RDA 101: Profile and Update

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RDA – The What

• New cataloging rules
• Built on several principles
  ✓ Cataloging tradition
  ✓ New perspective on catalogs and library data
  ✓ Computer as conduit between catalogers and library users
  ✓ Library data as Web-friendly data
RDA – The What

What’s the Same?

• We still build and use bibliographic and authority records in MARC
• Most of the RDA rules are the same as AACR2
• We still use headings for names, titles, subjects, genres/forms
RDA – The What

What’s Different?

• No more GMDs (245 $h)

Title: Minority report [videorecording] / Dreamworks Pictures and Twentieth Century Fox present …
What’s Different?

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Title: Minority report / Dreamworks Pictures and Twentieth Century Fox present …
Description: 2 DVDs (146 min.) : sound, color ; 4 3/4 in.
Class of Material: Video
Format: Videodisc
RDA – The What

What’s Different?

• Fewer cataloging abbreviations and shortcuts

Edition: 2nd rev. ed.
RDA – The What

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Description: xvi, 134 pages, 8 unnumbered leaves of plates: illustrations, portraits; 28 cm
RDA – The What

What’s Different?

• Overall, fuller looking records
History of the Internet: a chronology, 1843 to the present / Christos J.P. Moschovitis ... [et al.].

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Caption on page iii:
First Edition

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RDA – The When

RDA Implementation

• Library of Congress: March 31, 2013
• All other libraries set their own dates
• For libraries responsible for creating/editing authority records: March 31, 2013

✓ Around 400,000 authority records “flipping” to RDA in March 2013
RDA – The When

RDA Implementation

• Several libraries already using RDA
  ✓ Over 101,000 records in OCLC’s WorldCat
  ✓ Over 10,000 record in LC’s own catalog

• OCLC will continue to accept AACR2 bibliographic records
RDA – The When

RDA Implementation

• RDA authority records already being made

✓ Over 80,000 records in LC’s Authority File

• NACO libraries undergoing training to create new and revise ("flip") old records to RDA standard
RDA – The Who

Who’s Affected?

• Catalogers and cataloging
  ✓ New guidelines and practices
  ✓ Translation into MARC
RDA – The Who

Who’s Affected?

- IT staff and catalog systems
  - ILS vendor updates
  - Indexing and display
- Reference staff
  - OPAC interfaces
  - Look of records will differ
RDA – The Who

Who’s Affected?

• Administrators
  ✓ Local RDA policies
  ✓ Staff time and budget for training
  ✓ Adjustment period
  ✓ Access to RDA itself

• Catalog users
RDA – The Why

• RDA is part of a larger puzzle
  ✓ Create computer-friendly data
  ✓ Create Web-friendly data
  ✓ Linked data
  ✓ Cut costs of describing library materials
RDA Update

RDA Revisions

• RDA still a beta product
• Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA reviewing proposals
• Various cataloging communities developing best practices
• Focus is on March 31, 2013
RDA Update

RDA Training

• Informational webinars by ALCTS (most free)
  ✅ z.umn.edu/rdaalcts

• Special training for specific institutions (NACO, CONSER, etc.)

• Training by Minitex and others
RDA Update

MARC Changes

• Most new fields, subfields, codes now available; more may trickle out

• More talk about a post-MARC encoding standard (Bibliographic Framework Transition Initiative)

• MARBI ➔ ALCTS/LITA Metadata Standards Committee (MSC)
RDA Update

Online Documentation

• Sparse at this time
• MARC (LC and OCLC’s BF&S)
  ✓ www.loc.gov/marc/
  ✓ www.oclc.org/bibformats/en/
• Library of Congress
  ✓ www.loc.gov/aba/rdarda/
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Online Documentation

• NCSU
  ✔ z.umn.edu/rdancsu

• Stanford University
  ✔ z.umn.edu/rdastanford

• Minitex
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