

LIBRARY AUTOMATION Made Easy with Koha Integrated Library System

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Introduction

----- What is Koha?

Koha is an Integrated Library Management Software (ILMS).

ILMS, LMS or ILS are abbreviations used interchangeably to mean a system in which "all library operations such as acquisitions, circulation, cataloguing, serial control, budgeting and OPAC are processed against a single master bibliographic database." Koha is the first open source (free) Integrated Library System (ILS), and it is used all over the world by different libraries

Koha ILS was created by Katipo Communications for the Horowhenua Library Trust in New Zealand in 1999

Koha facilitates easy, quick and convenient access to library information resources.

Learn more: www.koha-community.org

Benefits of Koha

- ✓ CENTRALIZED SYSTEM OF LIBRARY ROUTINE
- ✓ SECURITY OF RESOURCES
- GOOD DATA DOCUMENTATION
- UNIFIED CATALOGUING AND CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM (TAKING REFERENCES FROM OTHER LIBRARIES IN THE PACKAGE)

✓ SAVES THE TIME OF THE LIBRARIAN DURING THEIR WORK AND THE USER SEARCHING FOR INFORMATION RESOURCES

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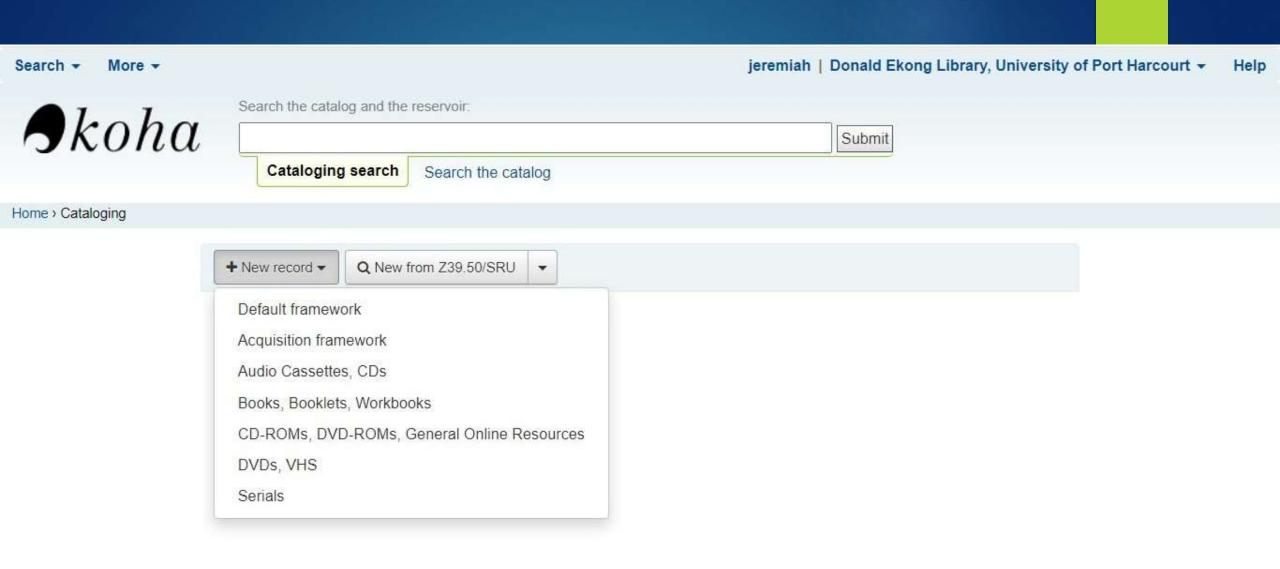
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