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Throughout Ms. Thorin's distinguished career as a senior administrator in libraries at major universities and the Library of Congress, she has specialized in transforming organizations. She is deeply engaged in the use of digital technology to redefine libraries in their communities. Ms. Thorin's portfolio at the Library of Congress included human resources, finance, information technology, and Congressional relations. Ms. Thorin also has expertise as a researcher, writer, lecturer, and consultant for library transformation.

EDUCATION

- Bachelor's Degree in Music, North Park College (now University), Chicago
- Master's Degree in Music, University of Michigan
- Master's Degree in Library Science, University of Michigan
- Management and Leadership in Education (Harvard Institutes for Higher Education), Harvard University

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

- Dean of Libraries and University Librarian, Syracuse University Library, Syracuse University
- Ruth Lilly University Dean of University Libraries and Associate Vice President for Digital Library Development, Indiana University
- Chief of Staff, Library of Congress
- Adjunct Professor, School of Information Studies, Syracuse University

SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS

- Librarian, archivist, educator
- Administrative expertise
- Transformational leadership
- Digital library applications
- Consulting experience

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Grants and Awards

- Archivist for the William Safire collection, The Dana Foundation, \$86,000, 2011
 - Reestablishing the Belfer Audio Laboratory and Archive Through a New Model of Academic/Library Collaboration, The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, \$505,000, Syracuse University, 2010
 - Grove Press and a New American Morality, Council on Library and Information Resources, \$143,100, Syracuse University, 2010
 - Marcel Breuer, Architect: Life and Work, 1922-1955, National Endowment for the Humanities, \$350,000, Syracuse University, 2009
 - Cataloging Historical 78-rpm Sound Recording in the Belfer Audio Archive, The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, \$250,000, Syracuse University, 2008
 - Co-Principal Investigator, Patterns of Culture: Re-aligning Library Culture, The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, \$53,000, Syracuse University, 2007
 - To digitize, preserve, and make accessible the cylinder collection in the Belfer Audio Laboratory and Archive, \$25,000 from the Gladys Kriebel Delmas Foundation, Syracuse University, 2007
 - Synergy Award, Indiana State Library, 2004
 - 2001 Recipient, ALA ALCTS' Blackwell's Scholarship Award for the article "The Changing Nature of Collection Management in Research Libraries", 2001
 - \$1 million endowment for preservation staff and spendable funds for equipment in a new Preservation Laboratory, The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, Indiana University, 2001
 - Obtained \$5.8 million in grants for the Indiana University Libraries between 1997 and 2005
 - Distinguished Service Award, Library of Congress, 1996
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Consulting and Teaching

- Consultant, Institute of Jazz Studies, Dana Library, Rutgers University, 2009
 - Fundraising and Entrepreneurial Strategies for Library and Information Services, doctoral course, Simmons College, Graduate School of Library and Information Science, 2009
 - Introduction to Digital Libraries, Syracuse University, School of Information Studies, 2007-2010
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Capital Projects

- Carnegie Library reading room and entrance to building, Syracuse University and LTL Architects (New York City) 2011
- Smart classroom (equipment supported by grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation), Syracuse University, 2011
- Smart classroom and seminar room (equipment supported by grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation), Syracuse University and LTL Architects, 2009

- Master plan for the Bird, Carnegie and Belfer Libraries, Syracuse University and Shepley, Bulfinch, Richardson, and Abbot, 2005
- Education building for the Wiley House Museum, Indiana University, 2004
- Accessible entry to the Lilly Library, Indiana University, 2004
- Preservation laboratory, Indiana University, 2002
- Offsite storage facility, Indiana University, 2002
- Information Commons, Indiana University, 2001
- Master plan for the Wells Library and the Lilly Library, Indiana University and Shepley, Bulfinch, Richardson, and Abbot, 1998

Publications

- “The Librarians of Congress: Past and Future.” With Robert Wedgeworth
<http://library.syr.edu/information/admin/documents/LibrariansofCongressFINAL.pdf>
- “The Librarians of Congress: Past and Future,” with Robert Wedgeworth. American Library Association. May 2007. (brief version)
<http://www.ala.org/ala/online/resources/selectedarticles/librariansofcongress.cfm>
- “Integration of Content and Library Services in Sakai,” *D-Lib Magazine*, 11:2 (February 2005)
- “Global Changes in Scholarly Communication,” in *eLearning and Digital Publishing*, New York: Springer-Verlag, 2006
- “The Digital Library: A Biography,” with Daniel Greenstein. Council on Library and Information Resources/Digital Library Federation. September 2002
<http://www.clir.org/pubs/reports/pub109/pub109.pdf>.
- Contributed paper, “Global Changes in Scholarly Communication,” for the conference, “Scholarly Tribes and Tribulations: How Tradition and Technology Are Driving Disciplinary Change,” Association of Research Libraries, Washington D.C., October 17, 2003. See
<http://www.arl.org/scomm/disciplines/Thorin.pdf>
- “The Changing Nature of Collection Management in Research Libraries,” *Library Resources & Technical Services*, 44 no 1 (January 2000): 23–30 with Joseph Branin and Frances Groen (earlier version posted on the web at <http://www.arl.org/collect/changing.html>)
- “The Library of the Future,” in *The Learning Revolution: the Challenge of Information Technology in the Academy*, with Virginia Sorkin. Bolton, Massachusetts: Anker Publishing Company, 1997

Professional Contributions

- Association of Research Libraries (ARL)
 - Nominating Committee, 2009
 - Public Policies Steering Committee, 2008-
 - Statistics and Measurements, 2010-

- Board of Directors, 2005-2007
- Task Force on Governance, 2004-2005
- Research Collections Committee, 1998-2000
- Scholarly Communications Committee, 2000-2005
- Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC)
 - Chair, Search and Screen Committee for Director of the Center for Library Initiatives, 2002-2003
 - Chair, university librarian meetings, Center for Library Initiatives, 2002-2003
 - Chair, Digital Library Initiatives Overview Committee, Center for Library Initiatives, 2000-2002
- Digital Library Federation
 - Chair, Nominating Committee, Executive Committee, 2005
- Educause
 - Program Committee, EDUCAUSE 2010
- Indiana University
 - Co-chair, President's Committee on Scholarly Communication, 1998-99
 - Black Film Center, Advisory Council, 1998-2000
 - Indiana University Press, Advisory Board, 1996-2005
 - Kinsey Institute, Advisory Board, 2000-2006
 - Teaching and Learning Systems Steering Committee, 2002-2004
- Institute for Museum and Library Services
 - Panelist, Review of Proposals, 2005
- Preservation of Digital Materials
 - Advisory Board, Portico, 2004-
 - Member, Alliance Board of Advisors, LOCKSS (Lots of Copies Keep Stuff Safe), 2003-2004
- Syracuse University
 - Board of Visitors, School of Information Studies, 2006-
 - Chair, Scholarship Committee, Remembrance Scholarships (Pan Am 103)
- Other
 - Board of Directors, Onondaga Historical Association, 2007-
 - Board of Directors, Friends of the Central Library, Onondaga County Public Library, 2007-
 - Conference Organizer, "Scholarly Tribes and Tribulations: How Tradition and Technology Are Driving Disciplinary Change," Association of Research Libraries, Washington D.C., See: <http://www.arl.org/scomm/disciplines.html>, 2003
 - Member, Academic Libraries of Indiana Board, 2003-2005
 - Reviewer and panelist, Information Technology Research Program, Small Projects Grant Proposals, National Science Foundation, Washington, DC, 2001
 - Big Ten Fundraising Institute, Mackinac Island, Michigan, August 1998

- Organized and chaired session, *Workshop for the Future of Area Studies Librarianship*, Indianapolis, Indiana, 1997
- Participant, Columbia University Conference (*Towards a Formalism for Terms and Conditions*), Ardin House, sponsored by the National Science Foundation, New York, New York, 1996
- Invited Participant, Konrad-Adenauer Stiftung, (*Promises and Dilemmas of the Emerging Information Technologies*), San Francisco, California, 1996

International Experience

- Lecturer, The University of Manitoba Libraries, Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB, Canada, January 11, 2005
- Member of faculty jury that selected graduate fellows for study in the United States through the La Caixa program, administered by Indiana University, Madrid and Barcelona, Spain, September 2004
- Workshop presenter, International Conference on Strategic Planning for e-Learning and Digital Content, Feng Chia University, Taichung, Taiwan, December 13, 2003
- Lecturer, Sun Yat-Sen University, Guangzhou, Guangdong, China, December 8, 2003
- Lecturer, International Conference on Scholarly Communication in the Digital Era, Feng Chia University, Taichung, Taiwan, June 1-2, 2003
- Workshop presenter, e-Workshops on Scholarly Communication in the Digital Era, August 11-24, 2003. Feng Chia University, Taichung, Taiwan
- Lecture, Lund University, Lund University Libraries, Lund, Sweden, October 31, 2002
- Participant in senior administrative practicum for Indiana University/Warsaw University library development, sponsored by the Indiana University Office of International Programs, Warsaw and Krakow, Poland, May 28 to June 5, 1998
- Member of faculty jury that selected graduate fellows for study in the United States through the La Caixa program, administered by Indiana University, Madrid and Barcelona, Spain, September 1997
- Lecturer and participant in an international symposium on national libraries and their role in the 21st century, Tokyo and Kyoto, Japan, March 1996; advised the National Diet Library on planning a science library in Kansai
- As U.S. Representative to the G-7 commission on Electronic Libraries, participated in G-7 meeting at the Bibliotheque Nationale de France, Paris, France, May 29, 1995
- Guest of the Federal Republic of Germany from April 21 to May 5, 1995. Visited German libraries and institutions to learn about their digitization and library programs
- Speech, Humboldt University, Institute for Library Science, Berlin, Germany, April 27, 1995 (*The Role of Libraries in the Global Information Structure*)

Speaking Engagements

- *Sustainable Scholarship 2009*, Invitational meeting sponsored by Ithaka. September 23, 2009, New York City. Invited speaker and panelist for session, Economic Forces and Innovation

- “Bricks and Mortar Librarians in the 21st Century: an Oxymoron?” Point Counterpoint session with Richard Luce (Emory University), Educause annual Conference, Fall 2009
- *Speaker*, Academic Librarians and Information Technology Professionals: Why Collaborate?, New York State Higher Education Chief Information Officer Conference, NY, July 23-24, 2009
- Special Library Association, SUNY Binghamton Chapter, September 29, 2006
- *Speaker*, “The Information Commons: Adapting to the Culture of Net Generation Students”, NY3Rs Association, NYLA, Saratoga Springs, NY, November 11, 2005
- “Libraries and Scholarship: Letting Go of Melville Dewey,” Library Associates, Syracuse University, September 2006
- *Speaker*, Design of Informal Learning Spaces, EDUCAUSE Learning Initiative Fall Focus Session, Avondale, Arizona, September 14-15, 2005. See <http://www.educause.edu/eli054>
- *Speaker*, The Crisis in Scholarly Communication: Searching for Solutions, Northern Illinois University Libraries, DeKalb, Illinois, April 15, 2005 <http://www.niulib.niu.edu/pubconference/index.htm>
- *Panel Participant*, Association of College and Research Libraries 12th National Conference, Minneapolis, Minnesota, April 9, 2005 (*What If Open Access Scholarly Publishing Succeeds? Implications for the Role and Work of the Academic Library*)
- *Speaker*, Integration of Content and Services: Still More than One Click Away, Coalition for Networked Information’s Fall 2004 Task Force Meeting, Portland, Oregon, December 6-7, 2004. See <http://www.cni.org/tfms/2004b.fall/abstracts/PB-sakai-thorin.html>
- *Speaker*, Library and Information Technology Collaboration, Plenary Session: Understanding the Goals of the Institution's Leaders and the Ways IT Can Partner with these Leaders, Seminars on Academic Computing, Snowmass, CO, August 6-8, 2004. See <http://www.educause.edu/SeminaronAcademicComputing2004/4298>
- Invited scholarly team participant, Council on Library and Information Resources Scholarly Communication Institute, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, July 18-21, 2004. Supported by funding from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation
- Invited participant on discussion about the future of academic libraries, sponsored by Ithaka Harbors, Inc., New York, NY, June 16-17, 2004. See www.ithaka.org
- *Speaker*, Authentication and Authorization from Library Public Workstations, Coalition for Networked Information’s Fall 2001 Task Force Meeting, San Antonio, Texas, November 29–30, 2001
- *Speaker*, Collections and Access for the 21st Century Scholar: a Forum to Explore the Roles of the Research Library, Association of Research Libraries, Washington, DC, October 19–20, 2001
- Guest Editor, *Research and Creative Activity*, Indiana University Office of Research and University Graduate School, January 2001
- Sponsor and planner, *The Wells Archive: Exploring the World of Higher Education*, Indiana University Main Library, September 21, 2000. A seminar honoring Herman B Wells with speakers Robert O’Neill, Helen Horowitz, Roger Geiger, and John Thelin

- Invited participant, “On Developing Agreement on a Sustainable System of Scholarly Communication,” a national conference in Tempe, Arizona, sponsored by the Association of Research Libraries, American Association of Universities, and the Merrill Advanced Studies Center, March 2–4, 2000
- Panel Participant *Pro and Con*, WTIU television, hosted by Indiana University President, Myles Brand, Bloomington, Indiana, February 24, 1999 (*Libraries, Electronic Access, and the Future of the Book*)
- Panel participant in Virtual Reality Workshop, University Information Technology Services, Bloomington, Indiana, September 30–October 1, 1997
- *Keynote Speaker*, National Conference on History Journals and the Electronic Future, Bloomington, Indiana, August 3, 1997 (*History Journals and the Electronic Future*)
- Speech, Seminar on the Digital Library, Howard University, Washington, D.C., April 18, 1996 (*The National Digital Library*)