

# NDF 2014

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With so many inspiring speakers and messages this year, it was impossible to pick a favourite. Here are a few highlights the Recollect team came away with:

Many challenges were issued and visions put forward. It will be interesting to see how many will be taken up in 2015.

There were many wonderful and quotable sayings. For example;

- “It’s not about failing fast, it’s about learning fast” as **Mike Kmiec** so graciously pointed out.
- “Being nice is cool” - **Anna Dean** encouraged us to be generous and use our profiles to help increase others through social media.
- **Brewster Kahle** enthused on a “library of everything”, His comments to forget about putting walls in our way and just get on with it made many people think. Everything is possible!  
[Brewster Kahle talks to Kathryn Ryan on Radio NZ's Nine to Noon.](#)
- “If there’s a sin in our world, it’s locking up the public domain” **Mia Ridge**’s comment sparked much agreement as she talked on collaborative collections through a participatory commons: from bare data to lived experiences.

It wasn’t all work as **Rick Shera** reminded us of our mortality and asked what we had planned for our online presence and digital assets once we’re gone. This got many thinking, tweeting and talking. What have you done?

We felt **Reid Perkins**, Upper Hutt City Library and **Judith Bright**, John Kinder Theological Library deserve a huge “shout out” for their fascinating presentations. It is always heartening to hear what ‘outside the box’ ideas different places are using to overcome perceived challenges. These are now on YouTube:

[Reid Perkins - Digital Communities](#)

[Judith Bright - Digitising Church Newspapers: Endless opportunities](#)

These are just a small sample of the messages on offer at the conference and we encourage you to find out more [here](#). We particularly enjoyed the panel discussion on [Digital Music archiving in NZ](#) - especially at the 11 minute 23 second mark