Empowering Voices/ Transforming Libraries

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Round One

Based on our findings from the Saturday session, in this envisioned community of the future what will be different about library service?

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From Yesterday

- Community as the Collection
- Communities are Diverse
    - Challenges of Building and Breaking Boundaries
- Flexibility
- Communities of Individuals and Institutions
- Communities Have Dreams

Round Two

What tools will libraries need for this trip to the future? What will you put in your backpack?

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Round Three

What will need to change about our assumptions about libraries and librarianship?

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Guidelines for Conversation

- Focus on what matters
- Contribute your thinking
- Speak your mind and heart
- Listen to understand
- Link and connect ideas
- Listen together for insights and deeper questions
- Play, doodle, draw – writing on tables is encouraged

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Expect More: Our Most Important Conversation Part 2

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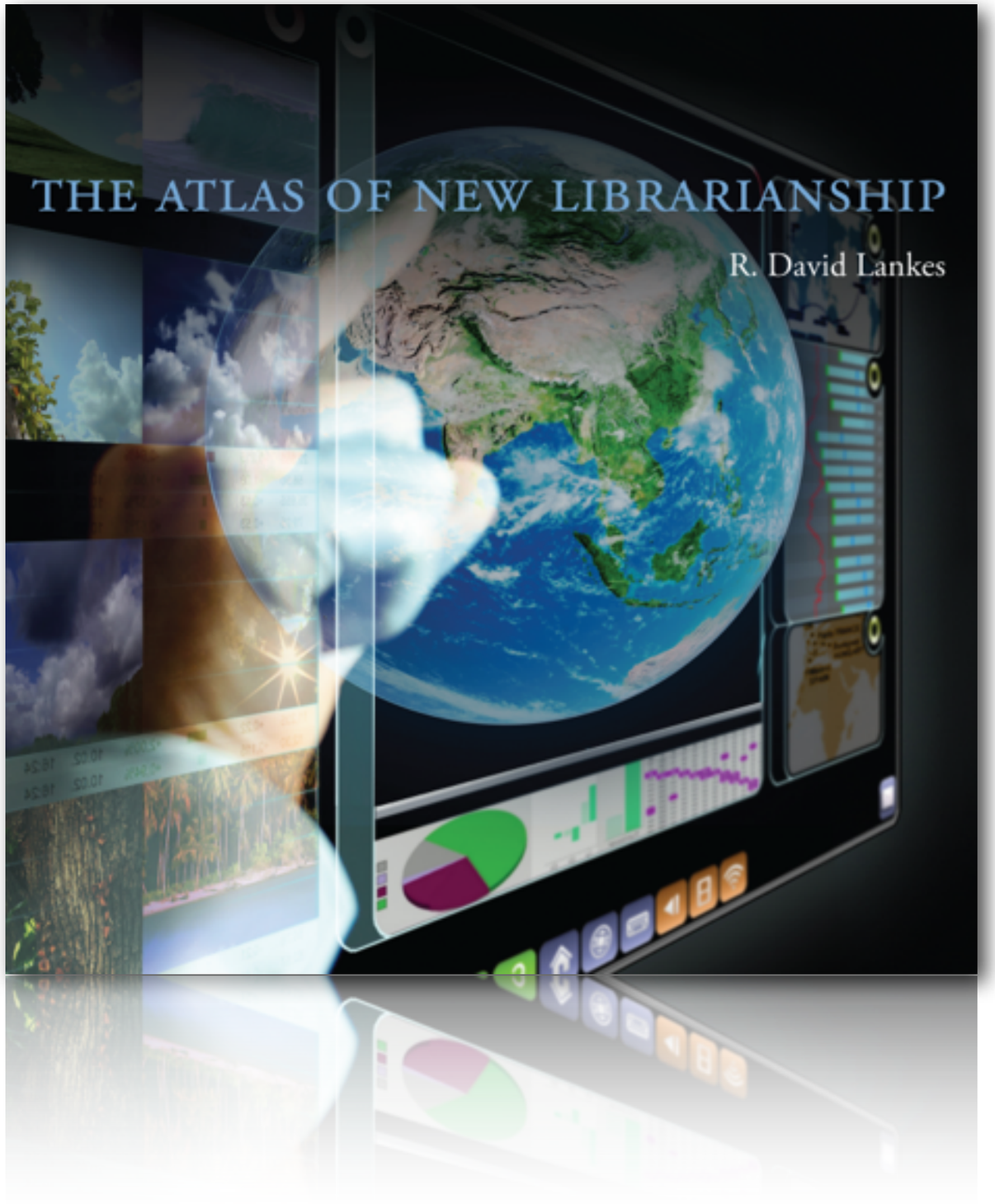
Libraries and Museums in an Era of Participatory Culture

- Technology
  - ability to engage and evolve with technology
  - ability to impart tech to community across generation
  - creating and maintaining on effective virtual presence
- Management for Participation (Professional Competencies)
  - ethics & values
  - sharing: benefits & barriers
  - collaborate within interdisciplinary teams
- Asset management
  - preserve / safeguard
  - collect
  - organize
- Cultural Skills
  - languages / terminology
  - support for multiple type of literacies
- Knowledge / Learning / Innovation
  - improvisation or innovation
  - interpretation

- **Transformative Social Engagement**
  - activism
  - social responsibility
  - critical social analysis
  - public programming – fitting to larger agenda
  - advocacy (organizing communities to action-political, policy)
  - sustainability of societal mission
  - conflict management
  - understanding community needs


THE ATLAS OF NEW LIBRARIANSHIP
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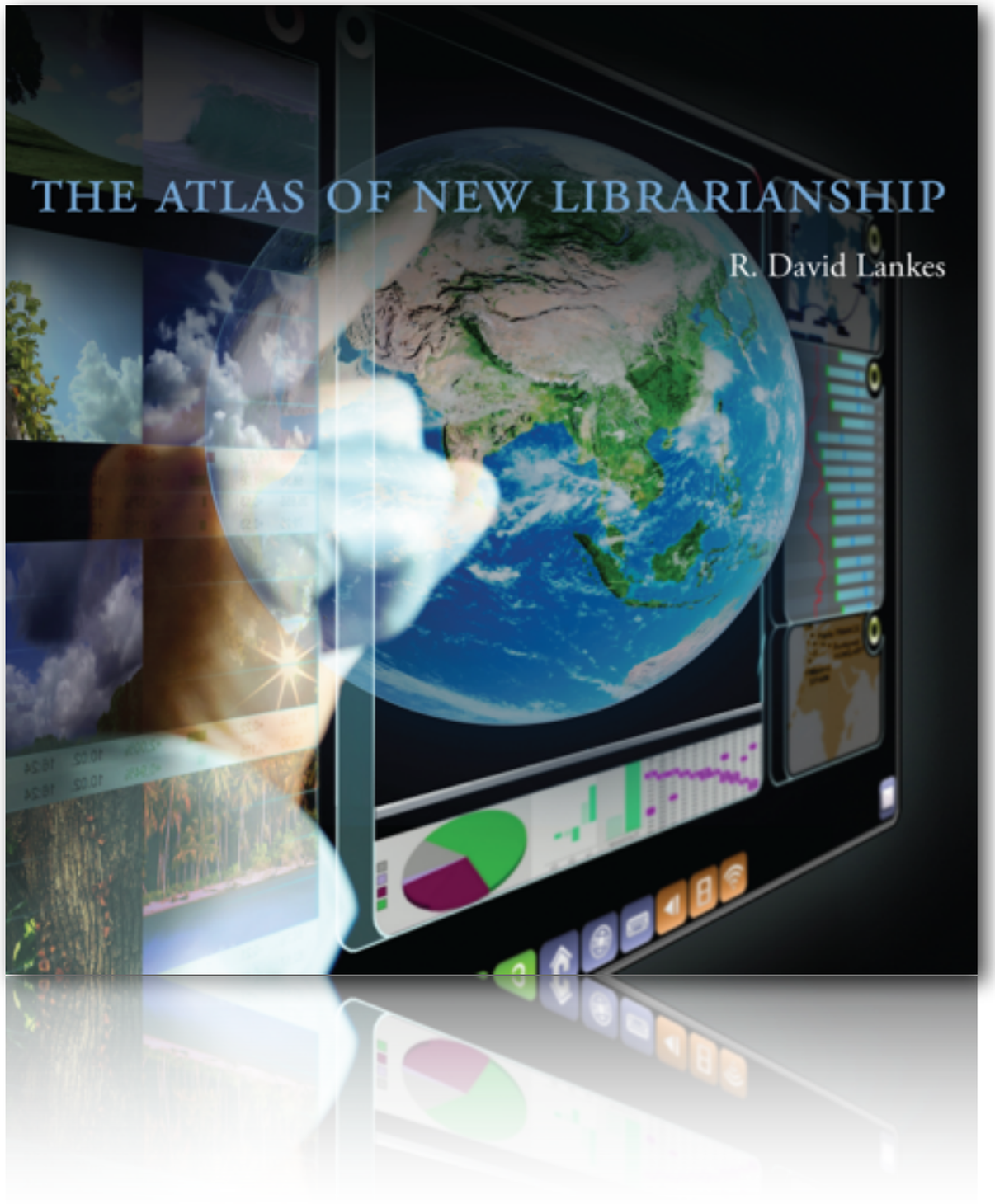

The mission of librarians is to improve society through facilitating knowledge creation in their communities

- No AACR2 For Transformation

- No Dewey for Conversations

Let’s Talk

Plenary Conversation

What insights did you have as you talked with one another?

What was new to you?

What would you like to explore further?

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