



Cataloging Working Group

January 8, 2026

Agenda

- Welcome
- Backstage update
- New Search Interpreter
- Library of Congress cease adding form subdivisions
- MARC Listener changes
- 89x Fields
- Updated Online Courses
- Documentation Update
- Open Discussion

Next Meeting **In-Person**: April 9th, 2026, 10:00 AM-Noon
Eisenhower Public Library
4613 N Oketo Ave
Harwood Heights, IL 60706

Welcome

Backstage Update

- Loaded 6500+ bib records
- Loaded 5600+ Authority Records
- Christmas Rebuilds
- Back to the 5-10 minutes update
- Catalog freeze for older records will be necessary

New Search Interpreter

Q kids books about turtles X Search

Keyword in Library Catalog

Q turtles X Keyword in Library Catalog Search

Catalog Home » Catalog Search » Showing 1 - 20 of 3,047 Results

Applied Filters

✕ Juvenile ✕ Books

Clear All

Narrow Your Results

>

> Available Now At

> Format

> Fiction / Non-Fiction

> Audience

> Author

> Series

> Subject

We automatically narrowed your search to deliver more relevant results.

[Restore original search](#)

Books (Remove) Audio Books Music Movies

Sort by Best Match

Hide Covers Covers List Search Tools

1) **Turtles**

Author Series Stevens, Kathryn, 1954-
Pet care
Caring for My Pets
Pet care for kids
490L
English

Audience Language

On Shelf

- [Filters and Formats documentation](#) includes information on this in the last section titled “Keyword search facets”
- Feature not currently live – planning to launch in February
 - Starting small and can expand functionality as we go
 - Consider volunteering to adopt the Search Interpreter early

Library of Congress Announcement

VOCABULARIES UPDATE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Library of Congress Announcement

Effective February 2, 2026, the Library of Congress will cease adding form subdivisions (\$v) to the end of LC subject heading strings and expand its use of LCGFT headings. [Click here](#) for the full announcement under News.

What does this mean for SWAN?

Would not greatly impact online catalog

Aspen uses mainly the 006 and LitF Leader field determine literary form

Audience is determined by Item Cat 2 or 999z

Users can rely on the Facets to narrow searches

Easy clean up of the database

<https://swanlibraries.net/documentation/95044>

MARC Listener changes

- Many duplicates
 - Especially AV
 - 886 Bib Merge Tickets
- Adding match points of 001 & 035
- Testing Libraries
 - ADD, TPS, VPD
 - Non-Cat Library GVD
- Want to test? Let me know!

89x Fields

Local Series Headings:

896 – personal name

897 – corporate name

898 – meeting name

899 – uniform title

- Can be used as an alternative to 690 fields
- Should be used instead of 830 fields
 - Protected field – will not be deleted if bib record is overlaid
- Thank you to our current testers:
 - [Addison Public Library](#)
 - [Downers Grove Public Library](#)
 - [Messenger Public Library](#)

89x Fields Overview

- Use the OCLC guidelines for formatting these fields
 - [896 – personal name](#)
 - [897 – corporate name](#)
 - [898 – meeting name](#)
 - [899 – uniform title](#)
- Aspen will create a series page using the content of these fields

897 Field Examples

Most libraries will use the 897 field using their library name in the subfield “a”

- Generic catch all – subfields “a” and “t”
 - 897 2_ Oak Park Public Library.|tOak Park Creates.
- Sub-categories of larger collection – subfields “a,” “t,” and “p”
 - 897 2_ Glen Ellyn Public Library.|tLibrary of Things.|pEquipment.
 - 897 2_ Glen Ellyn Public Library.|tLibrary of Things.|pAmerican Girl Dolls.
- Same collection name but different departments – subfields “a,” “b,” and “t”
 - 897 2_ Bloomingdale Public Library.|bKids.|tBoard games.
 - 897 2_ Bloomingdale Public Library.|bTeen and Adult.|tBoard games.
- Materials from other local groups (non-library) – subfields “a” and “t”
 - 897 2_ Tinley Moraine Genealogists.|tGenealogy collection.

Other 89x Field Information

- 896 – Personal Name
 - Needs more development
 - Subfield “a” not currently used to differentiate collections with same subfield “t”
 - Could be used for collections named after an individual/donor
 - 896 1_ Burton, LeVar.|tStory room collection.
- 898 – Meeting Name
 - Can document the name (subfield “a”), location (subfield “c”), and year (subfield “f”)
 - 898 2_ Rebecca Caudill Young Readers’ Book Award.|f2026.
- 899 – Uniform Title
 - Not recommended unless you include library name or code in subfield “a”
 - 899 _0 OLS Beyond Books.

89x Fields Next Steps

- Other testers?
 - If you want assistance in creating or applying headings to records, please submit a ticket
- 490 field?
 - Does not serve as an access point
 - OCLC states “For unpublished or manuscript material, do not use field 490 since series statements do not apply. Record series-like phrases in field 500.”
 - For local series, should we treat that similarly to unpublished materials since it is not from the publisher?
 - Avoids accidental automatic entry of duplicate 830 field

Online Courses Updates

Acquisition courses added in 2025:
TS400: What is Symphony Acquisitions and **TS401: Symphony Acquisitions Funds and Vendors**

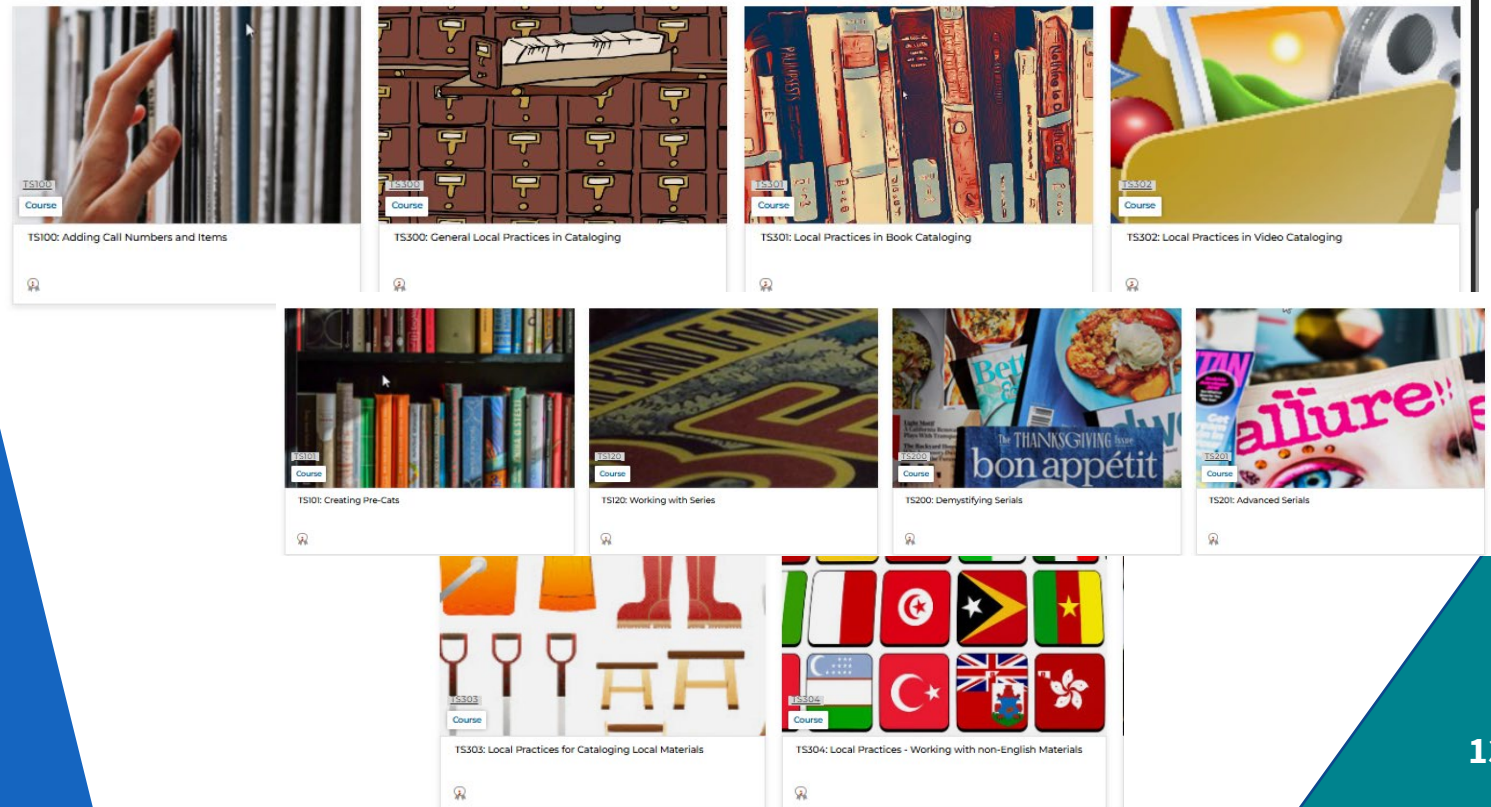
TS402: Creating and Sending Symphony Acquisitions Orders to come out very soon!

Check out our course catalog today!

October 15, 2026

The SWAN annual course review involved many updates!

- All existing cataloging courses had some content changes as well as a revamp
- TS401: Symphony Acquisitions Funds and Vendors included updates for SFTP configuration with Ingram



Documentation Update

- New & Updated tags on support site
 - Status set to last for one (1) week
- Updated since our last meeting:
 - [Documentation on 505](#) field updated to more accurately define formatted vs. unformatted contents notes and how they provide access points
- Question for everyone
 - On our [Local Series Practices](#) page, we list examples of how to format the subfield “v” in multi-volume items. (|v1-3 |v2 & 7 |v 1-2 & 4)
 - For [items](#) where all of the volumes are not sequential, do you have a preference for formatting?
 - |v3, 17, 23, 31
 - |v3, 17, 23 & 31

Open Discussion