Digitizing cultural heritage opens the door to the worlds of education, research, and science. From boxes and archival vaults to homes, classrooms, and beyond, it transforms history into something accessible for the greater community.

The importance of preserving our cultural heritage should not be underestimated. The passage of time can be detrimental to valuable artifacts and precious natural history specimens.

Picturae focuses primarily on the cultural heritage and natural history sectors. We specialize in high quality and reliable workflows that are customized to fit the needs of all collection types, both public and private. We have provided services to a number of prominent institutions including MoMA, the Yale Center for British Art, The Frick Collection, The National Gallery of Art, Harvard Library, and the Smithsonian Institution.
With great precision and care, we capture every detail of your fragile materials. From preparation, to image capture and enrichment, we offer a tailor-made, high-tech solution for every project. This is why private collectors and our clients at archives, museums, and libraries turn to Picturae’s expertise again and again. Whatever your needs, we will work together to design the perfect solution, and guide you through every step along the way.

For transmissive materials: Our state of the art equipment can be adapted for specialized, transmissive materials ranging from 35mm slides and negatives, lantern slides, medium format and large format sheet film, and glass plates.

For reflective materials: Our sophisticated digitization sets are prepared to accommodate all manners of reflective materials such as photographic prints, posters, newspapers, postcards, letters, sketches, etchings, books, and more.

We use a semi-automated conveyor belt system to capture delicate natural history specimens on an industrial scale. This setup allows us to handle each collection with care while capturing over 4,000 images a day.

DIGITIZATION SOLUTIONS

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