

# Avalon Media System



Indiana University, in partnership with Northwestern University, has been awarded a grant from the [Andrew W. Mellon Foundation](#) to support work on [Avalon](#) development and community building through January, 2017 - with a no-cost extension to July, 2018. In 2011, Indiana University and Northwestern University began to develop Avalon, a freely available open source software system that enables academic libraries and archives to easily provide online access to their video and audio collections. This was made possible in part by a National Leadership Grant from the [Institute of Museum and Library Services](#).



## Learn About the Avalon Project

**Avalon 7.2 is now available! Learn [what's new](#) and [try it out!](#)**

The best place to start learning is the [Avalon Media System project website](#).

To join one of the project mailing lists or to connect with the project in other ways

- Visit the Avalon [Connect page](#)

Project background documents are linked below.

- [Mellon Grant Proposal Narrative](#)
- [IMLS Grant Proposal One-Page Abstract](#)
- [IMLS Grant Proposal Narrative](#)
- [IU press release, March 10, 2015: IU Libraries and partners receive \\$931,000 from Mellon Foundation grants](#)
- [IU press release, November 30, 2011: IU receives grant to create software system for video and audio collections](#)
- [Original IMLS Planning Grant Site](#)

For more information, please contact the Project Directors:

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## Technical Documentation

For **partners** and others wanting to try out the system or install it.

- [Try out Avalon on a test server](#)
- [Download a virtual machine image of Avalon, or install it manually](#)
- [Quick links to Avalon technical documentation](#)
- [Supported Browsers and Platforms](#)
- [Avalon Release Roadmap](#)

For **developers**

- [Set up a development environment](#)
- [Visit Avalon on Github](#)
- [Visit Avalon's board on Waffle.io](#)

For **collection managers**

- [Avalon Collections Guide](#)
- [Batch Ingest](#)

## Development Partners/Funders

