Possibilities, Realities and Plans: The Digital Yiddish Theatre Project

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Description: The initial idea for the Digital Yiddish Theatre Project (DYTP) was based entirely on possibility: the use of digital tools, in the hand of a skilled research team, to study, preserve, and teach about Yiddish theatre and drama. In 2013 that team was formed, consisting of academics, independent scholars, librarians and DH specialists. A decade on, the DYTP has digitally published an important reference work, launched an interactive database of plot synopses of Yiddish plays and maintains a blog featuring articles by internal and guest contributors. This presentation will outline challenges of maintaining a long-term collaborative project, highlight the role of librarians in the research team and discuss plans for the near future.

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