### Global Media and Information Literacy
**The Department of Library and Information Studies (DLIS)**
**Focusing on Library and Information Agencies of Change**

#### The Institute of Jamaica (IOJ)

**Mission Statement**
To enhance the awareness of our Jamaican cultural heritage; develop policies and manage programmes for the collection, research, preservation, protection, documentation, analysis, display and dissemination of our literature, science, history and material culture.

**Vision Statement**
An organization sensitive to the educational needs of the Jamaican people consistent with the role as the primary institution dedicated to the preservation of Jamaica’s cultural heritage.

#### Divisions of the IOJ

1. **African Caribbean Institute of Jamaica**
   **Mission:** To deepen public awareness of the contribution of African cultural retention to the Jamaican social ethos.

2. **Jamaica Music Museum**
   **Aim:** The JaMM is geared toward documenting, preserving and displaying artefacts relating to Jamaica’s very eventful musical history.

3. **Junior Centres**
   **Mandate:** To provide the facilities for young people to acquire knowledge and develop skills in the various art forms so as to foster their intellectual, aesthetic and cultural growth.

4. **Liberty Hall**
   **Mandate:** To promote the life and legacy of Marcus Mosiah Garvey, Jamaica’s first national hero, through its educational programmes and exhibitions.

5. **National Gallery of Jamaica**
   **Mission:** To collect, research, document and preserve Jamaican, other Caribbean Art and related material and to promote our artistic heritage for the benefit of present and future generations.

6. **Natural History Museum of Jamaica**
   **Mission:** Advance scientific research and education by collecting, storing and maintaining specimens of Jamaica’s plants and animals and educating Jamaicans on the importance of preserving the Island’s natural history.

7. **National Museum Jamaica**
   **Mission:** The establishing and maintaining of museums across the island for the collection, preservation and presentation of artefacts.

8. **Central Administration**
   **Mandate:** Supports all other divisions.