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# Digital Holland

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An online archive of collaborative public scholarship about the city of Holland, MI.

### Digital Holland by the Numbers

**11,078**

Views since 2015

**198**

Twitter followers

**49**

encyclopedia articles

Started by

**1** student

**5** in-

depth, interactive exhibits

**34**

student and community contributors

**21** Average daily views

### Why Digital Holland?

#### Digital Humanities

Digital Holland makes historical, scholarly research accessible online and more engaging through media.

#### Local History

The project operates under a framework that commemorates local history in an effort to promote education as an end in itself, not simply a means by which to achieve a specific goal.

#### Public Scholarship

Digital Holland also emphasizes a collaborative research enterprise between college students and members of the community in which they are immersed, which increases access to information.

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### Exhibits

In-depth projects featuring research on Holland's past put into the context of broader historical themes. Each exhibit includes some type of multi-media.



### Encyclopedia

Articles about people, places, and events in Holland created by students and community members.

**Adelaide Dykhuizen**  
By Caroline Haley

Born in 1905, Adelaide Dykhuizen and her twin sister Geraldine Dykhuizen went to Hope College in the early 1920s, forty years after the first women enrolled at the school. The twins were the nieces of Edward Daniel Dimmitt, Hope College's fifth president. Following graduation, Adelaide Dykhuizen taught at Hope Preparatory School and then E. E. Fell Junior High School. Her career spanned forty-two years. In addition to teaching, she was also an active community member and participated in organizations such as the Women's Literary Club, the Holland Garden Club, and the Holland teachers' organization.

**Youth**  
When appointed to Hope College's presidency in 1919, Edward Daniel Dimmitt, a bachelor, required an appropriate social presence by his side. He decided to move into the president's house with his widowed sister, Nellie Dykhuizen and her three children, the twin girls and their younger brother Harold. Adelaide Dykhuizen was 14 years old at the time. From 1919 to 1922, Dykhuizen and her family split their time between the president's house, 92 E. 10th St. in Holland, and the Dykhuizen's family home in Chicago. These years also marked the continuing transition into the new century and

**Adelaide Dykhuizen**  
Educator  
Born 1905  
Died December 15, 1973  
Education Hope College (1926)

**Content**  
Youth  
The New Woman  
Hope Years  
Becoming an Educator

### Conclusions

A student-created public scholarship effort like Digital Holland can be successful. With access to resources and information at the university level, students at any institution of higher education have the ability to pursue similar projects.

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