VuFind Update

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Why VuFind 2014?

1. Fix usability issues that couldn't be fixed easily in older version
   1. Make browsing easier
   2. Remove duplicate bibs (from search results not the catalog)
   3. Simplify searching
   4. Improve display of search results for patrons that do not go to full record page

2. Modernize mobile version to better serve patrons

3. Improve underlying code to make it easier to maintain and lay the foundation for future development.

Creating VuFind 2014

- Advisory task force that met every couple of weeks from Dec 2013 – March 2014
  - Composed of representatives from Public Libraries, Academics, and schools
  - Also included staff from Nashville Public Library and Wake County Library
  - Discussed functionality, usability, and design

- Hired a graphic designer to improve the overall design of VuFind at Marmot

- Additional Usability Studies to confirm that changes make sense to users.

VuFind 2014 Quick Tour

[Bud Werner Video](#)

- Home page browse categories

- Record Grouping in search results

- Full Records

MUG 2013 Recap – What's Next

☑ Full integration with OverDrive APIs (no more screen scraping)

☐ Sierra integration using the database to load account information instead of screenscraping

☑ Sierra APIs as soon as it's available

☑ Responsive theme for improved mobile experience (phones and tablets) with more control for local libraries to control the display.

☑ Grouping of titles within search results, with grouped titles being used for ratings, reviews, etc.

☐ Better reporting (custom reports)

☐ Authority record integration

☐ New eContent sources? Baker and Taylor, Axis 360, One Click digital.

What's Left in 2014?

- Continued Refinement of VuFind 2014

- Bring remaining libraries onto VuFind 2014 (plus Buena Vista)

- Bring new Discovery Members onto VuFind 2014

- Integration of additional eContent sources
  - eVoke
  - EBSCO EDS
  - OneClick Digital

2015 Backlog - APIs

Patron Account APIs from Sierra

Additional eContent sources with APIs as available

- Baker & Taylor Axis 360

- Hoopla

- 3M

- Freegal

- Zinio

- etc

2015 Backlog- Personalization

- Search functionality (advanced or basic by default)

- Formats I use

- Formats I don't use

- Preferred subjects

- Favorite Authors

- Additional enhancements for recommendations

- Covers/No Covers

2015 Backlog – Digital Resources

- Integration of content in Digital Repository within VuFind

- Access/stream content within VuFind

- Will be guided by Digital Repository Task force

2015 Backlog – Locally Curated Content

- Library Guided Programming - curriculum based for schools & academics, event or subject based for everyone

- Index events both library and community within VuFind so they can be found easily

- Link events to related titles (and titles to related events)

- Provide more information about authors & artists, especially local

- Evolve into an ecosystem of content where content exists in context with a degree of user interaction that makes sense for each institution

2015 Backlog– Serve the long tail of content

- Help users to discover hidden gems in the catalog

- Help users make more of databases and other content the library purchases that isn't in the catalog

Setting Priorities

- Discovery Committee will help set priorities for what actually happens in 2015

- Committee meets the first Tuesday of every month at 1:00. We encourage every member to have at least one member on the committee.