

## Update to Arthur Directors and the Arthur Public Services Committee. Nina Stawski 03/10/2011.

As the Arthur Directors have the goal of having the All Arthur catalog go live in early summer, the Arthur Public Services committee has been trying to expedite the redesign of the catalog. Jessica Hammond has been very busy with cluster redesigns generally. In order to move our catalog along and make sure that Jessica has ample time to work on our catalog, we started sending her a long list of changes as soon as our last meeting ended, but before the meeting minutes were officially approved, as we did not want to waste a month of time between the APS meeting in February and the Directors meeting in March with no accomplishments. Also, as we have learned more about the catalog redesign and Jessica has answered our questions, her responses to us then dictated where logical changes needed to be made. So there has been a continuous series of tweaks to the catalog since the last meeting and this memo is meant to both update the Directors and assist them to focus on the more important changes on their plate listed below—not the myriad of little changes that have occurred.

Logo update: Arthur Public Services has spun off a small subcommittee at this point to work with the MCO office. A copy of the guidelines that the Directors had for the logo was sent to Justin. A meeting will be scheduled for the week of March 14th. The graphics designer may have mockups ready to show at that meeting. As the meeting has not been set yet it is unclear whether there will be anything to report to the Directors by Friday the 18th or not. Lucia D'Agostino and I will keep the committees informed.

Survey update: At this point the only action that has been taken is to gauge the interest of those APS members who would be interested in working on the survey design using Survey Monkey. Those members who expressed interest, Jill and Kat, had prior experience and were eager to work on the survey. As the All Arthur catalog nears a workable draft form on the staging site then the survey will be developed. There is no point in bringing forth a survey at this time until the elements of both appearance and functionality are more clearly set. It is not until the logo is agreed upon that the theme, color scheme, and spacing of the elements will be settled enough for others to comment on those elements in a survey, and likewise, until the Arthur Directors make the necessary decisions about certain elements that will affect the way the catalog functions, there is no point crafting questions about functionality until we know how the catalog will be set up and how it will consistently respond.

In a status report to the Arthur Public Services Committee this week these are the changes that Jessica sent to us to let us know what she is currently working on:

- Suppress the "request" link for ebooks
- Enable Search Results in Right Results Headings and Page Title
- Enable the search tool plugin
- Adjust the alignment of the MOBIUS logo
- Look at the way the MOBIUS logo and the search history interact
- Make changes to the "more" link on the search results page
- Create a "Search MOBIUS" button/icon
- Add the texting feature to the search results page

Additionally, the search default should be "All Arthur Collections" not Lincoln.

There is crowding of the location code boxes in "My Library Account" and at the login page when requesting books. The APS committee is working to resolve this now.

### Particular items for the Directors consideration:

The small Resource box next to the search option box could be eliminated or moved. The APS committee is inclined to do away with it. There will be other "Search MOBIUS" links/buttons provided and it also works to click on the MOBIUS icon to connect to the MOBIUS catalog.

The "Other Resources" link going to Pathfinder Pro needs to be eliminated?

The FAQ button is a broken link right now. Should the link be suppressed until the Arthur Public Services committee can edit the FAQ to match the new redesigned catalog down the road? There probably won't be time to deal with the FAQ anytime soon.

### Unscoped/scoped decisions from Jessica:

These are perhaps the most important decisions for the Directors as they affect not just the "All Arthur" catalog redesign but will affect individual library's scoped Arthur catalogs. The list below was sent by Jessica to the APS committee and we were not comfortable answering them. The ones that seem the most urgent are the last set of questions where these features have been enabled by default by the WebPAC Pro software and the Directors may not wish to have some of these features for either the All Arthur catalog or the scoped catalogs. I believe that Jessica told us that decisions about these features would be across the board for the scoped and unscoped catalogs. So, for example, if you don't want patrons being able to change their e-mail address, or if you decide as a committee that patrons should/should not be able to change more personal contact information than just their e-mail addresses, or you do not want patrons to be able to change their hold locations, these are decisions that the Arthur Directors need to make. As only Jessica can provide more expert information about these changes you should contact her at 573 234-6191 or [Jessica@mobiusconsortium.org](mailto:Jessica@mobiusconsortium.org) if you have further questions about the issues she outlined below.

Additionally, I have a few questions for you to consider at your next meeting:

- Currently, on your scoped main pages (i.e. <http://arthur.mobius.umsystem.edu/search~S2>), you have links to the Arthur catalog, the MOBIUS catalog, and your library's catalog. Some scopes also include a link to their own scoped catalog. Where would you like to include those links in the redesigned scoped main pages? (i.e. <http://arthur.mobius.umsystem.edu:2082/search~S2>)
- Your current WebPAC uses the Arthur logo in the top logo for all the scoped catalogs. (Again, see <http://arthur.mobius.umsystem.edu/search~S2> for an example.) Do you want to do that in the redesign as well?
- The new redesign offers several features that you're not currently using. I'll list the features, as well as the relevant manual page so you can find out more about them. I can enable any of these that you're interested in.
  - Customizing the renewal messages (Page # 107136)
  - Freezing holds (Page #107000)
  - Allow patrons to choose their method for receiving notices (Page #106850)
  - Reading History (Page #106953)
  - Patron Material Ratings (Page #107054)
  - Community Reviews (Page #106843)
- These features are activated by default in the new example set, but they're new to you, and if you'd like to disable them, I can:
  - A resource table on the search results and bib display pages (Page # 106891)
  - My Lists feature (Page #107422)
  - Allow patrons to changing their hold locations for items not in transit (Page #106850)
  - Allow patrons to modify their information online (e.g. email address, phone number, etc.) (By default, patrons can only modify their email address. I can set this so they can modify more, or I can set it so they can't modify anything.) (Page #106850)