

A Memory Library for Elders

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The Memory Project

The Memory Project develops digital applications to strengthen and preserve human memories

- The Memory Library a multi-media system for collecting, organizing and recalling elders' individual and family memories
- The Memory Companion a television based product for users aged 65+ to keep track of essential personal information
- The Memory House a showcase of emerging technologies for human memory enhancement

The Memory Library provides an easyto-use system for acquisition and management of elders' memories

- Collection
- Organizing
- Storage
- Recall
- Sharing

"Indicia" provide the links to memory fragments that allow users to draw out their recollections

Childhood	Education	Work / professional life
Hobbies	Friends and family	Accomplishments
Awards	Recipes / foods	Theater, dance & performance
Games	Music / art / films	Media / TV
Sport teams & events	Business / entrepreneurship	Health and medical
Personal organization	Children	Politics / activism
Gardening and farming	Crisis and loss	House / home
Housekeeping	Personal training, fitness and sports	Travel plans and souvenirs
Investments / financial	Philosophy	Social / cultural events
Spiritual / religious practices and events	Emotions / feelings	Possessions
Artwork / creative expression	Recreation	Governmental affairs
Romance / sexuality	Abstract thoughts	Mathematics and science

The Memory Library allows users to mix and search all kinds of digital media

Text

Sounds / audio

Photos

■ Video

Web links

Combinations

The Memory Library uses common Web applications for collection and recall

Medium	Collection Software	Recall Software
photos & graphics	Flickr.com	labs.systemone.at/retrievr
sounds / audio	Ourmedia.org	Podscope.com
video	Ourmedia.org	Virage.com
text	Seedwiki.com	any text search engine
Web	del.icio.us	del.icio.us

Action plan for Memory Library development

- Develop detailed technical specification
- Define open source ecosystem
- Initiate partnership / license agreements
- Develop prototype
- Perform usability / market assessments
- Develop and refine fully-functional beta
- Deploy and assess beta performance

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