

# Koha Technical Services Management

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# Today's Program

- What is a Koha?
- Live Look:
  - Tech Services Settings
  - Cataloging a new title
  - Adding items to records
  - Working w/ Acquisitions
  - Setting up serials
- Where to find help
- Additional Resources



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# What is Koha?

- Where did the name Koha come from?
- Koha is not an acronym, it's a Maori word (spelled Koha not KOHA)
- 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

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# 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/](http://koha-community.org/about/history/)

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# Let's Look

The screenshot shows the Koha library system interface. At the top, there are navigation links: Circulation, Patrons, Search, Cart, and More. Below this is the Koha logo and a search bar with the text "Search the catalog and the reservoir:". A "Submit" button is next to the search bar. Below the search bar are two buttons: "Cataloging Search" (highlighted in yellow) and "Check Out". A breadcrumb trail shows "Home > Cataloging". In the center, there is a "New Record" dropdown menu with a plus sign icon. The dropdown menu is open, showing a list of options: Default Framework, CD-ROMs, DVD-ROMs, General Online Resources, Binders, Serials, Short Record, Test, Models, Acquisitions Framework, Books, Booklets, Workbooks (highlighted in blue), Audio Cassettes, CDs, DVDs, VHS, Fast Add Framework, and Kits. To the right of the dropdown menu is a "Z39.50 Search" button with a magnifying glass icon.

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# 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>
- The bug/enhancement list can be found (and contributed to) at: [bugs.koha-community.org](http://bugs.koha-community.org)

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# 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)

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# Additional Resources

- Free/Libre & OSS & Libraries Bibliography
  - [zotero.org/groups/freelibre and open source software and libraries bibliography/items](https://zotero.org/groups/freelibre_and_open_source_software_and_libraries_bibliography/items)
- Koha Newsletter
  - [koha-community.org/category/koha-newsletter/](https://koha-community.org/category/koha-newsletter/)
- Koha on Social Networks
  - [wiki.koha-community.org/wiki/Koha on Social Networks](https://wiki.koha-community.org/wiki/Koha_on_Social_Networks)
- Koha Specific Zotero Library
  - [zotero.org/groups/koha/items](https://zotero.org/groups/koha/items)

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# Thank You

- Koha questions can be directed to:
  - Koha Community: [koha-community.org/support/](http://koha-community.org/support/)
  - Me: [nengard@bywatersolutions.com](mailto:nengard@bywatersolutions.com)
- Don't miss other NEFLIN & Koha workshops:
  - [neflin.org/registration.php](http://neflin.org/registration.php)

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