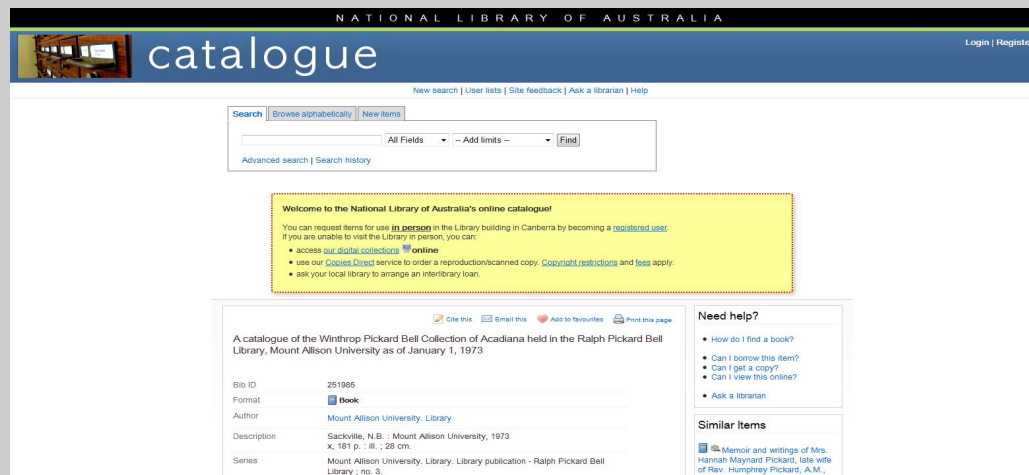


Home Page



Logo



URL

http://catalogue.nla.gov.au/

Subject

National Library of Australia -- Catalogs.

Accessibility

Partially free

Language

English

Publisher

National Library of Australia

Scope and Coverage

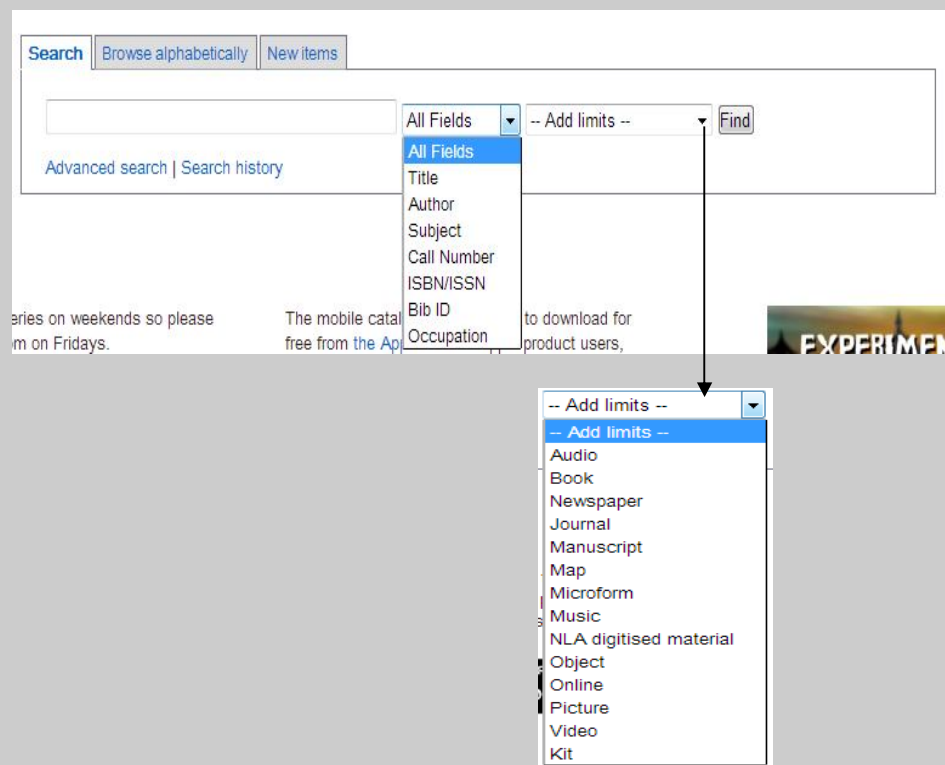
The **National Library of Australia** is the largest reference library of Australia, responsible under the terms of the *National Library Act* for "maintaining and developing a national collection of library material, including a comprehensive collection of library material relating to Australia and the Australian people."

In 2012–2013 the Library collection comprised 6,496,772 items, with an estimated additional 2,325,900 items held in the manuscripts collection. The Library's collections of Australiana have developed into the nation's single most important resource of materials recording the Australian cultural heritage. Australian writers, editors and illustrators are

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Kind of Information

At the home page of the catalog, there is a search bar. One can search the collection by choosing the field (Title, Author, Subject, Call Number, ISBN/ISSN, Bib ID, and Occupation) from the list. There is also an option to add limits to the search results by choosing the material types. There is a pull down menu under the heading “Add limits” with the options like Audio, Book, Newspaper, Journal, Manuscript, Map, Microform, Music, NLA digitized material, Object, Online, Picture, Video, Kit. The following screen shot is an example of this search process:



Advanced Search

In advanced search process users can moderate their search queries by different ways, like can putting maximum four search terms and can attach these by Boolean queries; there is an option to choose one specific bibliographic field from top down menu.

Advanced Search

Search For

Find:	<input type="text"/>	all of these	in	All Fields
AND	<input type="text"/>	any of these	in	All Fields
AND	<input type="text"/>	any of these	in	All Fields
AND	<input type="text"/>	any of these	in	All Fields

Limit To

Format:	-- Add limits --
Language:	<input type="text"/> (start typing to see options)
Date published between:	YYYY and YYYY inclusive
<small>For a single year, enter the same year in both boxes. For an open-ended range</small>	
<input type="button" value="Find"/>	

The search queries have produced a list of materials with hyperlinked titles. The search results initially give small range of bibliographic information, like title of the document, author, place of publication, publisher, and year of publication. The titles are hyperlinked with another web page where detail bibliographic information on that document, like Bib ID, format of the document, Author, Description (place of publication, publisher, year of publication, physical description), ISBN, Notes, Subjects, Form/genre. The following screen shot is an example of an entry with full bibliographic details:

Fortepian / Jane Campion, Kate Pullinger	
Bib ID	1589561
Format	Book
Author	Campion, Jane
Uniform Title	Piano. Polish
Description	Torun, Poland : C&T, 2000 146 p. ; 21 cm.
ISBN	8387498599
Notes	Translation of: The piano.
Other authors/contributors	Pullinger, Kate
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Special Features

- The Library has digitized over 174,000 items from its collection (the 100,000th being <http://nla.gov.au/nla.pic-vn3409117>) and, where possible, delivers these directly across the Internet. The Library is a world leader in digital preservation techniques, and maintains an Internet-accessible archive of selected Australian websites called the Pandora Archive.
- The Library also maintains the National Reserve Braille Collection.

- The Library houses the largest and most actively developing research resource on Asia in Australia, and the largest Asian language collections (Burmese, Chinese, Persian, Indonesian, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Lao, Manchu, Mongolian, Thai, Timorese, and Vietnamese) in the Southern hemisphere, with over half a million volumes in the collection, as well as extensive online and electronic resources. The Asian Collections are searchable via the National Library's catalogue.
- The mobile catalogue is available to download for free from the App Store for Apple product users, and Google Play for Android users.

***Arrangement
Pattern***

By default the search result are arranged by relevance. One can also sort the result by date of publication (from oldest to newest and vice versa), author's name (alphabetically from A to Z and vice versa), title of the material (alphabetically from A to Z and vice versa) etc.

Remarks

The National Library of Australia provides a national leadership role in developing and managing collaborative online services with the Australian library community, making it easier for users to find and access information resources at the national level. To fulfill this it maintains a catalogue of the resources in its own collection which are available to the general public.

Comparable Tools

- Explore The British Library
(http://explore.bl.uk/primo_library/libweb/action/search.do?vid=BLVU1)
- National Library of India Online Catalogue
(<http://opac.nationallibrary.gov.in/cgi-bin/gw/chameleon?sessionid=2017040411341325700&skin=nl&lng=en&inst=consortium&timedout=1>)
- U.S. National Library of Medicine Library Catalogs & Services
(<https://www.nlm.nih.gov/libserv.html>)
- National Library of India Online Catalogue
(<http://opac.nationallibrary.gov.in/cgi-bin/gw/chameleon?sessionid=2017040411341325700&skin=nl&lng=en&inst=consortium&timedout=1>)
- NLS: That All May Read: Online Catalog Quick Search

(https://www.loc.gov/cgibin/zgate.nls?ACTION=INIT&FORM_HOST_PORT=/prod/www/data/nls/catalog/index.html,z3950.loc.gov,7490&CI=072321)

- NDL-OPAC: National Diet Library Online Public Access Catalog (<http://iss.ndl.go.jp/?locale=en>)
- OPAC - National Library of Sri Lanka (<http://www.natlib.lk/>)
- Russian State Library (http://aleph.rsl.ru/F/-?func=file&file_name=find-a&CON_LNG=ENG)

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