Search Voilà, the group catalogue for Canadian libraries

What is Voilà?

Voilà is a free catalogue listing the holdings of libraries across Canada or worldwide. As a national catalogue, Voilà not only shows the published materials held at Library and Archives Canada (LAC), but also those located in libraries across Canada.

Voilà contains over 35 million records for books, magazines, newspapers, government documents, theses, sound recordings, maps and electronic texts, as well as items in braille and large print. Voilà is based on OCLC WorldCat Discovery, which is a cloud-based application that helps people easily find resources through a single search of WorldCat and authoritative e-content collections.

Training

- Search in Voilà:
  - Recorded training in English
  - Recorded training in French

Documentation

Search documentation links:

- Search and use query syntax
- Filter and refine search results
- Use the Advanced Search screen
- Search the Central Index and Remote Databases in WorldCat Discovery
- FirstSearch and WorldCat Discovery index differences

Related links

- Voilà, Canada’s Catalogue
- Aurora, BAC-LAC Catalogue
Request Z39.50 access to Voilà for Interlibrary Loan

- English request form
- French request form

Use CatExpress for cataloging

Learn to use OCLC's CatExpress interface to perform copy cataloging activities such as searching, maintaining holdings, exporting and downloading records.

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Additional resources

- Questions and answers for Canadian libraries in light of LAC’s contract with OCLC