

SLIS Events News

Places & Spaces



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Places & Spaces: Mapping Science, which opened as an exhibit at The New York Public Library in April, will close on August 31, 2006.

The exhibit has been held in the **Science, Industry and Business Library**, Healy Hall of The New York Public Library (NYPL) -- 188 Madison Avenue at 34th Street, New York, NY.

SLIS faculty member, **Katy Börner**, and Deborah MacPherson of Accuracy&Aesthetics, co-curated the exhibit. John Ganly, Assistant Director for Collections, NYPL is the exhibition advisor. SLIS students and staff from Börner's **InfoVis Lab** have been actively involved.

A quote from the **brochure** highlights a need that the exhibit is trying to address:

"Today, mankind's scholarly knowledge is stored in an exponentially increasing number of papers, books, emails, and other formats. Neither man nor machine can process this enormous amount of data. Hence, most knowledge gets reinvented, is duplicated across sciences, or is simply lost forever after a short period of time. To survive as a species, we need to utilize our collective knowledge to preserve our planet. Our aim beyond survival should be to enable every human being to live a healthy, productive, and fulfilling life."

The **Places & Spaces website** includes photos, maps, a podcast link, a reading list and more.

The physical exhibit is **scheduled to travel** to more locations including:

- New York Hall of Science (December 9, 2006 - February 25, 2007), and
- ACS (American Chemical Society) National Meeting & Exposition, Chicago, IL (March 25-29, 2007).

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