

PCC Sinopia Cataloging Affinity Group

AS OF 17 AUGUST 2023, WE HAVE MOVED OUR WIKISPACE TO THE [PCC WIKI: PCC Sinopia Cataloging Affinity Group](#)

Purpose

The PCC Sinopia Cataloging Affinity Group provides a welcoming, collaborative, and supportive space to learn and discuss cataloging in Sinopia using PCC Sinopia Templates, PCC cataloging standards, and PCC authoritative vocabularies. The group aims to:

- Expand the use of Sinopia in the PCC community, contributing to the development of a body of original cataloging in a linked data context
- Influence the future development of Sinopia by coordinating feedback from PCC users to the Sinopia development team, and by serving as a community of users for usability interviews and testing
- Provide input on the creation and evolution of PCC Sinopia Templates: see the best practices [question submission form](#) and the best practices [tacking sheet](#)
- Identify training needs of new PCC Sinopia Users
- Explore how to cooperate effectively in a linked data cataloging environment

Calls

Calls feature presentations on specific topics in Sinopia. For recordings, see the Past calls section below. For notes, consult the [Running notes document](#).

- **POSTPONED until Thurs. 24 August 2023 1PM-2PM Eastern** ~~Thurs. 27 April 2023, 1PM-2PM Eastern~~ ([Time zone converter](#)). [Registration link](#). **Usability in Sinopia with Astrid Usong** (Stanford). This will be an open discussion, no presentation. Ahead of the call, please put your ideas, comments, and questions about usability in Sinopia at the top of our [Running notes document](#).

Past calls

- Thurs. 25 May 2023. LRM-based templates in Sinopia at the University of Washington with Zhuo Pan and Benjamin Riesenbergs. [RECORDING SLIDES](#)
- Thur. 23 Mar. 2023 Sinopia and the PCC test of the Official RDA Toolkit, with Adam Baron (Univ. of California, Berkeley ; PCC Standing Committee on Training) and Timothy Ryan Mendenhall (Columbia University ; PCC Sinopia Cataloging Affinity Group). [RECORDING SLIDES](#) (Baron) [SLIDES](#) (Mendenhall)
- 26 January 2023. Share-VDE and Sinopia with Tiziana Possemato and Anna Lionetti (Casalini Libri) and Paloma Graciani Picardo (University of Texas at Austin) and Iman Dagher (UCLA) from the Share-VDE (SVDE) PCC Data Pool Evaluation Task Group [RECORDING SLIDES](#) (Casalini) [SLIDES](#) (Dagher, Graciani Picardo, PCC)
- 17 November 2022. Sinopia-ALMA connection with Jim Hahn (University of Pennsylvania) [RECORDING SLIDES](#)
- 27 October 2022: Discussion on maintaining our document of questions relating to best practices in Sinopia. [RECORDING](#)
- 22 September 2022: Questioning Authority (Sinopia's lookup service) with Steven Folsom. [RECORDING SLIDES](#)
- 14 July 2022: Demonstration at the 2022 LD4 Conference on Linked Data. [RECORDING SLIDES](#)
- 16 June 2022 LD4 Rare Materials Affinity Group and Sinopia. [RECORDING SLIDES](#)
- 5 May 2022: Tutorial and working hour during PCC Operations Committee (OpCo). [RECORDING](#)
- 28 April 2022. Conversion of data to/from Sinopia with Justin Littman and Jeremy Nelson. [RECORDING](#)
- 24 March 2022. Templates and the PCC Metadata Application Profile Working Group, with T.J. Kao and Nancy Lorimer [RECORDING SLIDES](#)
- 24 February 2022. Linked Data discovery: developing a linked data front-end with Huda Khan (Cornell) and Astrid Usong (Stanford). [RECORDING](#)
- 27 January 2022. Sinopia usability with Astrid Usong. [RECORDING](#)
- 16 December 2021. Non-Latin scripts in Sinopia with Larisa Walsh (University of Chicago) and Patricia Thurston (Yale University) [RECORDING SLIDES](#)
- 18 November 2021. Sinopia, LD4, and the PCC. Michelle Futornick (Sinopia Product Owner, Stanford University) and Melanie Wacker (PCC Chair, Columbia University). [Recording. Slides](#) (Futornick)
- 28 October 2021: Nancy Lorimer (Stanford) on the **Intersection of Sinopia, BIBFRAME, and RDA/LRM**: points of convergence and divergence. [Recording. Slides](#)
- 23 September 2021. Beth Picknally Camden: **Overview of the PCC Sinopia training modules**, and how new Sinopia users can use them to get started with Sinopia. [Recording](#)
- Thurs. 26 August 2021 **Walkthrough of the PCC Serials templates in Sinopia**. [Recording](#)
- 19 July 2021: **LD4 2021 Conference Session Sinopia in the PCC Context: Intro and Study Group** : introduction to PCC profiles in Sinopia and a walkthrough of the PCC Monographs template in Sinopia. [Recording](#)

Working Hours

A dedicated space to work on creating descriptions in Sinopia and learn from colleagues while you do it.

- **Friday 28 July** [RECORDING SLIDES](#) We'll have a short discussion covering the results of a survey we recently sent out regarding our programming and the working hours, talk about ways that our community can communicate better, and then move into an open editing session. No experience is needed--we are happy to help newbies to Sinopia and BIBFRAME get started. Please also come with ideas for Sinopia edit-a-thon themes!

NOTE: Due to diminishing attendance, monthly PCC Sinopia Working Hours have been canceled for 2023. We will schedule further working hours ad-hoc based on interest from the community.

General Information

Co-Facilitators: Timothy Ryan Mendenhall (trm2151@columbia.edu), Margarita Perez Martinez (mperezm@law.miami.edu)

Teacher/Trainer: Greta de Groat (gdegroat@stanford.edu)

- **Best practices in Sinopia**
 - [Submission form](#) for questions and clarifications on Sinopia best practices
 - [Tracking sheet](#) for questions on Sinopia best practices
- Dedicated, open [Google group](#) for announcements and discussion
- [Running notes document](#) for collaborative note-taking during meetings
- Shared [Google Drive folder](#) (contains slides, meeting notes, and other relevant resources)
- Meetings are recorded and links to the recordings can be found in the [meeting notes](#) and in the [Google Drive folder](#)

Resources

- [Running notes document](#) for the group's calls
- [PCC Sinopia Mentorship page](#)
- Demonstration videos
 - [Basic print monograph: work and instance](#) (Feb. 2022, Sinopia 3.16.9)
 - [Basic monograph: work, print instance, digital instance](#) (Feb. 2022, Sinopia 3.16.9)
- [Sinopia help page](#): Report bugs and other issues with the Sinopia application here
- [PCC's Sinopia Training Modules](#)
- [Sinopia Linked Data Editor](#) – request a free account here. Sinopia is browser-based and requires no installation. NOTE: for the Affinity Group, we are using the Stage (test) instance of Sinopia, not the production instance.
- [LD4 Slack](#) (separate from this PCC group, but a valuable resource on Sinopia). Useful channels within this Slack group include:
 - [LD4 Sinopia Slack channel](#)
 - [LD4 Profile Slack channel](#)
- Library of Congress [BIBFRAME resource page](#)