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The Digital Future Is Now In Your Hands

From the boardroom to the classroom to your living room, multimedia is now a part of everyday life. The synthesis of video, audio and text on personal computers in homes and on networks is profoundly changing how people share, exchange and value information. And organizations that already own storehouses of information -- movies, music, manuscripts and more -- are tapping into vast new markets where digitized information can be available for an unlimited number of applications.

So What's Holding You Back?
Several obstacles seem to prevent content owners from becoming content providers. Digitizing existing materials like printed texts, audio recordings and reels of video or film is just the starting point. Once in digital form these materials need to be managed and maintained. Then deciding who gets access -- a few users over a local network or everybody in the world via the internet -- is a major issue. What about protecting your copyrights and intellectual property rights? And how do you provide fair compensation to intellectual property owners and providers for materials that are copied or downloaded?

Your Information. Your Assets. IBM Digital Library In Your Hands.
Pushing those obstacles out of the way just got a whole lot easier with IBM Digital Library. It's not a single product per se; you don't buy IBM Digital Library in a shrink-wrapped box. IBM Digital Library is a union of software and hardware backed by IBM intelligence and know-how. By harnessing diverse technologies and making them work as one, IBM Digital Library gives you the capability to capture assorted media in digital form, distribute multimedia content across public and private networks, search and access reams of information, manage multimedia databases of any scale, and protect your intellectual property rights. IBM Digital Library is the Information Age tool for extracting value from your information assets in new ways.
Digital Library Adapts To Your Needs

Every digital library presents unique challenges. That's why IBM Digital Library is not only comprehensive but scalable and flexible. To see digital libraries that exist today, go directly to the Case Histories. Quick and thorough overviews of IBM Digital Library solutions for organizations in government, higher education, media and cultural institutions are included. For fast access use the button below the Wheel.

On the other hand, get the essentials on building your own digital library by taking five steps through the main components of IBM Digital Library. The Wheel is your guide. Jump in anywhere, and explore the key functions: Create & Capture, Search & Access, Distribution, Rights Management, and Storage & Management.

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