

## Enhance Sharing Session at ALA Midwinter

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Forty or more members of the OCLC cooperative gathered for the Enhance Sharing Session during the American Library Association Midwinter Conference in Seattle on Monday, 2007 January 22. Enhance Coordinator Jay Weitz moderated the meeting, with valuable assistance from his OCLC colleague Rich Greene. An informal show of hands suggested that at least two representatives from RLG institutions were present. Highlights from the handout "News from OCLC," the full text of which follows this report, were noted.

- **Connexion client 1.70 release:** See details at <http://www.oclc.org/connexion/interface/client/enhancements/recent.htm>.
- **OCLC's Bibliographic Formats and Standards Has Been Updated:** The text is available at <http://www.oclc.org/bibformats/en/>.
- **Getty Vocabularies Have Been Added to OCLC Terminologies Service:** See details at <http://www.oclc.org/terminologies/>.
- **WorldCat Selection Service Helps Streamline Selection, Ordering:** See details at <http://www.oclc.org/selection/>.

Kate Harcourt (Columbia University) had submitted a question beforehand about how RLG institutions would be included in the Enhance program and if there would be any alterations in the record review process. Because the situation differs so much from institution to institution, we long ago decided that, to be as fair as possible across the board, separate Enhance applications would be requested for each OCLC symbol. At least that has generally been the case, except when the same institutional staff happens to be working under multiple OCLC symbols for one reason or another. We are treating RLG institutions the same way we have always treated other OCLC participants, asking them to go through the normal Enhance application process. Several RLG institutions have already done so or are in the process of doing so. Using the traditional evaluation process seems particularly important for formerly-RLG institutions, which are having to adjust to the very different "master record" culture of WorldCat. Of course, OCLC is currently working on implementing RLG-like "institution records," so OCLC participants are going to have to work on our own sort of equal and opposite adjustments.

At this point, the floor was opened to questions, comments, and discussion. Note that some answers have been updated with more current or detailed information.

Questions about the loading of RLG records from its RLIN 21 database were answered by Rich. He described the loading plans and provided rough numbers of records loaded at that point: about 10 million as of ALA with 70% matching, 15% being added, and 15% being deferred for further work (mostly MARC errors and serials). Then he briefly described the merging process. The RLG records will usually look like any other batchloaded records, although Rich offered a few hints. If it's a recent batchload (over OCLC #78,000,000) and has no holdings, it's probably from RLG, but that will change in a couple of months because holdings will be added. If 040 subfield \$c has "RLINP," it's batchloaded, but that represents a small percentage of records that had a symbol that didn't map to an existing OCLC symbol. Right now, records with non-Latin data are being set aside while we revise the rules for merging, so as to retain more non-Latin data. We're hoping to begin loading those records in March 2007.

Connexion client 1.70's implementation of Authority History was a topic of conversation. Here is a brief description of the new capability:

### **Authority history records for LC Names and Subjects**

Use the authority history database to view superseded versions of records in order to trace the changes made to a given authority heading and/or the history of an LCCN. Access to authority history is available to all cataloging users and is read-only. You may copy and paste or print

information from superseded authority records. Go to Authorities/Search > LC Names and Subjects History or Authorities > Browse> LC Names and Subjects History to search or browse for authority history records. To toggle between distributed records in the LC authorities file and authority history records with the same ARN, open the currently distributed authority record from an associated authority history record or vice versa. With a history record open, go to Authorities/Show > LC Distributed Version, or with a distributed record open, go to Authorities/Show > LC Superseded Version. See “Search or browse the LC names and subjects history file” for details.

Following up on the earlier report that eleven Technical Bulletins had now been incorporated into OCLC’s online versions (HTML and PDF) of *Bibliographic Formats and Standards*, people wondered about the schedule for a new print version. Revision work will continue throughout 2007 on BFAS. A new printed edition will definitely be published, but the schedule for it is uncertain.

Participants in an Illinois statewide project wondered the best way to indicate restrictions on access in a bibliographic records. Attention was brought to field 506 “Restrictions on Access Note” (<http://www.oclc.org/bibformats/en/5xx/506.shtm>).

Discussion about Romanized records followed, particularly Chinese and Korean records where LC Romanization rules are not being adhered to. Since 2000 October 1, all Romanized Chinese records are supposed to be using the Pinyin Romanization scheme, and records not using that scheme may be corrected, particularly headings that do not agree with Pinyin forms found in the authority file.

This led to a discussion about language of descriptive cataloging and parallel records. When a record has been *cataloged* in a language other than English, it should have the corresponding Language Code in field 040 subfield \$b (Language of Cataloging). At the same time, there should be evidence that the record *actually was* cataloged in a language other than English, such as a non-English GMD if appropriate, a non-English physical description in field 300, and/or non-English 5XX notes (not including notes transcribed from the resource). If, by examining these pieces of evidence in the record, you can determine that the cataloging is in a language other than English, you may add a parallel record cataloged in English, if you wish (see BFAS 3.10 at <http://www.oclc.org/bibformats/en/specialcataloging/default.shtm#BCGBAEHC> for details). You needn’t do anything to the non-English record. If you determine that the language of cataloging really is English despite the presence of a non-English Language Code in field 040 subfield \$b, you may delete that subfield \$b and edit the record as you would with any other Enhance. Note that you are *not required* to create a parallel record; you always have the option of editing an existing record *locally* instead.

In turn, this led inevitably to a discussion of vendor records. Vendor records can be identified by the presence of field 938 (Vendor-Specific Ordering Data) and the presence of a vendor symbol in field 040 subfield \$c (Transcribing Agency). A list of vendor symbols can be found at <http://www.oclc.org/partnerships/materia/contribution/technical/default.htm>. (Note that a vendor symbol must be in field 040 subfield \$c; otherwise, the record is one to which vendor data has simply been added by matching or merging and is not considered to be a vendor record). Vendor records may be Enhanced regardless of the presence of a non-English Language Code in field 040 subfield \$b. If you Enhance the record to English-language cataloging, delete the incorrect 040 subfield \$b. One attendee used this approach: If the vendor was the only holding, Enhance the record; but if the only other holding was an institution in the same part of the world as the vendor, and presumably cataloging in the same language, don’t Enhance it.

Further in turn, this led to a discussion of the records from the Dutch shared cataloging system, Gemeenschappelijk Geautomatiseerd Catalogiseersysteem (GGC), which are identified by the OCLC symbol NLGGC. These are usually relatively brief records, but clearly cataloged in Dutch (with field 040 subfield \$b coded “dut” and 5XX fields in Dutch), using the Dutch rules as indicated in field 040 subfield \$e coded “fobidrtb” (Federatie van Organisaties op het Gebied van het Bibliotheek-Informatie-en Dokumentatiewezen [FOBID] Regels voor de titelbeschrijving [Den Haag: Nederlands Bibliotheek en Lektuur Centrum]). Under the current policy regarding records with a non-English language of cataloging (as described earlier), these records would usually be candidates for parallel record treatment. Within OCLC, we have a Quality Control Policy Group that meets quarterly to discuss such issues. Treatment of

these and similar records (such as those created by Niedersächsische Staats- und Universitätsbibliothek Göttingen [ZXW]) will be brought up in the next session.

A National Level Enhance participant wondered if Connexion was going to include a macro for creating authority records from headings in a bibliographic record. It was pointed out that Robert Bremer's "Generate Authority Record" macro is already included both in Connexion client (Tools/Macros/Manage/OCLC/GenerateAuthorityRecord) and in Connexion browser (when the cursor is in a field from which an authority record can be generated, go to the "Functions" list for that field and choose "Generate Authority Record"). One user of the macro encountered occasional problems with replacing bibliographic records after using the macro, but in follow-up exchanges with Robert, it was determined that the problem was likely unrelated to the macro itself. Instead, it was thought to be related to a control headings problem that was recently resolved. If the problem is encountered again in the future, it should be brought to the attention of Becky Dean at OCLC.

Attendees wondered about the timeline for adding non-Roman data to authority records. Here is the current status of that effort according to the "Library of Congress Update for 2007 ALA Midwinter Meeting" (<http://www.loc.gov/ala/mw-2007-update.html>):

**Non-roman data in authority records.** The Library of Congress has initiated discussions with major authority record exchange partners (OCLC, British Library, National Library of Medicine, Library and Archives Canada) to outline the steps necessary to provide non-roman data in authority records issued as part of the LC/NAF (Name Authority File). An early agreement has been reached to use the "regular" MARC 21 tags for including non-roman data (e.g., 4XX, 7XX) in authority records, rather than paired "regular" and 880 fields, which is the current model for bibliographic record exchange. A proposed model for when and how to record non-roman forms of established headings, and a timeline for including the data in NACO distributions are currently under discussion. LC and the NACO partners will release information on this timeline as it becomes available.

A group of Vietnamese catalogers had questions about OCLC's pricing policy for Vietnamese libraries. Because these questions were beyond the expertise of the two OCLC folks, the catalogers were referred to OCLC Asia Pacific (<http://www.oclc.org/contacts/regional/ap.htm>).

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## General News

### **OCLC Awarded Gates Grant to Develop Library Marketing Campaign**

OCLC has been awarded a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for development of a potential national marketing campaign to increase awareness of the value of libraries, and the need for support for libraries at local, state, and national levels. The \$1.2 million grant will be used by OCLC to conduct research, develop strategies, create materials and test elements of a national marketing campaign to demonstrate the value of libraries, and the need to increase support for libraries to meet the changing needs and expectations of library users. The project will aim to create a national campaign that can form an umbrella for regional- and local-level programs. OCLC has selected Leo Burnett USA as the agency partner in the project. Trends suggest that U.S. public libraries will find it difficult to adequately fund operations over the next 3 to 5 years—a period in which public libraries will come under increasing pressure to modernize programs, facilities and electronic infrastructure and offer more Internet-based services and electronic collections. At the same time, studies indicate that most people are unaware of all the types of information and services libraries make available to their patrons. *Perceptions of Libraries and Information Resources*, a report issued in December 2005 based on Harris Poll findings, noted that U.S. residents do not have a current view of library services or technology offerings. Most residents hold a nostalgic view of libraries, associating libraries overwhelmingly with "books." While 99 percent of libraries now provide free Internet access and most provide electronic collections and online services, many residents are unfamiliar with these services and do not see libraries as providing services that fit with their current lifestyles.

## Collections and Technical Services

### **Connexion Client 1.70 Release**

Connexion client 1.70 is now available. With client 1.70 you are able to: Extract metadata for MP3 files; Search the authority history database; Use guided entry for fields 541 and 583; Search and automatically convert an invalid Chinese, Japanese, or Korean (CJK) character to a valid MARC-8 character; Transliterate Persian script; plus a lot more. See the Connexion client recent enhancements page at <http://www.oclc.org/connexion/interface/client/enhancements/recent.htm> for more information and to download the software. Among other new features and changes in Connexion client 1.70 are:

- **Toolbar and menu changes:** The toolbar is redesigned. Besides the main client toolbar with buttons, a WorldCat quick search toolbar and quick tools for text strings and user tools are also displayed by default.
- **Expanded OCLC Number/Field 035:** To accommodate the ongoing growth of the WorldCat database, OCLC will change the format of the 001 in OCLC MARC bibliographic records starting with OCLC record number 100 million. For bibliographic records up to and including OCLC number 99999999, the 001 will continue to use the three character prefix (ocm), followed by an eight digit number, and a trailing space (e.g., ocm99999999). Starting with record number 100000000, the prefix will be ocn, the number will be 9 digits in length and have no trailing space (e.g., ocn100000000). All records exported include the OCLC control number in the 035 field. See Technical Bulletin 253 for more detailed information.
- **View the "Find in a Library" service at WorldCat.org from a displayed WorldCat record:** Use the screen to locate libraries that hold the work described in the current record and to link directly to library OPACs.
- **Import text macros from RLIN21 into the Connexion client:** Open the import Text Strings window to select and import text macros from RLIN21 text macro files (\*.ma9) into the client text string file.

- Thirteen digit ISBNs are now fully supported in WorldCat: WorldCat records include both the 10 and 13 digit ISBN's in 020 fields. If you enter one format, Connexion automatically adds the other format when you take a final action on your record. See Technical Bulletin 253 for more information.
- Bengali and Devanagari script cataloging and searching are now supported: Bengali script is used for Bangla, Assamese, and other languages. Devanagari script is used for Hindi, Marathi, and other languages.
- Several changes and fixes to controlling headings have been implemented.
- “[CHILDREN’S]” label has been added to authority searching results. Please note that the “[CHILDREN’S]” label is not presented when browsing the authority file.
- You may now search Authority LCCNs with or without a hyphen.
- Full-mode users have been enabled to add non-Latin scripts: Full-mode users can add or change non-Latin script fields in full-level masterrecords (e.g., Encoding Levels blank, I, L, etc.). Previously, an Enhance authorization was needed to perform these activities. Connexion treats non-Latin script fields like other database enrichment fields such as call numbers, subject headings, contents notes, etc.

Note: OCLC will discontinue client 1.60 on 2007 April 1. This applies to users of the Windows-based Connexion client interface; it does not apply to users of the Web-based Connexion browser interface.

### ***Bibliographic Formats and Standards Has Been Updated***

OCLC’s *Bibliographic Formats and Standards* has been completely updated with information from recent technical bulletins. The updated BFAS is now available from OCLC’s Web site (<http://www.oclc.org/bibformats/default.htm>). The updates include the following information from recent technical bulletins:

- TB 240: Pinyin Conversion Project
- TB 241: National Library Control Number Changes
- TB 242: OCLC Symbol Expansion
- TB 244: OCLC-MARC Format Update 2001
- TB 246: Database Enrichment
- TB 247: OCLC-MARC Format Update 2002
- TB 249: OCLC-MARC Format Update 2003
- TB 250: Parallel Records
- TB 251: Connexion WorldCat Searching
- TB 252: OCLC-MARC Format Update 2006
- TB 253: ISBN and OCLC Number Changes

In addition to the material from technical bulletins, the first five chapters of BFAS have also been completely updated and revised. The first five chapters are also available in Spanish, at <http://www.oclc.org/bibformats/es/default.shtm>. On a related note, the revision of *OCLC-MARC Records* is currently under way. An updated *OCLC-MARC Records* will be available in the near future. The revision of BFAS remains ongoing and the printed edition is scheduled for the third quarter of 2007. Printed copies of BFAS will be available for \$40.00, plus shipping and handling.

### **Getty Vocabularies Added to OCLC Terminologies Service**

OCLC and the Getty Research Institute (GRI) announced that the Getty Vocabularies—the Art & Architecture Thesaurus, Getty Thesaurus of Geographic Names, and Union List of Artist Names—will be available through the OCLC Terminologies Service. The OCLC Terminologies Service is a Web service that was recently launched to provide libraries, museums, and archives access to a variety of thesauri through a single interface. It may be used as a standalone tool or may be used with different metadata editors, such as OCLC Connexion, CONTENTdm, or local systems. The Getty Vocabularies are the premier references for categorizing works of art, architecture, material culture, and the names of artists, architects, and others. Editors in the Getty Vocabulary Program, an operating program of the Getty Research Institute, continually monitor developments in the cultural heritage field to maintain thesauri with terms, names and other information about people, places, things, and concepts relating to art, architecture, and material culture. To learn more about Getty Vocabularies, visit: [http://www.getty.edu/research/conducting\\_research/vocabularies/](http://www.getty.edu/research/conducting_research/vocabularies/). The addition of the Getty Vocabularies

will add three new thesauri to the OCLC Terminologies Service suite that includes Medical Subject Headings (MeSH) 2006; Thesaurus for graphic materials: TGM I, Subject terms; Thesaurus for graphic materials: TGM II, Genre and physical characteristic terms; Guidelines On Subject Access To Individual Works Of Fiction, Drama, Etc., 2nd ed., form and genre; Newspaper Genre List, and Dublin Core Metadata Initiative Type Vocabulary. More information about the OCLC Terminologies Service is available at <http://www.oclc.org/terminologies/>.

### **YBP Library Services Records Now Being Added to WorldCat**

YBP Library Services, well-known as a major supplier of library materials for academic libraries is now adding records to WorldCat. YBP, located in Contoocook, New Hampshire, provides books and supporting collection management and technical services to libraries around the world. The titles are being added as part of the agreement between YBP's parent company, Baker and Taylor, and OCLC, to partner to provide bibliographic records to libraries. YBP's product file is converted to MARC records that are then matched against WorldCat records through a batch process. When a record is matched, YDXCP is added to field 040 subfield \$d. This indicates that fields 029 and 938 have been added to the matching record and contain YBP product data (YBP unique identifier, i.e., book number). No other editing of records occurs as part of this process. When no matching record is identified through the batch process, OCLC adds the YBP product record as a new record to WorldCat. This record contains the symbol YDXCP in field 040 subfields \$a and \$c. These records are very brief and are coded as abbreviated records (Encoding Level 3). They are not created by or examined by a cataloger. This provides customers using the new YBP/OCLC Cataloging Plus service with access to the OCLC number early in the acquisitions workflow. OCLC encourages member libraries who acquire one of these titles to upgrade and replace the record and receive credit on your OCLC bill for upgrading that record. As YBP catalogers are performing cataloging services for customers, they will also be upgrading these records. This is an important feature of the OCLC/YBP/Baker & Taylor agreement. In cases both of original records and matches, a 938 field is added to the MARC record that contains the vendor code YANK. This code is indexed; vendor records are searchable using the vendor information keyword index. For a list of all partners contributing records through the Vendor Record Contribution Program, see <http://www.oclc.org/partnerships/material/contribution/technical/default.htm>.

### **CatExpress Available in French**

OCLC has translated one of its premier cataloging services, CatExpress, from English into French. The easy-to-use, efficient, Web-based copy cataloging solution is now available in French, which will meet the need for multilingual programs for Canada's significant French population and other French-speaking nations around the world. CatExpress requires minimal training and can be used by new staff members with ease, regardless of cataloging experience. Unlike Connexion, CatExpress is much more abbreviated, which allows users to navigate and master the program without being familiar with the full Connexion cataloging system. The system is recommended for smaller libraries needing basic copy cataloging for 250 to 7,000 titles. CatExpress enables users to retrieve related records from more than 76 million records on WorldCat, the world's most comprehensive bibliographic database.

### **Donohue Group Contributing Original MARC Records to WorldCat**

The Donohue Group, Inc. (DGI), is a provider of professional contract technical and consulting services to libraries, historical societies and museums. Founded in 1984, they have been known to libraries for many years for quality contract cataloging. One of the services offered by DGI is Publishers Cataloging in Publication (PCIP). Within this program, a publisher who is not eligible to participate in the LC CIP program may contract with DGI for creation of PCIP. You can read more about DGI's PCIP program at <http://www.dgiinc.com/pcip.htm>. DGI is now contributing these PCIP records to WorldCat. As a result, cataloging for these titles will be available in WorldCat prior to a library's acquisition of the title. This enables OCLC member libraries to do copy cataloging rather than costly original cataloging. PCIP prepared by DGI looks very similar to LC CIP. When added to WorldCat, the DGI PCIP records will be set at Encoding Level M, which is the OCLC code for batchload records that are less than full level. This Encoding Level may be upgraded by any member library with a full cataloging authorization. Doing such an upgrade earns the library a Minimal Level Upgrade credit. The records contain an incomplete 300 field, much like the LC CIP records do, though the DGI PCIP is often subfielded and may indicate whether illustrations will be present in the subfield \$b. Other than the information that is not available pre-

publication, the records are quite complete. They contain complete LC and Dewey classification numbers as well as LCSH and LC subject headings for children's literature as appropriate. When a DGI record is added to WorldCat, a 938 field is added to the MARC record that contains the vendor code DONE. This code is indexed; vendor records are searchable in Connexion using the vendor index (Vendor (vn:) in the dropdown menu).

### **BBC Audiobooks America Partners with OCLC**

OCLC is pleased to announce that BBC Audiobooks America, a major supplier of audiobooks to the public library market, has become a Vendor Record Contribution Partner. BBC Audiobooks America, located in North Kingstown, Rhode Island, publishes and distributes unabridged audiobooks and radio dramatizations in CD, audiocassette, and MP-3CD formats. In addition, they distribute some BBC video programs. For more information on their extensive offerings in many subject areas, see their website at <http://www.bbcaudiobookamerica.com>. OCLC began loading original MARC records for BBC Audiobooks America titles in September 2006. Look for the symbol BBCAA in the 040 field subfield c to identify titles contributed by BBC Audiobooks America to WorldCat. When a record from BBC Audiobooks America matches a record already in WorldCat, the BBCAA symbol is added in subfield \$d of the 040 field. In both cases of original records and matches, a 938 field is added to the MARC record that contains the vendor code BBCAA. This code is indexed; vendor records are searchable using the vendor information keyword index. For a list of all partners contributing records through the Vendor Record Contribution Program, see <http://www.oclc.org/partnerships/material/contribution/technical/default.htm>.

### **Resource Sharing, Contract Services, Collection Management**

#### **WorldCat Selection Service Helps Streamline Selection, Ordering**

OCLC has released the new WorldCat Selection service to help libraries save time and money, streamlining selection and ordering by moving these processes to the network level for new library materials and delivery of the corresponding WorldCat records. OCLC has partnered with Cornell University Library to implement the WorldCat Selection service based on software known as the Integrated Tool for Selection and Ordering at Cornell University Library (ITSO CUL). The new service allows selectors to view records from multiple material vendors in one central comprehensive system, instead of using systems from each material vendor. Libraries are also able to get WorldCat records for newly purchased materials into their integrated library system early in the technical services process. The WorldCat Selection service automates the middle part of the acquisition workflow—the selection process. Librarians still "select" materials, but the additional step to send items via paper slips or selecting items in multiple vendor systems is eliminated with WorldCat Selection. Acquisitions staff automatically load WorldCat MARC records into the integrated library system, eliminating the need to re-key data or import data from multiple sources. More information on the WorldCat Selection service can be found at [www.oclc.org/selection](http://www.oclc.org/selection).

#### **WorldCat Collection Analysis Enhancements, Late 2006**

In November 2006, OCLC created eleven new Predefined Groups for subscribers of WorldCat Collection Analysis to compare their collections against. The new groups are listed in the Administrative module on the Predefined Groups screen and are now available. All of the newly created groups, except the ARL - Canadian Universities, are based on institutions listed in the US News and World Report's "2005 America's Best Colleges" and "2006 America's Best Graduate Schools" and are in the Conspectus area of Business and Economics. The predefined groups in the area of Business and Economics are in the subjects accounting, entrepreneurship, finance, information systems, international business, management, marketing, non-profit, production-operations, and supply chain-logistics.

In December 2007, WorldCat Collection Analysis began offering three additional new Predefined Peer Groups:

- HAPLR Public Library Rankings: A list of the best Public Libraries broken-down by the population size they serve (i.e. 100-250K).
- Top US Nursing Programs: A list of the best collections in Nursing subdivided by specialty (for instance, Mental Health Nursing).
- Google 9: the nine institutions currently participating in the Google Book Project.

WorldCat Collection Analysis will continue to add Predefined Peer Groups to better enable subscribers to assess their collection and collection development policies.

## **CONTENTdm New Release is Now Available**

CONTENTdm 4.2 is now available. This latest version of CONTENTdm Digital Collection Management Software delivers enhancements to the user interface and significant new features for documents, newspapers, letters, yearbooks, and other text-based items. With the new CONTENTdm release comes several new features, including:

- For users working with the OCR Extension, CONTENTdm 4.2 has upgraded OCR capabilities. These include an upgrade to ABBYY FineReader Version 8, support for 36 languages and dialects, warnings when images exceed standard A4 paper size, and the ability to OCR items that have previously been added to CONTENTdm collections.
- For users who have collections with searchable date data type fields, a date range search is available from the Advanced Search page.
- An option to configure search parameters for automatic hyperlinks in metadata is now available. Search parameters can be set to search all collections or only the current collection as well as all fields or only the current field. Additionally, a new configuration option allows you to display or suppress zoom and pan functionality by image file type.
- Changes in the Compound Object viewer provide additional options for viewing documents. These include an option to toggle the left-hand navigation menu on and off when viewing items, a new location for the navigational thumbnail image in order to provide a larger viewing area, and a static zoom and pan toolbar which stays put when scrolling large images. Additionally, the new viewer includes the ability to highlight and view individual articles within newspapers that have been specially processed to include article segmentation data.
- Compound objects queued in the Multiple Compound Object Add List are now persistent allowing users to close the Multiple Compound Object Wizard without losing items waiting for upload. Additionally, new error recovery features in the Multiple Compound Object Wizard will let users complete a compound object build if an error interrupts the process.

This latest release is free to all CONTENTdm users with a current Annual Maintenance Agreement and available for download from the CONTENTdm User Support Center (USC). A complete feature list and PPT overview are also on the USC Web site at <http://www.contentdm.com/USC/>. To learn more about CONTENTdm, please visit <http://www.oclc.org/contentdm>.

## **NetLibrary Adds eAudiobooks from Blackstone Audio**

NetLibrary now offers a selection of more than 1,600 classic, best-selling, and award winning eAudiobooks from Blackstone Audio. Bestselling titles from Blackstone Audio include: The Civil War; Mere Christianity; The Aubrey/Maturin Series, Beyond Band of Brothers; Charlie Wilson's War, and A Confederacy of Dunces, among many others. Current releases include: The Legend of the Wandering King, a CBC/NSTA Outstanding International Book for 2006; The Secret River, the 2006 Commonwealth Writer's Prize winner and a shortlisted title for the Man Booker Prize; The Master, an IMPAC Dublin Literary Award and New York Times Notable Book; The Sherlock Holmes Theatre, Blackstone Audio's 2005 Audie Award winner for Best Drama; The Prestige, winner of the World Fantasy Award; and many more. Librarians will be able to select from a growing catalog of more than 1,600 Blackstone Audio titles, and order now for delivery in February 2007. NetLibrary will also waive access fees on purchase of all Blackstone Audio titles made before March 31, 2007. Library users will be able to search for, preview, download, and listen to Blackstone Audio titles through the NetLibrary platform via the Internet. Users can download up to 10 high-quality, portable eAudiobooks, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. eAudiobooks will download or play on any desktop or laptop running supported media software programs and operating systems. Users can also transfer favorite titles to a wide range of supported portable devices, including portable music players and portable media centers. Users can gain access to the platform in a variety of ways, including OCLC WorldCat, OCLC Open WorldCat, WorldCat.org, and directly from the NetLibrary platform. A complete list of Blackstone Audio eAudiobook titles is available at: <http://www.netlibrary.com/Librarian/Products/Blackstone.aspx>.

## **NetLibrary Now Offering Chinese-Language eContent from Airiti**

NetLibrary is now offering subscription service to three Chinese-language databases from Airiti, Inc., a leading aggregator and distributor of Chinese-language content. The new databases will provide libraries and their patrons with direct access to 338,000 full-text articles from leading Taiwanese and Chinese



journals and a fully-searchable database of 12,000 images from the National Palace Museum in Taipei. Available databases include the Taiwan Electronic Periodical Services (TEPS), the Chinese Electronic Periodical Services (CEPS) and the National Palace Museum (NPM) Online Database. Users will be able to link directly to the image database and periodical services from the NetLibrary user interface, and will be able to search, browse and access content online. Named the Best Subsidized Digital Publication by the News Bureau of The Executive Yuan of Taiwan, the NPM Online database contains 12,000 images of Chinese antique art paintings, calligraphy, ceramics, jade, bronze, Buddhist antiquities, and other artifacts from the National Palace Museum in Taipei. NPM Online provides high-resolution 1024x768 pixel images and includes artifact descriptions in multiple languages, including Traditional Chinese, Simplified Chinese, and English. Japanese versions will be coming soon. Taiwan Electronic Periodical Services and Chinese Electronic Periodical Services database products will provide library users with direct access to more than 2,500 full-text Chinese-language journals. The Taiwan Electronic Periodical Services covers 81,000 articles published in leading Taiwanese academic journals, and the Chinese Electronic Periodical Services includes 338,000 full-text articles from journals published in China and in Taiwan. Spanning subject areas including medicine and life sciences, humanities, social sciences, natural sciences and applied sciences, each service is updated daily with new academic journal content and includes archived issues dating to 1991. Libraries that subscribe to the Chinese Electronic Periodical Services will also have access to the Taiwan Electronic Periodical Services. The Taiwan Electronic Periodical Services, Chinese Electronic Periodical Services, and NPM Online database are available to libraries as an annual subscription offering unlimited, simultaneous usage. NetLibrary is also offering a free, no-obligation trial that will allow libraries to evaluate each database before buying.

#### **WebJunction Awarded Gates Grant to Enhance Site**

WebJunction, an online community for library staff to meet to share ideas, solve problems and do online coursework, has been awarded a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to enhance usability of the Web site and help it keep pace with a growing audience and range of content. The \$2 million grant will fund critical development of WebJunction for one year, which will include a redesign to improve the Web site's organization and navigation so that resources can be more easily found by users, and the development of improved search functions. Other site modifications, such as making the site more accessible to those with disabilities, will be made to accommodate increased traffic to the site and expand opportunities for new audiences. The planned site changes are a direct response to user feedback and studies of the WebJunction.org site. Introduced in 2003, the WebJunction community has grown rapidly and now includes more than 22,000 registered members, 10,000 unique monthly visitors and a growing number of partner organizations. For more information on WebJunction, visit [www.webjunction.org](http://www.webjunction.org).

#### **NetLibrary Signs Agreements to Offer French-Language eBooks**

NetLibrary has signed agreements with two Canadian publishers, Option Santé and Septentrion, to make a selection of their titles available as eBooks to libraries across the globe. These titles will be added to the NetLibrary eBook collection. eBooks are electronic full-text copies of published print materials that are available wherever there is a Web connection. eBooks are searchable across a library's full collection, and users can take notes and copy-paste important text. Septentrion specializes in French and English books related to history, social sciences, archaeology, political science, ethnography, historical novels, and Amerindian culture. Option Santé specializes in French and Spanish books related to health, psychology, female-male relations, parent-children relations, personal growth, and relaxation.

#### **WorldCat Collection Analysis Adds Doody's Core Titles**

Doody's Core Titles in the Health Sciences has been added to the WorldCat Collection Analysis service as an Authoritative List for comparison purposes. From the Doody Enterprise, Inc. Web site, you'll see it is a successor to the Brandon/Hill Selected Lists and provides reviewed and recommended titles in 121 specialties for academic healthcare professionals and health sciences librarians. Included areas are Clinical Medicine, Basic Science, Nursing, Allied Health and other associated health-related disciplines. You can request a comparison with this authoritative list in the usual way, via the Administrative Module.