## see for yourself

### In Horowhenua, New Zealand

The original Koha is running at the Horowhenua Library Trust's sites in Levin, Foxton and Shannon. The team is happy to demonstrate the system in production if you're in Levin at any time.

### Online

At **www.koha.org** there are links to the Horowhenua OPAC (Online Public Access Catalogue) and a demonstration database. Please visit, read up about the project, and have a tour.

### At a library near you

There are koha libraries springing up all over the world. Check the koha website to see if there is one near you.

### At your place

If you have a spare server, you're encouraged to download Koha and test drive it. People from as far afield as Australia, USA, Canada, Estonia, India, Nigeria and Poland have installed Koha.

*koha: a gift, donation or contribution*

## interested? what next?

### Install Koha yourself

Visit **www.koha.org**. It is absolutely FREE to download, install and customise the software yourself.

### Let us install it for you

The Katipo team is available to consult to libraries in whatever capacity is needed. Visit www.koha.org/support/ for other vendors near you who are keen to help.

### Join the community

You're invited to join the Koha mailing list, www.koha.org/mailing/, where we announce new versions and improvements, and where users and developers support each other.

### Make a difference

We want Koha to be the best library system available, and encourage you to participate in the development process. There is no fee for using Koha, but we hope you will contribute your time, ideas, enthusiasm and code, or even sponsor a new feature.

### Sponsor a new feature

If you have some budget, and some key requirements that Koha currently doesn't meet, please consider a Koha tender to get the work done. Our developers are very enthusiastic (and very reasonable) so you are sure to get more than you pay for.

### Report Bugs

Help out the quality assurance of the project by reporting bugs to bugs.koha.org.

## features & specs

### Features
- Circulation: issues (including rentals), renewals, returns and fines. Uses barcode scanners or keyboard
- Can generate a list of overdues for a phone reminder system
- Acquisitions: multiple book budgets and suppliers, real time budget information
- Catalogue updates fast and slick
- Searching by keyword, author, title, subject, class number or combinations, customise to suit your need.
- Memberships - one-stop-shop with all member info on one page
- Reserves
- OPAC in the library or via the Internet
- Do-it-yourself reserves, in the Library or via the Internet
- Stock rotation through branch libraries

### Coming soon
- Z39.50 searching
- MARC Records
- Virtual Bookshelves
- French and German versions
- NCIP self checking

### Waiting for a sponsor
- Maori translation
- Port to other operating systems so that it will run natively
- Translation to other languages
- New themes
- Additional book information (e.g. covers)
- Web based reports
- Mozilla chromed OPAC
- Integration with Greenstone digital library system
- Integrate with internet "gateway" system and bill to patron card
- Printing spine labels

### Specifications
- Currently being run on Linux, Apache and MySQL.
- Any Unix and Apache system with Perl and a DBI database should be OK, but may require manual adjustments
- Web OPAC
- Web interface for staff
- Text or web interface for Issues Desk (issues and returns, fines etc)
- Branches access main server via ordinary phone lines and modems
- Can run on pc grade or server grade hardware.

# need a new system?

**Do you want a library system that's**

- free to download, no licence fees
- fast
- internet based
- fully customisable
- environmentally friendly (you can recycle those old PCs)
- establishing an international community of users and developers
- giving you the freedom to do it yourself, or work directly with the system builders
- generating an international spirit of co-operation and collaboration
- winning awards
- not going to cost you your book budget (now or ever!)
- happy to train your staff
- fully vendor supported, or no strings attached, whichever suits you

*koha could be for you!*

# the fine print

Koha is the world's first open source library management system. It is available under the GNU public license. Anyone can download it and run it on their machine without paying a cent to Katipo Communications Ltd, who wrote it, or Horowhenua Library Trust, who commissioned it.

Because it uses development tools which are also free (Linux, MySQL, Perl and Apache) you don't have to pay for a user licence. Ever!

# why is koha free?

When the Trust decided to have software written, Katipo recommended the open source approach as a risk management tool. Word of mouth markets open-source systems, and the users support each other. The more libraries using and working on Koha, the better it becomes. We've found this to be true and hope you can become part of the koha family.
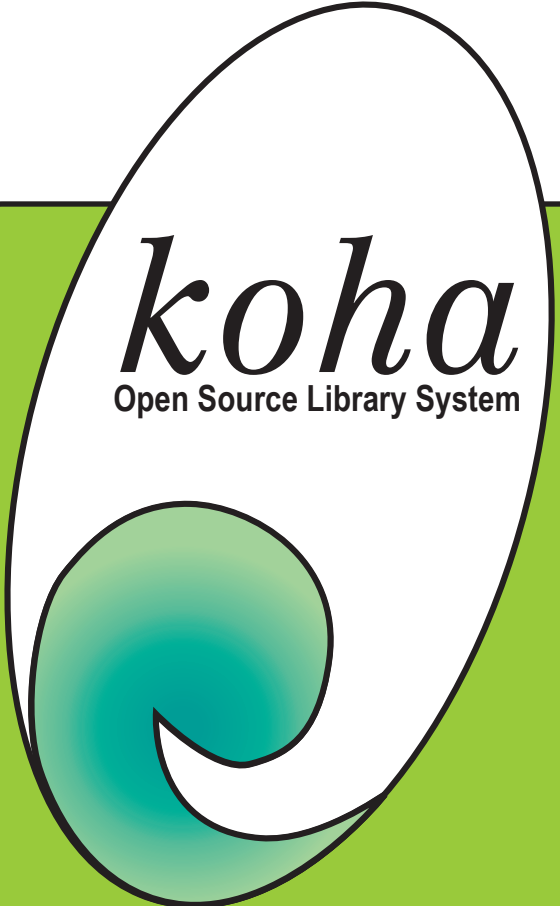
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