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Surprisingly few software packages for moving image collections are sufficiently flexible and up-to-date to encompass the creativity of video and media artists. One exception is Archive Tool, the database PNEK has developed to manage its own archive. Curators and academic researchers will find its features tailored to their needs, while artists will appreciate the ability to upload and manage access to their own video files. The tool is built with robust, open-source software well chosen for making the collection available online. I'm very pleased that its creators have chosen to share Archive Tool itself in an open-source fashion, and hope other collecting institutions will take advantage of this promising resource.

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