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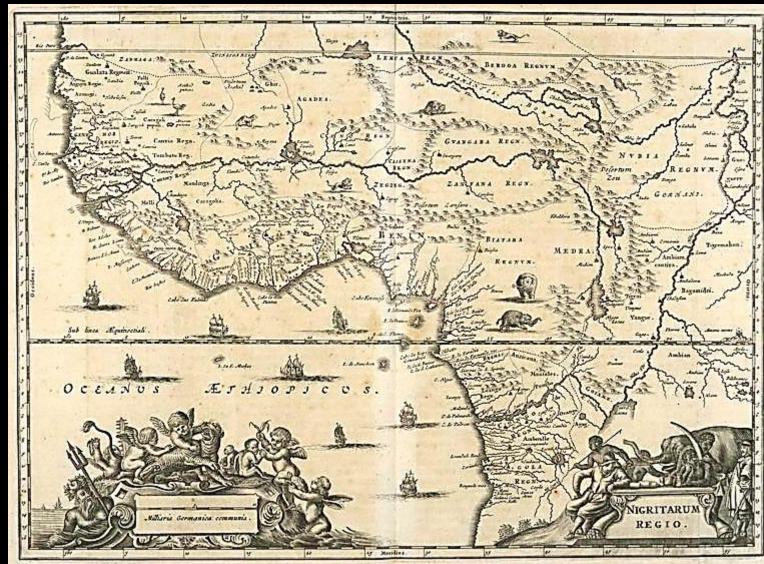




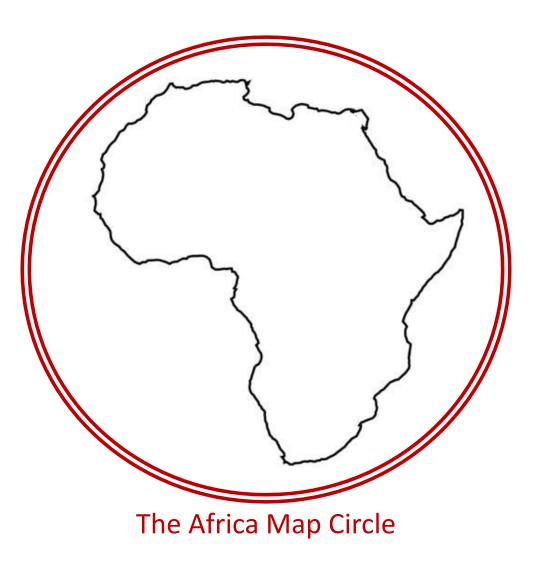
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Tips & Techniques for Online Use & Citation

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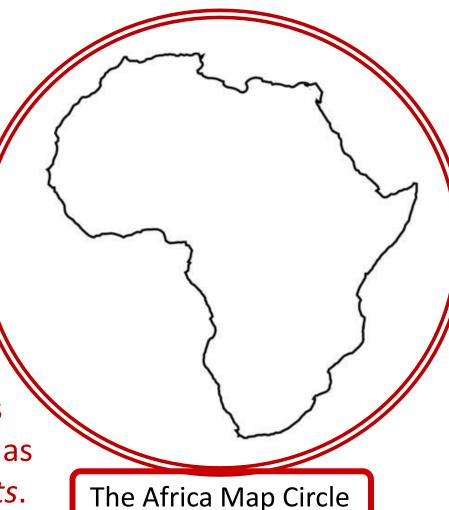






### Why Africa Maps Matter

- The African continent was arguably the first one in the world to be mapped in its full outline.
- Africa maps were largely created by non-Africans.
- …therefore, Africa maps can only be understood as *multi-cultural documents*.

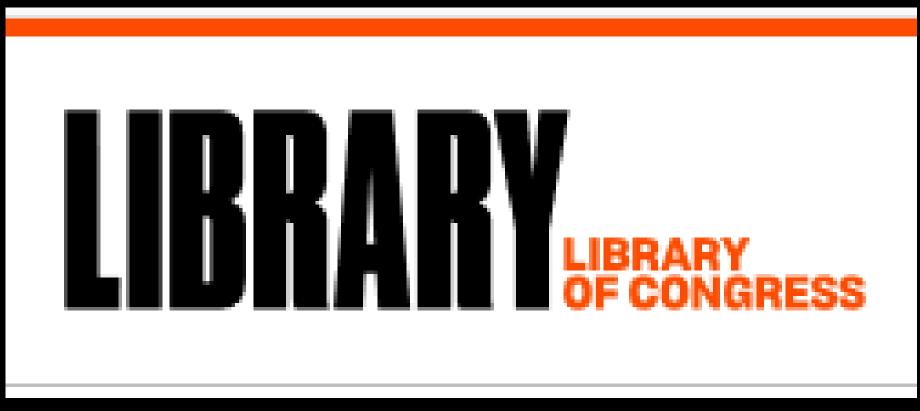


- These maps therefore
  require international
  and multi-cultural
  teams of students and
  scholars to be analyzed
  adequately.
  - Digital technology now makes it possible to share and analyze these maps around the globe.

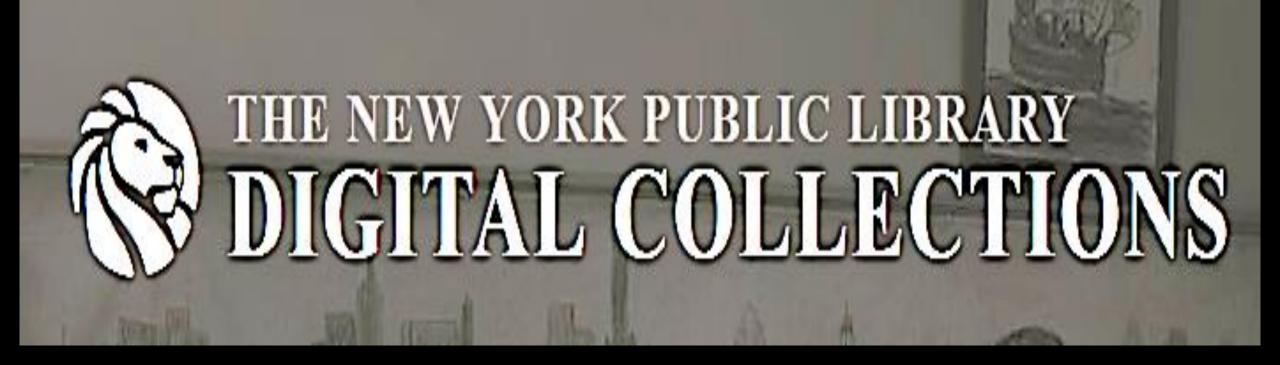
The result is that the collaborative study of Africa maps can now provide a new paradigm for international and multicultural teaching & learning.



So let's take a look briefly at six different online historical map resources on Africa... ....starting with the



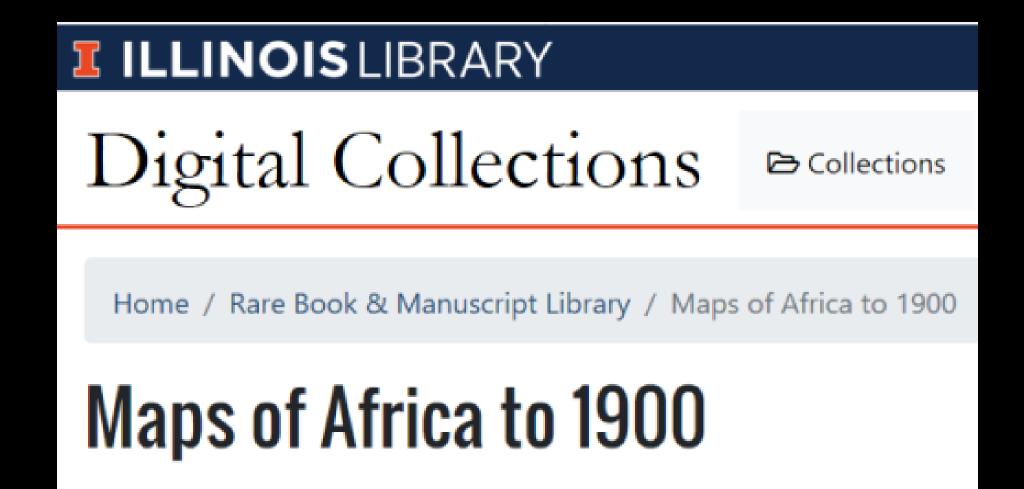
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THE NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRAR DIGITAL COLLECTI	IONS	NYPL- Digital Collections, Africa Maps	https://digitalcollections.nypl.org/sea rch/index?utf8=%E2%9C%93&keywor ds=Africa+maps#
Stanford LIBRARIES		Stanford University - Maps of Africa Online	<u>https://exhibits.stanford.edu/maps-</u> of-africa

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• <b>AFRITERRA</b> The Cartographic Free Library	The Afriterra Foundation	http://www.afriterra.org/

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- For the foreseeable future it will no longer be possible to watch a movie together in classroom, nor can groups take field-trips to museums to view important Africa collections, nor will it be possible to assemble in auditoriums to hear from a visiting guest speaker reporting on current circumstances in Africa.

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 Fortunately, online African map libraries can help in this circumstance..... Both faculty AND students can begin now to use these online libraries to build new online curricula for learning & teaching about Africa....



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