



The Art of Courting

Connecting Library Publishers with
Extraintitutional Scholar-Led Projects



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If extrainstitutional partnerships are a growing focus for library publishing, then what are the social and technical infrastructures by which we can bring these partnerships about?

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But where to find a lady that would answer his ideas of a match, he was wholly ignorant.

–Ebenezer Bradford, 1795

How do we find each other?



I wish you would be so kind as to inform me what qualifications you are looking for in the person with whom you would wish to match.

–Ebenezer Bradford, 1795

How do we decide whether it's a fit? When do we know it isn't?



The happy and virtuous pair, viewing themselves as having one common interest, will readily participate in each other's labors and sorrows.

—Ebenezer Bradford, 1795

How do we sustain support for partnerships like these?