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"What is known must be shared."

An IGNITE Presentation by Bella Ross





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Beginnings

1967: Ohio College Library Center



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Beginnings

1967: Ohio College Library Center

First director: Frederick G.
Kilgour



Frederick G. Kilgour by Rich Skopin, 1990
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Defining characteristics

Information for everyone

OCLC will pay its own way



Highlights!



1971: Online Union Catalog

1977: The Online Computer Library Center



Highlights!

1978: Office of Research





Growth

1978: 45 states

1979: the first non-U.S. member is Canada

1999: 9,000 in 76 countries

2020: over 54,000 in over 100 countries

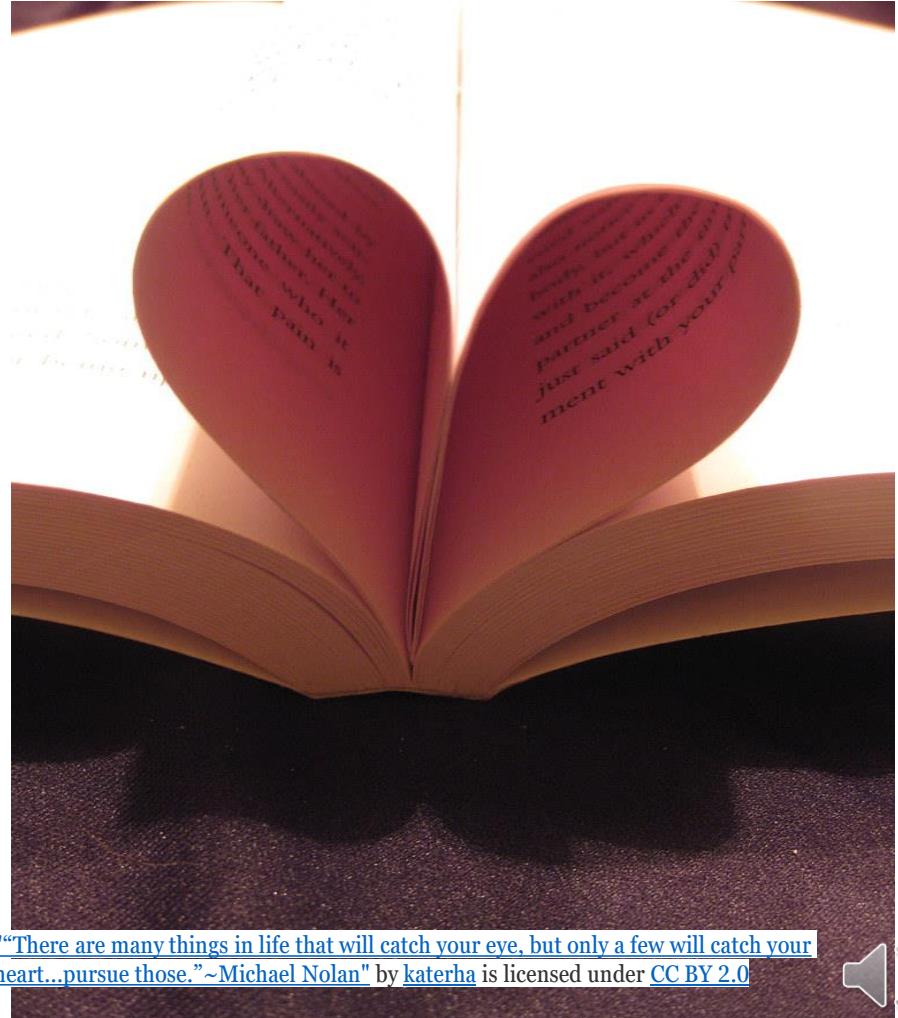


OCLC's Heart

WorldCat!

Primarily uses MARC records

Continually updated



["There are many things in life that will catch your eye, but only a few will catch your heart...pursue those." ~Michael Nolan](#) by [katerha](#) is licensed under [CC BY 2.0](#)



Online Union Catalog

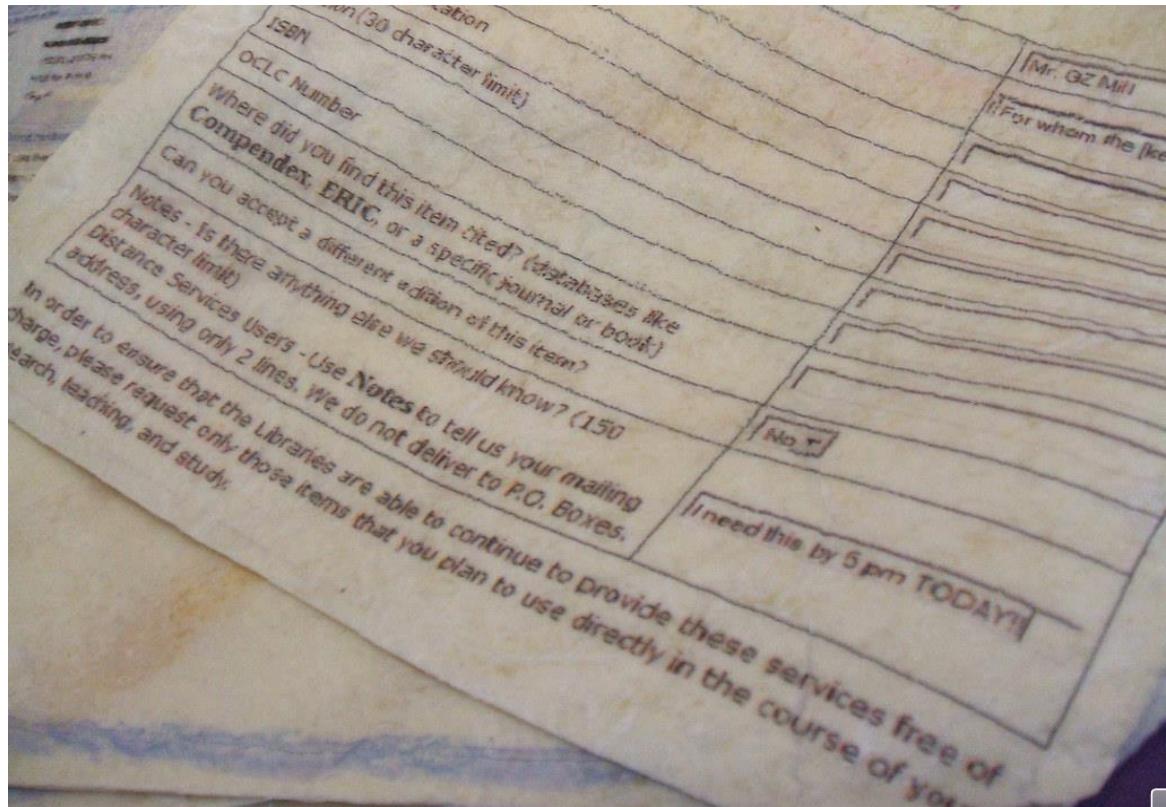


1971: Connected libraries



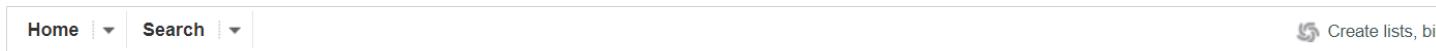
Online Union Catalog

1979: Interlibrary loan



Online Union Catalog >>> WorldCat

2003: Open WorldCat



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2007: WorldCat Local

2014: WorldCat Discovery



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Importance

Interconnected

Information shared



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Importance

Let's Evolve together

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Importance

Addresses LIS issues



Community is Vital



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Predictions

NEAR FUTURE LIBRARY

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-- CLOSER THAN WE THINK! by Richard

to most Americans, you belong to college. The values of education are more evident all the time.

ELECTRONIC HOME LIBRARY

Some unusual inventions for home entertainment and education will be yours in the future, such as the "television recorder" that RCA's David Sarnoff described recently.

With this device, when a worth-while program comes over the air while you are away from home, or even while you're watching it, you'll be able to preserve both the picture and sound on tape for replaying at any time. Westinghouse's Guy Lyon Price expects such tapes to reproduce shows in three dimensions and today on screens as shadow as a picture.

Another publication development will be projection of microfilm books on the ceiling or wall in large type. To increase their impact on students, an electronic voice may accompany the visual passages.

Next week: Tele Transport Capsule



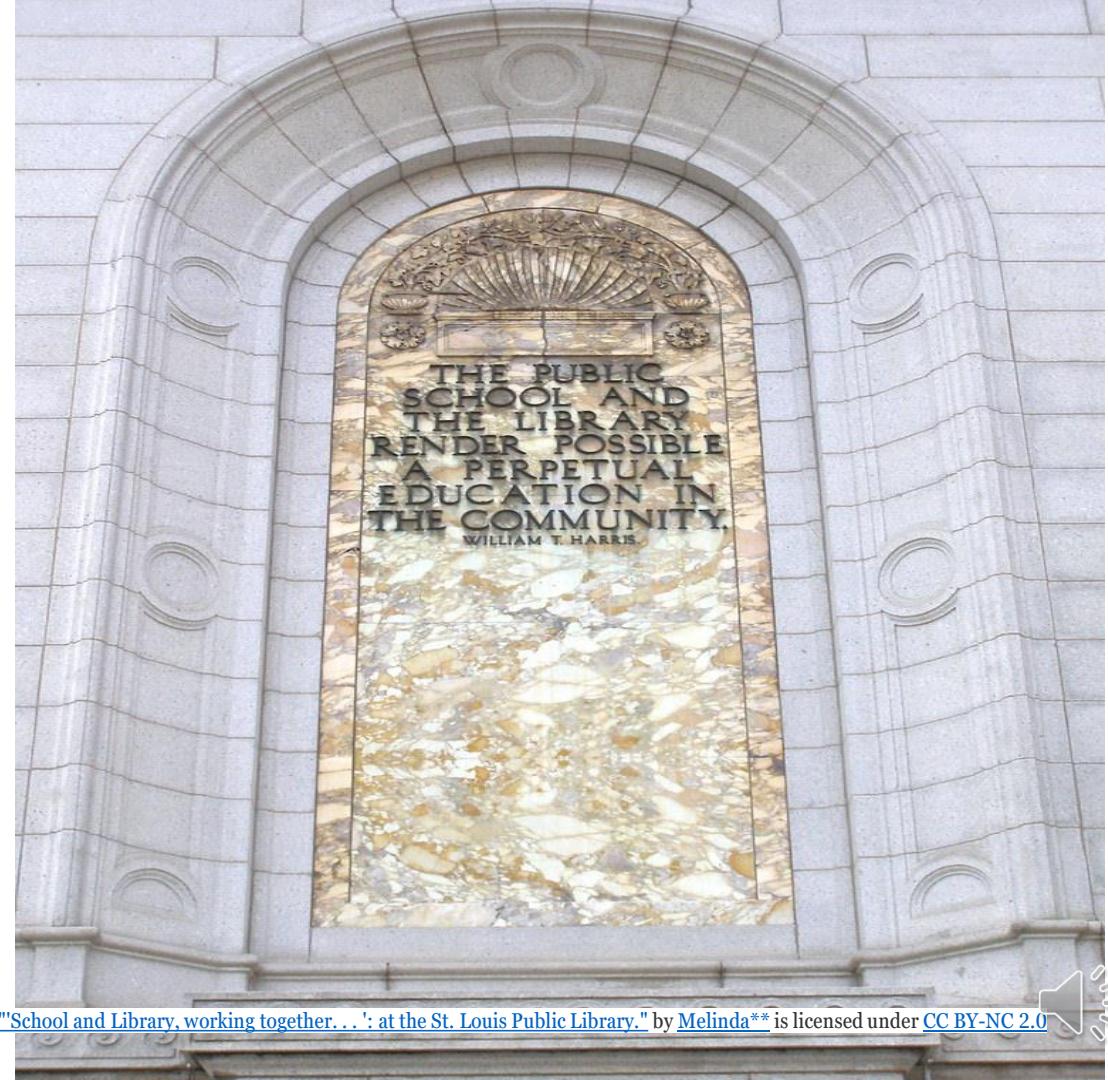
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Predictions

Speed

Ease of Access



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