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Day 1 / Wednesday / September 20: Presentations

8:00 AM	Registration, refreshments, networking
	Opening remarks
8:30 AM	**Keynote: Live Free and Open Source: Innovation and Collaboration with Koha in the Granite State**
	New Hampshire's Assistant State Librarian Mindy Atwood will speak about her more than 10 years of working with Koha. From automating a small rural library in New Hampshire to learning how Koha functions for the New Hampshire State Library, this presentation will highlight the ways that Koha promotes innovation and collaboration within the library community. In addition, Mindy will ask listeners to think about the ways in which working in an open source environment positions us all to be leaders in the broader library profession.
	Mindy Atwood (New Hampshire State Library)
9:30 AM	**Put Data Where Your Staff Is**
	Simple cosmetic changes to Koha using CSS and jQuery can help give staff the information they need in the places they're already looking.
	Andrew Fuerste-Henry (Dubuque County Library)
	Nick Clemens (ByWater Solutions)
10:00 AM	Break
10:15 PM	**Explore the Possibilities of QR Codes**
	Learn about Koha's handy QR code feature on an item record, and how to connect patrons to answers faster with QR codes.
	Christopher Brannon (Coeur d'Alene Public Library / CIN)
10:45 AM	**Designing a User Driven Experience**
	Explore McKinney Public Library's highly customized self-checkout interface built on Koha!
	Kellie Stephens (McKinney Public Library)
11:45 AM	Lunch – On Your Own

3:00 PM	**Circulation SIG discussion / Acquisitions SIG**
4:00 PM	**Cataloging SIG discussion / Possible Christopher presentation**
	Heather Hernandez / Sarah Cornell

Day 4 / Saturday / September 23: Workshops

8:00 AM	Registration, refreshments, networking
8:30 AM	**Elasticsearch Updates**
	Nick Clemens (ByWater Solutions)
	Fred King (MedStar Washington Hospital)
9:30 AM	**Using Koha & MarcEdit to Help Standardize Your Records**
	Show how to set up frameworks, system preferences, and authorized values in Koha to modify/create records with standard data that is specific to an individual format. If time allows, show some MarcEdit tips to standardize local MARC data for existing records.
	Lauren Denny (SIL International)
10:30 AM	Break
10:45 AM	**Sys Admin & Web Dev SIG discussion / Consortia SIG**
11:45 AM	Wrap-up
12:00 PM	**Self-Directed Bug Squashing**

Day 3 / Friday / September 22: Workshops

Time	Session
8:00 AM	Registration, refreshments, networking
8:30 AM	**How To Get the Most Out of the Koha ERM Module** The ERM brings flexible management for electronic resources in Koha. Within the ERM, a library can create agreements, upload and add licenses, and attach documents. These are linked to Vendors within the Acquisitions module. In this presentation Kelly and Jessie will show you how to get the most out of the Koha ERM. *Jessie Zairo, Kelly McElligott (ByWater Solutions)*
9:30 AM	**MedStar Authors' Catalog Revisited: Using Koha to Build a Catalog of Publications** The MedStar Authors' Catalog was first designed around 2015, and Fred first presented it at koha-US in 2016. Since then, Koha has changed and Fred has learned more about how Koha is put together. Earlier this year, Fred redesigned the Authors' Catalog, and this presentation will detail the steps he took for the revision. *Fred King (MedStar Washington Hospital)*
10:30 AM	Break
10:45 AM	**koha-US General Meeting** Join us for our monthly user group meeting. This month, we hope to include highlights from KohaCon23. *Christopher Brannon (koha-US President, 2023)*
11:45 AM	Lunch – On Your Own
1:00 PM	**Library At Home with Koha** How Round Rock Public Library uses Koha for a successful Library At Home delivery service. *Carol Farley, Sal Saldana, and Rhonda Kuiper (Round Rock Library)*
2:00 PM	**Koha and Item Type Identification and Clean Up** Do you have incomplete or incorrect bibliographic records? Our consortium recently completed an Item Type project to standardize the records in our consortium as well as update the RDA information. I will show an overview of the steps we did both at the local library level and the consortium administrative level. My second session will walk you through each step talked about in this presentation. *Lauren Denny (SIL International)*

Time	Session
1:00 PM	**Ad Astra per Aspera: Koha Administration in Kansas** Kansas is currently home to four Koha consortia with varying administrative structures. Explore what's possible in Koha administration with the managers of the KanShare, Next Search Catalog, Pathfinder Central, and SEKnFind consortia as they share similarities and differences in approach. *Jason Robb (SEKLS)* *Michael Adamyk (CKLS)* *George Williams (NEKLS)* *Eric Gustafson (Derby PL/KanShare)*
2:00 PM	**What is Possible with Acquisitions?** Ways your library can benefit from using Acquisitions. *Rhonda Kuiper (Round Rock Public Library)*
3:00 PM	Break
3:15 PM	**Developing Development** Learn about Koha's development/enhancement process, where development fits in the structure of Koha-US (and ByWater), as well as, learn strategies to become active in the enhancement of Koha both through idea sharing and funding opportunities. *Wally DesChamps (Prosper Community Library)* *Bob Bennhoff (Colorado Library Consortium)* *Nick Clemens (ByWater Solutions)*
4:15 PM	**Kidding Around: Enhancing OPAC UX for Young Users with the Children's Theme Plugin** Demonstration of the Children's OPAC Theme plugin including configuration, custom JS/CSS and graphics. *Barbara Glassford Johnson (Bedford Public Library)* *Jason Robb (Southeast Kansas Library System)*
4:45 PM	Wrap-up

Day 2 / Thursday / September 21: Presentations

Time	Session
8:00 AM	Registration, refreshments, networking
8:30 AM	**Creating Web Pages in Koha** Koha now has an easy way to create custom pages in the OPAC and in the staff interface. This opens unlimited possibilities for a custom web pages highlighting library collections, research, events tutorials and information for staff. In this presentation Lucas, Kelly and Jessie will show you how to create web pages in the OPAC and staff interface in Koha. ***Jessie Zairo, Kelly McElligott, and Lucas Gass (ByWater Solutions)***
9:30 AM	**For the Hopelessly Checked-Out: Batch Check-ins** Does your library have items that have been checked out for years? How do you remove these from Koha when there is no batch check-in feature? With a Koha hack of course! I will demonstrate a method for batch checking-in items using only reports and tools. ***Madge Bolt (Massasoit Community College)***
10:00 AM	Break
10:15 AM	**The Possibilities of Notices – The Every-Other-Thursday Training Video Live!** Explore the nuts and bolts of Koha notices, how they work, and things you can do. ***Christopher Brannon (Coeur d'Alene Public Library / CIN)*** ***George Williams (NEKLS)***
10:45 AM	**Coffee and SIGs Panel** ***Moderated by Bob Bennhoff***
11:15 AM	**Exploring Devices (Chromebooks/Rokus/Hotspots)** We'll explore the possibilities with the devices you loan to patrons, such as Chromebooks, Rokus, and hotspots. I'll show how our library made use of these devices for patrons, and the reports and statuses we use to manage deactivation and reactivation of devices that are overdue. ***Christopher Brannon (Coeur d'Alene Public Library / CIN)***
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Time	Session
1:00 PM	**Ditching the Plastic for Digital Library Cards** The library officially went to digital library cards on 1/6/2023 as our preferred library card. What way to start the New Year! This reduces our plastic waste, provides a technology-based storage option, and cuts down on patron registration steps for new or replacement library cards. ***David Daghita, Kellie Stephens (McKinney Public Library)***
1:30 PM	**Circulation Work Flows** Circulation workflows: How it all works ***Georgette Rogers (Liberty Lake Municipal Library)***
2:30 PM	Break
2:45 PM	**Building a Consortium with Koha – Adventures in VOKAL, the First Shared ILS in Vermont** A small team set a goal to launch the first shared ILS in Vermont, and in 2009 the wheels began to roll with the anticipation of the release of Koha 3.2. Original members of that VOKAL Implementation Team share their story of building the VOKAL consortium, and how the power of open source and keeping a sense of humor has allowed VOKAL to grow to 66 libraries in 2023. ***Wendy Hysko, Richard Pritsky, and Kim Peine (VOKAL)***
3:45 PM	**Explore Inventory: Present and Future Possibilities** For libraries, doing inventory is like flossing teeth. No one does it for fun, but it's essential for the health of the parts and the whole. Join me for a brief overview of how inventory works in Koha, including the hacks and plugins libraries use, and a discussion of the community vision for better inventory and innovations that are currently in the works. ***Valerie Burnett (ByWater Solutions)***
4:15 PM	**Open Source Solutions for Prison Libraries** There is now library system designed for the prison library environment. Thanks to the flexibility of open source softwares like Koha and Aspen Discovery, the AspenCat team has been able to help design a better system for Colorado's Department of Corrections libraries, with more customization through development to come. ***Bob Bennhoff (Colorado Library Consortium)***
4:45 PM	Wrap-up