix, Gebr.
Heemskerck, Willem Jacobsz. van	Horrix, Matthijs
Helst, Bartholomeus van der	Houckgeest, Gerrit
Herselle, Josse van	Houdon, Jean-Antoine
Heyden, Jan van der	Hove, Bartholomeus J.W.M. van
Hillegaert, Pauwels van	Huysum, Jan van

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Presentation Player

R I J K S M U S E U M a m s t e r d a m

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Artists: Johannes Vermeer, Pieter de Hooch **Artifact:** The Kitchen Maid **Genre:** Genre piece

Artist **Artefact** **Style** **Genre** **Technique**

The Kitchen Maid

ca. 1658, Johannes Vermeer
Oil on canvas, 45,5 x 41 cm

Genre

E	Ex	J	All
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Technique

E	Ex	J	All
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Style

E	Ex	J	All
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Johannes Vermeer

E	Ex	J	All
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The Sleeping Girl

E	Ex	J	All
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Classicism

Light and perspective

Street

Genre piece

Diagram showing relationships between the painting, its artist, and various art concepts.

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The Kitchen Maid **Genre:** Genre piece

Justification

ca. 1658, Johannes Vermeer
Oil on canvas, 45,5 x 41 cm

Artemisia, ca. 1645, follower of Domenico Fiasella, Canvas

Classicism

Light and perspective

Street

Genre piece

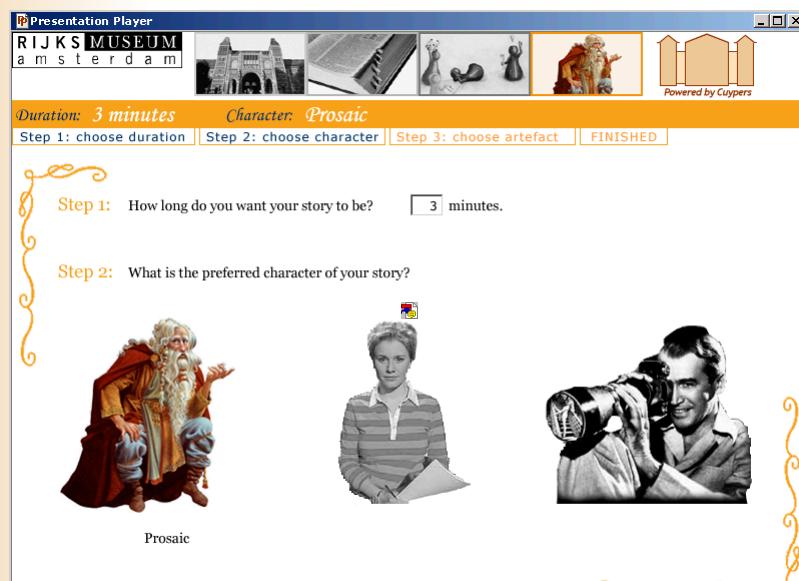
Diagram comparing The Kitchen Maid with The Sleeping Girl by Artemisia Gentileschi.

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Different presentation styles

- Entertainment rather than information
- Low interaction

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Presentation Player

R I J K S M U S E U M
a m s t e r d a m

Duration: 3 minutes Character: Prosaic Artefact: *The Kitchen Maid*

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Step 1: choose duration | Step 2: choose character | Step 3: choose artefact | FINISHED

2. Search by name of artist:

A B C D E F G H I
J K L M N O P Q R
S T U V W X Y Z

Vermeer, Johannes

Artefacts in Rijksmuseum:

"Little Street", ca 1658 The Kitchen Maid, ca 1660 Woman reading a Letter, 1662/1663 The Love Letter, 1669/1670

All other Artefacts in chronological order:

Soldier and a laughing Girl, ca 1658 View of Delft, 1660/1661 The Music Lesson, 1662-1664 Woman holding a Balance, 1669/1670 Young Woman with a Water Pitcher, 1664/1666

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Presentation Player

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a m s t e r d a m

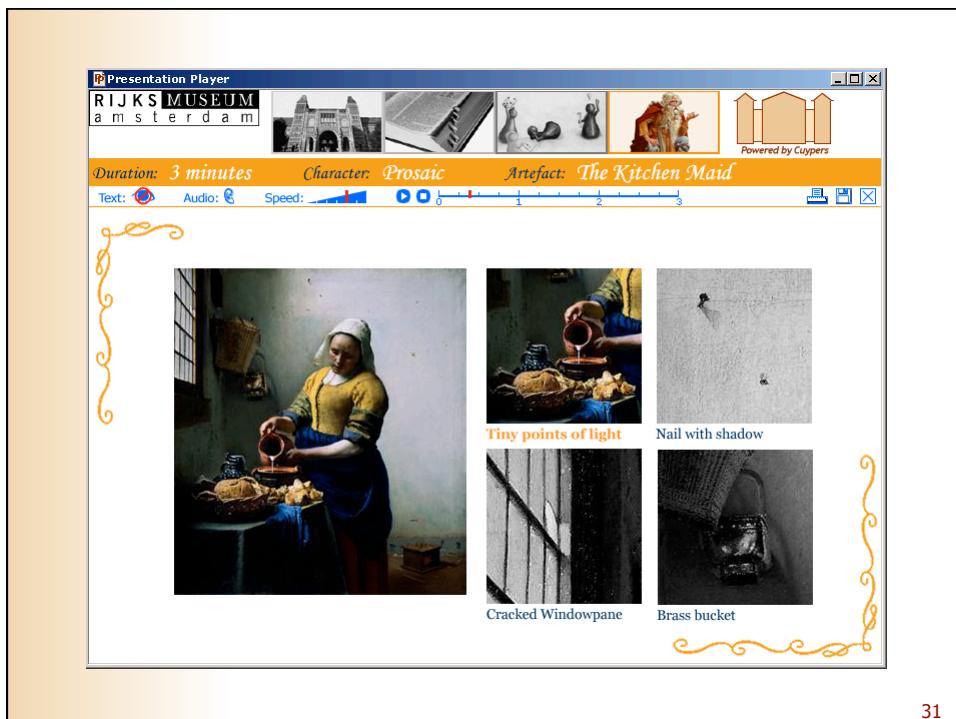
Duration: 3 minutes Character: Prosaic Artefact: *The Kitchen Maid*

Text: Audio: Speed: 1 2 3

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The Kitchen Maid
by Johannes Vermeer
ca 1660
Oil on canvas
45.5 x 41 cm

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MM interaction on the SW

- Creating multimedia presentations requires
 - understanding message of presentation
remember the canonical processes?
 - knowing specifications of use context
 - making design dependencies explicit
 - taking these dependencies into account
- How can the SW help?

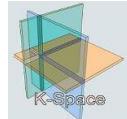
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Semantic Search

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Semantic search survey

- 35 systems
 - Search engine, faceted browser, wiki, question answering, portal
- Analysis of search functionality and interface for
 - Query construction
 - Search algorithm
 - Presentation of search results

http://swuiwiki.webscience.org/index.php/Semantic_Search_Survey
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Semantic_search

Query Construction

Feature	Functionality	Interface components
Free text input	Keyword, natural language	Single text-entry, Property specific field
Operators	Syntactic disambiguation, Semantic constraints	
Controlled terms	Disambiguate input, Restrict output, Predefined queries	Value lists, Faceted browser, Graph
User feedback	Pre-query disambiguation	Autocompletion

Search algorithm

- Syntactic matching
 - Exact, prefix or substring match
 - Minimal edit distance
 - Stemming
- Semantic matching
 - Graph traversal
 - Query expansion
 - RDFS/OWL reasoning

Result Presentation

Feature	Functionality	Interface components
Data selection	Selected values, Template, Display vocabularies	Visualized by text, graph, tagcloud, map, timeline, calendar
Ordering	Content / link structure based ranking	Ordered list
Organization	Clustering by property, by result path or dynamic	Tree, nested box structure, clustermap
User feedback	Post-query disambiguation, Recommendation	Facets, tagcloud, value list

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Principles of Facet Browsing

- Groups objects from different perspective
- Build constraints as you go

With thanks to Alia Amin for the slides explaining facet browsing

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Group objects from different perspectives

Example: A set of paintings with these properties. How to group them?



- Art Style: Art Nouveau
- Location: Paris
- Artist: Gustav Klimt



- Art Style: Art Nouveau
- Location : Paris
- Artist: Monet



- Art Style: Expressionist
- Location : Vienna
- Artist: Monet



- Art Style: Impressionist
- Location : Paris
- Artist: Picasso

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Groups of objects from different perspectives (location)

Group objects based on
location:

- Group 1: Paris
- Group 2: Vienna



Paris



Vienna

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Group objects from different perspectives

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- Location: Vienna
- Artist: Monet



- Art Style: Impressionist
- Location: Paris
- Artist: Picasso

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Groups of objects from different perspectives (art style)

Group objects based on art style:

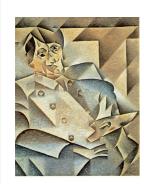
- Group 1: Art nouveau
- Group 2: Expressionist
- Group 3: Impressionist



Art nouveau



Expressionist



Impressionist

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Group objects from different perspectives

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- Artist: Monet



- Art Style: Expressionist
- Location: Vienna
- Artist: Monet



- Art Style: Impressionist
- Location: Paris
- Artist: Picasso

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Groups of objects from different perspectives (artist)

Group objects based on artist:

- Group 1: Gustav Klimt
- Group 2: Picasso
- Group 3: Monet



Gustav Klimt



Picasso



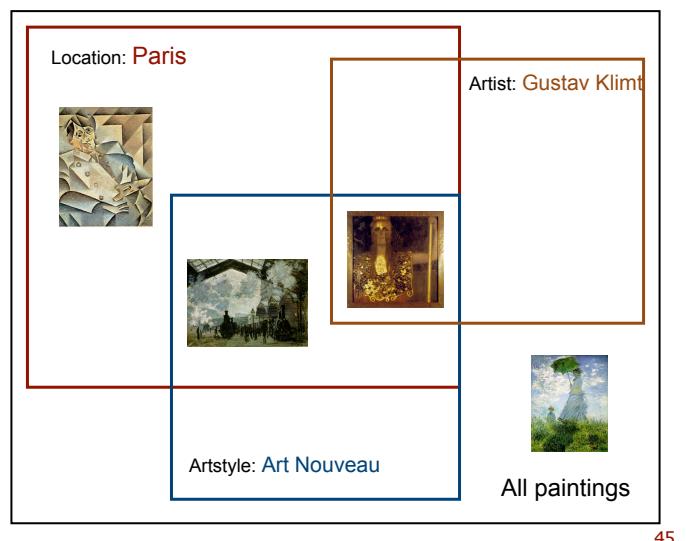
Monet

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Build constraints as you go

All paintings which are

- Location: Paris
- Artstyle: Art Nouveau
- Artist: Gustav Klimt



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Examples

- Commercial: Ebay Express
 - Noncommercial: /facet, Flamenco
-
- Main advantage: support exploratory search
 - Facet browser tutorial at CHI06 and CHI07

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eCulture /facet

Pronounced and googled Slashfacet
demo:

<http://e-culture.multimedian.nl/demo/facet>

talk:

http://e-culture.multimedian.nl/poster/slashfacet_iswc06/

and video (28 minutes):

http://videolectures.net/iswc06_hildebrand_bhswr/

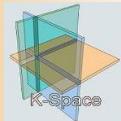
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- CHIP demo
 - exploring both artefacts and properties
 - artefacts are artworks, but could be, e.g., books or movies
- Parallax video

Creating Meaningful Presentations

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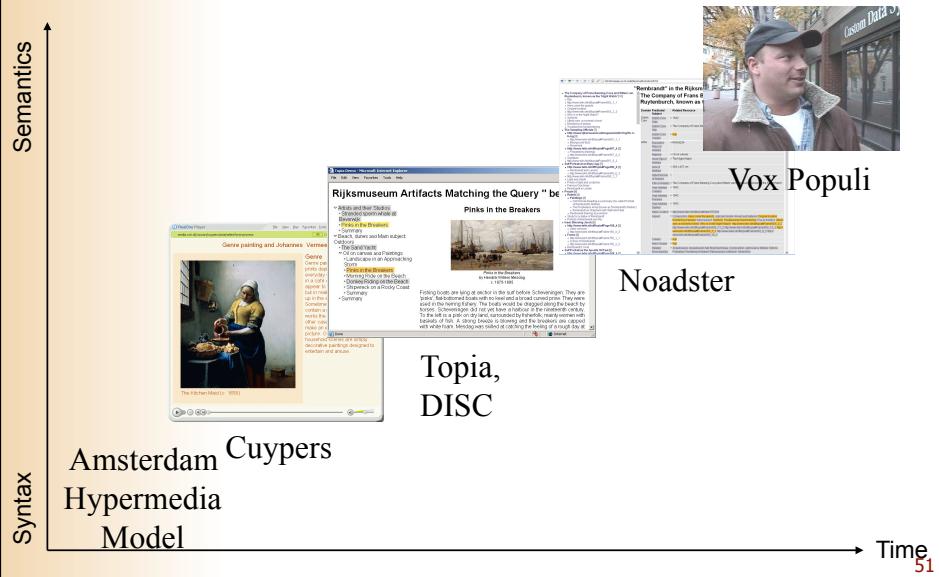
Interactive Information Access
CWI, Amsterdam
<http://www.cwi.nl/~media>



Introduction

- Overview of our research activities:
 - Creating meaningful presentations from query results
 - Part of the K-Space, Passepartout and Multimedia-N
- Main theme of our work:
 - The role that **explicit discourse** information plays in the *personalized generation process*
 - The difference between:
 - a *list* of retrieval results ordered *most relevant first* and
 - a *presentation* that has *structure* interpretable by the end user, giving the collection *sense of belonging to same presentation*

From syntax to semantics



Existing approaches in presenting query results

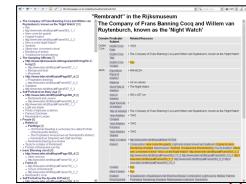
- No explicit discourse (only domain semantics):
 - Noadster - clusters from domain semantics
 - Topia - preselecting concepts in domain semantics
 - Museo Suomi, /facet (facet browsers) – selection based on domain semantics
- Deriving some aspects of discourse:
 - Giving meaning to clustering process
 - Assigning different weights to clusters => ordering
 - Influence the way people perceive information

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Semantic Web browsing

- Noadster
- Generalised semantic web browsing
- Integrating global and local browsing

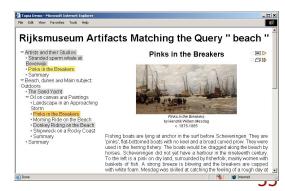
- Lloyd Rutledge,
WWW 2005



This screenshot shows a more refined version of the RDF triples viewer. It features a main pane for viewing triples and a sidebar for navigating through different resources. The sidebar includes links to 'The Company of Frans Banning Cocq and Willem van Ruytenburch, known as the 'Night Watch'', 'Self Portrait at an Early Age', 'People', 'Reliefs', 'Paintings', and 'Frame'. The main pane displays triples for the 'Night Watch' painting, including details like its title, artist, date, and style. The triples are presented in a clean, organized table format with columns for 'Domain', 'Predicate/Subject', and 'Related Resource'.

Inferring document structure

- Topia
- Rijksmuseum ARIA database -> RDF
- Clustering on results of query
- Presentation showing “table of contents” and current focus
- Lloyd Rutledge
ACM Hypertext 2003



Inferring document structure

A screenshot of a Microsoft Internet Explorer window titled "Topia Demo - Microsoft Internet Explorer" showing the same search results for the query "beach". The left sidebar shows a navigation tree with categories like "Artists and their Studios" and "Beach, dunes and Main subject: Outdoors". The "Pinks in the Breakers" entry under "Beach, dunes and Main subject: Outdoors" is highlighted. The main content area displays the painting and its details. Below the painting, a descriptive text about pinks and their use in the herring fishery is shown.

Explicit Discourse

– Fixed discourse:

- DISC – uses annotated multimedia repository + domain ontology and discourse knowledge
- discourse knowledge = set of rules (genre, narrative units...)



– Dynamic discourse:

- VoxPopuli:
argument generation in video



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Fixed Discourse

- DISC
- Rijksmuseum repository of media items
- Semantic graph is not enough

Rembrandt married-to Saskia
also need discourse structures
for deriving grouping, ordering and priorities

- Biography template created
painter is-a profession

- Stefano Bocconi, Joost Geurts
ISWC 2003



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Rembrandt Harmensz. van Rijn

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Self Portrait (1628)

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Dynamic Discourse

- Vox Populi: Argument generation in video

Question	Interviewee	Opinion	Position
Why did they do what they did? What do you think of the casualties among civilians? What do you think of the Afghanistán war? What are the consequences of the war? What are the roots of the problem? What do you think about the Anthrax?	Cameroun Parking Guard at Stamford Lawyer in Harvard	War in Afghanistan - Pro	
First Character	Second Character		
Age: Middleage, Old, Teenager, Young Education: HighEducated, LowEducated, MediumEducated Employment: HighIncomeJob, LowIncomeJob, MiddleIncomeJob, Retired, Student GeoLocation: NotUSA, USA Race: AmericanIndian, Asian, Black, Hispanic, White Religion: Atheist, Christian, Muslim Sex: Female, Male	Age: Middleage, Old, Teenager, Young Education: HighEducated, LowEducated, MediumEducated Employment: HighIncomeJob, LowIncomeJob, MiddleIncomeJob, Retired, Student GeoLocation: NotUSA, USA Race: AmericanIndian, Asian, Black, Hispanic, White Religion: Atheist, Christian, Muslim Sex: Female, Male		
Strategy <input type="radio"/> None <input checked="" type="radio"/> Create Clash <input type="radio"/> Create Support <input type="radio"/> Vox Populi	Bandwidth <input type="radio"/> Low Bandwidth <input checked="" type="radio"/> Medium Bandwidth <input type="radio"/> High Bandwidth	Intercut <input type="radio"/> True <input checked="" type="radio"/> On (can cause problems) <input type="radio"/> False <input type="radio"/> Off	Caption
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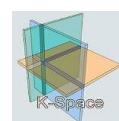
Conclusions

- From projects described we have learned:
 - distinguish stages in process
 - separate discourse knowledge
 - Fixed and Dynamic discourse
 - mappings between domain & discourse knowledge
- Scientific challenges remain:
 - Making (MM) discourse and design knowledge explicit
 - Expressing re-usable semantics of media assets
 - Architectures for multimedia presentation generation

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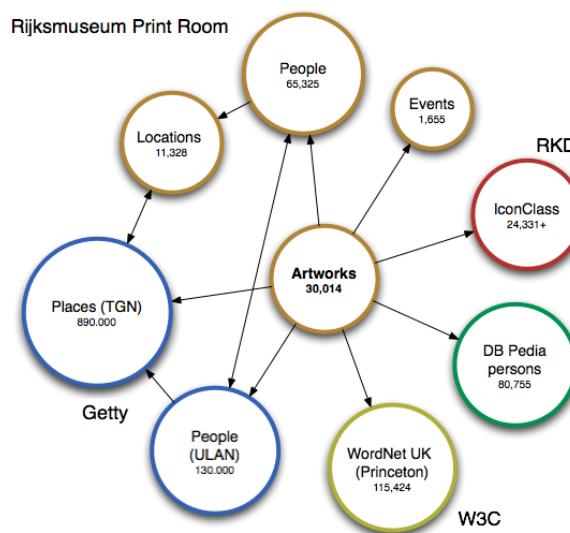


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Bringing The IPTC News Architecture into the Semantic Web

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Cultural Heritage Data Cloud

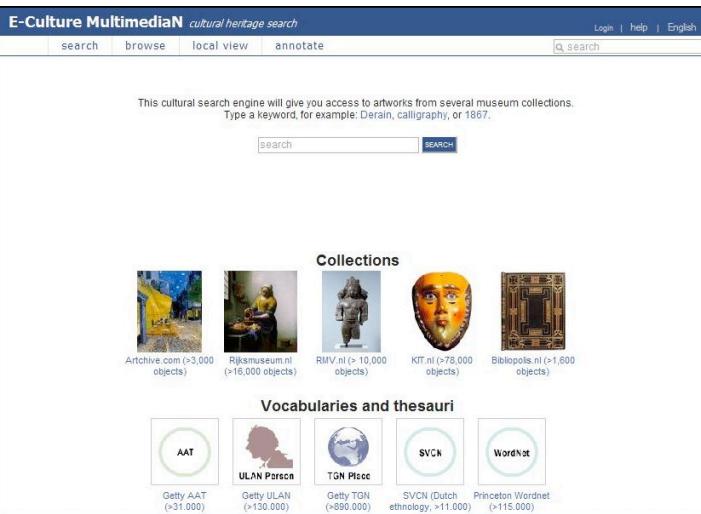


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Professional Art Annotation with Thesauri from the Web



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Prototype comparison search – bar chart

LISA eculture.multimedian.nl

SEARCH

Search for object, person or anything.
Select property and specify value. Add more filter by clicking the [+] icon.

Search for : object person all

Filter by : collection ▾ Rijksmuseum Volkenkun... [+]
subject ▾ Mask [+]

SEARCH

SEARCH RESULT

15 objects found in 2 categories from 1 collections. [select all](#)
Drag an entry or a category to the selection areas (either Set A or Set B).

SET A

4 objects

-  Brandmeiders...
2644-12
-  masker voor leeuw...
3909-2A
-  Masker met balspel...
4668-1

SET B

6 objects

-  Brandmeiders...
2644-12
-  masker voor leeuw...
3909-2A
-  Masker met balspel...
4668-1

OPTION

LIST | BAR | GRAPH | MAP

COMPARE

PROPERTY | VALUE

Property: location

SET A | SET B | PAIR

culture date creation material location subject

Europe

- The Netherlands
 - Amsterdam
 - Utrecht
 - Maastricht
 - Den Haag
- France
 - Paris
 - Strassburg
- Germany
 - Berlin
 - Bonn
- Frankfurt

http://e-culture.multimedian.nl/lisa/session/compsearch/tutorial

Prototype comparison search - map

LISA eculture.multimedian.nl

SEARCH

Search for object, person or anything.
Select property and specify value. Add more filter by clicking the [+] icon.

Search for : object person all

Filter by : collection ▾ Rijksmuseum Volkenkun... [+]
subject ▾ Mask [+]

SEARCH

SEARCH RESULT

15 objects found in 2 categories from 1 collections. [select all](#)
Drag an entry or a category to the selection areas (either Set A or Set B).

SET A

4 objects

-  Brandmeiders...
2644-12
-  masker voor leeuw...
3909-2A
-  Masker met balspel...
4668-1

SET B

6 objects

-  Brandmeiders...
2644-12
-  masker voor leeuw...
3909-2A
-  Masker met balspel...
4668-1

OPTION

LIST | BAR | GRAPH | MAP

COMPARE

PROPERTY | VALUE

SET A | SET B | PAIR



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What are the messages?

- Features can be extracted and used to describe multimedia content (metadata)
- Multimedia presentations embody messages
- Media, structure and aesthetics all contribute to conveying the message
- The message can be made explicit (more metadata)
- Media content and metadata can be passed around and among systems
- We need to agree on how to do this (e.g. canonical processes; COMM; W3C working groups; IPTC)
- Users can be given much richer and more flexible access to (semantically annotated) content, but...
- we are still figuring out how to do this.

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Links to demos

[http://www.cwi.nl/~lynda/courses/swui-demos09/
index.html](http://www.cwi.nl/~lynda/courses/swui-demos09/index.html)