Koha Circulation and Patron Management

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Using this Software

- Microphone
- Raising your hand
- Green ✓ / Red X
- Laughing / Clapping
- Stepping out
- Text chat
- Audio
- Full Screen
- Exiting
Today’s Program

• What is a Koha?
• Live Look:
  – Adding a patron
  – Circulating books
  – Working with holds
  – Circulation reports
• Where to find help
• Additional Resources
What is a Koha?

• Where did the name Koha come from?
• Koha is not an acronym, it’s a Maori word
• A Koha is a special kind of gift, most accurately defined as a gift with expectations
• This is one of the reasons why the Koha ILS was licensed with the GPL because of the expectations of reciprocity built in to it
History of Koha

- Developed from 1999-2000 in NZ
- HLT hired a development firm & insisted that they release the software as open source
- First US Public Library goes live in 2003
- Koha 3.0 released in 2008
- First US KohaCon in TX in 2009
- 10th Anniversary & KohaCon in NZ in 2010
- More: koha-community.org/about/history/
Let’s Look

http://intranet.bywatersolutions.com/
Username = bywater Password = bywater
Where to find Koha

- Koha can be downloaded from the official site: [koha-community.org/download-koha/](http://koha-community.org/download-koha/)
- The code can be found at [http://git.koha-community.org](http://git.koha-community.org)
- The bug/enhancement list can be found (and contributed to) at: [http://bugs.koha-community.org](http://bugs.koha-community.org)
Where to find help

- **Koha Manual**: [koha-community.org/documentation/](http://koha-community.org/documentation/)
- **Koha Lists**: [koha-community.org/support/koha-mailing-lists/](http://koha-community.org/support/koha-mailing-lists/)
- **Koha IRC**: [koha-community.org/get-involved/irc/](http://koha-community.org/get-involved/irc/)
- **Paid Support**: [koha-community.org/support/paid-support/](http://koha-community.org/support/paid-support/)
- **Koha Wiki**: [wiki.koha-community.org](http://wiki.koha-community.org)
Additional Resources

- Koha on Social Networks
  - wiki.koha-community.org/wiki/Koha_on_Social_Networks

- Koha Specific Zotero Library
  - www.zotero.org/groups/koha/items

- Koha Newsletter
  - koha-community.org/category/koha-newsletter/

- Free/Libre & OSS & Libraries Bibliography
  - www.zotero.org/groups/freelibre_and_open_source_software_and_libraries_bibliography/items
Thank You

• Koha questions can be directed to:
  – Koha Community: koha-community.org/support/
  – Me: nengard@bywatersolutions.com

• Don’t miss other Lyrasis & Koha workshops:
Thank You for Attending!

Questions?
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