

News Release



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Markham Public Libraries get HIP!

We've upgraded our catalogue software to Horizon Information Portal (HIP), a fully web-browser enabled online catalogue. You'll notice a new look and feel to our catalogue with several improvements.

- Fast!**
- ✔ less delay as you wait for the catalogue interface to load
 - ✔ less time spent navigating menus
- Easy to Use!**
- ✔ highly functional, intuitive use
 - ✔ uncluttered displays
- Compatible!**
- ✔ No more problems for Windows XP users, as there are no Java requirements
 - ✔ works with all current browsers
 - ✔ no longer blocked by users' firewalls
- New Features!**
- ✔ powerful sorting and filtering capabilities
 - ✔ create and email booklists
 - ✔ imbedded links for direct Internet access to web resources and our online databases
 - ✔ same graphical interface whether searching from within the library or from an internet connection (we look the same – wherever you are!)
 - ✔ “personal portal” allows you to easily access your account or search history
 - ✔ log in once and reserve material without re-entering your library card number
 - ✔ change your own PIN (staff intervention no longer required)
 - ✔ place copy specific holds
 - ✔ capability to temporarily de-activate holds (no more expired holds while away on vacation)

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