

Catapult

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From the Editor

Kia ora koutou,

Hope you've all been keeping fairly warm.

The CatSIG and ORDAC committees still have open positions, perhaps with your name on them? It's a great professional development opportunity and a chance to contribute to the sector.

Mā te wā,
Hazel Loughrey,
Editor



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Info

Catapult is published three times a year in April, August and December).

Previous issues are available on the [Catapult page](#) on the LIANZA website.

CatSIG news

Joanne Rowan

Opportunity: join the CatSIG committee

CatSIG is looking for some new general committee members.

If you are looking for a professional development opportunity, would like to support New Zealand cataloguers and give back to LIANZA please consider volunteering to participate in the CatSIG committee.

We meet via zoom two or 3 times a year with the rest of the business of the committee carried out by email. The main activity is organising professional development opportunities.

Interested? Contact the Committee here: catsigcommittee@gmail.com



Oceania RDA Committee (ORDAC) August '24 update

Bridget Jennings

The [Oceania RDA Committee \(ORDAC\)](#) is excited to see the [National Library implementing official RDA](#)! We will be cheering them on and watching with interest how it goes over the next few months.

In ORDAC membership news, we have been joined by a couple of new ACORD representatives (ACORD is the CatSIG equivalent in Australia), replacing one of the founding ORDAC members who has stepped aside to work on an Official RDA scoping project in Australia.

New LIANZA CatSIG representative(s) on ORDAC needed!

On that note, we need a new CatSIG representative on ORDAC (or two new representatives, since we also can have up to three). This could be you! If you use RDA in your institution and you are interested in how it can be developed to meet your community's needs, then do consider joining me on ORDAC as a CatSIG rep. This is an opportunity to contribute your perspective (the more perspectives the better!), and it is an excellent professional development opportunity. I personally have found that I am a lot more confident in my understanding of the standard, which makes it easier to make decisions about how to adapt to changes being made by other institutions, and processing the implications of adopting new RDA elements.

If you would like to find out more about what is involved then feel free to get in touch with me directly: bridget.jennings@wcc.govt.nz, or contact the CatSIG committee (catsigcommittee@gmail.com) if you are interested in the role.

Oceania RDA Committee (ORDAC) update

Bridget Jennings

RDA Steering Committee meetings & documents

As the CatSIG representative on ORDAC, I have been supporting Charlotte Christiansen in her role as Oceania representative to the RDA Steering Committee (RSC) in preparing for meetings by reading and providing feedback on discussion papers and proposals.

Since the last issue of Catapult, the RSC has met twice, in April and July. The ORDAC proposal on Dual-naming of Corporate Body and Place was discussed at both meetings, and progress is being made. Examples from Oceania and Europe have been submitted to support the options being proposed. I will report back on progress in the next issue. Thank you to those who submitted feedback on this proposal!

Other papers being discussed by the RSC include a paper from the Religions Working Group which is working on internationalisation of the Toolkit, and making the language referencing religions more neutral. The Extent Working Group has also submitted a discussion paper proposing

the reworking and addition of elements to describe extent (including for example extent, duration, dimensions, reduction ratios, image resolution). This is a big piece of work which ORDAC will be digesting and discussing over the next couple of months. In other RSC news, a new Archives Working Group is being established, and the RSC and the RDA Board are jointly setting up a Working Group on Artificial Intelligence. The next RSC meeting will be an in-person meeting in November (venue to be confirmed).

All RSC documents, including meeting minutes, papers and responses to papers can be viewed on the RDA Toolkit website [here](#). Have a look at what is being discussed and let me know if you have any comments. If you have any other comments or feedback about any of the public agenda items for an upcoming RSC meeting, please send them on to ORDAC to incorporate them into our regional response. All comments are welcome – please send directly to: bridget.jennings@wcc.govt.nz.

Items in brief: important updates

From the Dewey blog

- The session recording, slides, and resources list available for the OCLC cataloging community virtual meeting. View [here](#).
- You can now order print copies of Dewey [here](#).

CILIP Cataloguing and Indexing Group

The Annual general meeting is coming up on the 4th September 2024, which will include a talk entitled *Isn't there an App for that? Using PowerApps and AI for Automated Cataloguing and more*. [Register online here](#).

From the OCLC Research blog

- [Advancing IDEAs: Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Accessibility, 6 August 2024](#)
- [Building state-of-the-art library services through collaboration](#)
- [Getting ready for AI](#)
- [The library beyond the library](#)
- [Imagining library futures using AI and machine learning](#)
- [Reimagine descriptive infrastructure: dreaming and enacting change together](#)

ELUNA Learns – 2024 proposals

Eluna learns is accepting proposal submissions until September 1, 2024. [Read more here](#).

Program for cooperative cataloguing (PCC)

- SCS Task Group on Privacy in Name Authority Records - [progress report, June 2024](#)
- Task Group on Strategic Planning for AI and Machine Learning - [Final report, April 2024](#)

Upcoming Events and conferences

SLANZA Conference

School libraries association of New Zealand Aotearoa 2024 Conference

When: 29 September - 02 October 2024

Where: Christ's College, Ōtautahi Christchurch

More info: <https://www.slanzaconference.org/>

The 44th IATUL Conference

International Association of University Libraries 44th Annual Conference

When: 24-28 November 2024

Where: University of Auckland

More info: <https://www.iatul.org/events/upcoming-conference.html>

LIANZA Copyright 101 Webinar

When: 26 September 2024

Where: Online (Microsoft Teams)

More info: <https://lianza.wildapricot.org/widget/event-5815437>

LIANZA Libraries & Information Futures

When: 30 October 2024

Where: Te Puna Mātauranga o Aotearoa National Library, 70 Molesworth
Street, Thorndon, Wellington 6011

More info: <https://lianza.wildapricot.org/widget/event-5829850>

Courses & professional development opportunities

Library juice – Sept

[Microsoft Access for Libraries](#)

[Python for Librarians](#)

[Serials Cataloging](#)

[Introduction to Technical Services in Special Collections](#)

[Authority Control](#)

[XSLT Fundamentals](#)

[Digital Repository Fundamentals and Design](#)

[The SPARQL Fundamentals III](#)

[Transforming and Querying XML with XSLT and XQuery](#)

[Examining Institutional Racism in Libraries](#)

Library juice – Oct

[AI and Libraries, for Skeptics](#)

[Real World Objects: Linked Data in Library Metadata & Cataloging](#)

[Understanding the BIBFRAME Model and Vocabulary](#)

[Introduction to RDF](#)

[Metadata and Description for Digital Special Collections](#)

[Fundamentals of Digital Curation in Libraries, Archives, and Museums](#)

[Using OpenRefine for Library Metadata](#)

[Introduction to Cataloging](#)

Courses & professional development opportunities

Library juice – Nov

[Electronic Resources Cataloging](#)

[Library of Congress Classification](#)

[Controlled Vocabularies and Taxonomies](#)

[Introduction to Rare Materials](#)

[Introduction to Accessibility and Universal Design in Libraries](#)

[RDF, RDFa and Structured Data Vocabularies](#)

Library juice – Dec

[Introduction to Metadata](#)

[Introduction to Linked Data](#)

[Excel for Librarians](#)

[Web Accessibility: Techniques for Design and Testing](#)

[JSON - LD Fundamentals](#)

[Using MarcEdit](#)

Library juice – Jan 2025

[LRM: A New Foundation for RDA & the RDA Toolkit](#)

[The SPARQL Fundamentals: The Semantic Web in Action](#)

[Introduction to Regular Expressions](#)

[Subject Analysis and Subject Representation](#)

Courses & professional development opportunities

ALA eLearning: webinars

\$ Music Cataloging with Library of Congress Classification	9 Sept - 6 Oct 2024
\$ Fundamentals of Metadata 2024 - Session 5.0	23 Sept - 01 Nov 2024
\$ Fundamentals of Digital Library Projects 2024 - Session 5.0	23 Sept - 01 Nov 2024
\$ Fundamentals of Acquisitions 2024 - Session 5.0	30 Sept - 08 Nov 2024
\$ Using and Understanding Library of Congress Classification	07 Oct - 17 Nov 2024
\$ Fundamentals of Preservation 2024 - Session 4.0	07 Oct - 01 Nov 2024
\$ Fundamentals of Cataloging 2024 - Session 6.0	21 Oct - 06 Dec 2024
\$ Using the New RDA Toolkit to Catalog Music	29 Oct - 31 Oct 2024
[Free] Tackling Racism and Bias in the Library Catalog	On-demand

Te reo Māori

No cost

This certificate consists of four parts, all of which are offered at no cost to domestic learners.

[Te Pōkaitahi Reo \(Reo Rua\) \(Te Kaupae 1\) \[New Zealand Certificate in Te Reo \(Bilingual\)\]](#)

Courses & professional development opportunities

Library carpentry

Library carpentry aims to build data and software skills in the library and information sector. Full lessons are available online under a CC BY license, including:

- [Tidy data](#)
- [Introduction to Working with Data \(Regular Expressions\)](#)
- [The UNIX Shell](#)
- [OpenRefine](#)
- [Introduction to Git](#)
- [SQL](#)
- [Introduction to Python](#)
- [Introduction to R](#)
- [MarcEdit](#)
- [Intro to AI for GLAM](#)
- [Data management plans \(DMP\) Course for Librarians](#)

Related publications

Title	Latest issue
Cataloging & Classification Quarterly	Volume 62, Issue 1 (2024)
Cataloguing Lab—Critcatinate	July 2024
The Code4Lib Journal	Issue 58, 2023-12-04
IFLA Journal	Volume 50 Issue 2, June 2024
International Journal of Librarianship	Vol. 9 No. 2 (2024)
ISSN News Newsletter	n° 131 - July-August 2024
Journal of Electronic Resources Librarianship	Volume 36, Issue 2
Journal of Library Metadata	Volume 24, Issue 3 (2024)
Library Resources & Technical Services	Vol 68, No 3 (2024): July
OLAC Newsletter	Volume 44, Issue 1 (2024)
The Serials Librarian	Volume 84, Issue 5-8 (2023)
Technical Services Quarterly	Volume 41, Issue 3 (2024)

Contribute to Catapult

Contribute

Catalogue something interesting? Find a new way of doing things? Want to raise something of conceptual or ethical interest? Catapult is seeking content and would love to hear from you! Contributing to Catapult is a great way to engage with the cataloguing community and share ideas.

[Please email the editor](#) with your idea, article or suggestion.

Feedback

We welcome feedback. If you want to see a new kind of content, have ideas on how we can improve, [please email the editor](#).