DPL Website Proposed Changes

Recommendations to improve user experience

January 30, 2025

Overview

- Recommended changes to current Drupal site
- Larger design & technical recommendations for a refreshed DPL website

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Experience fixes

- Address "available now" button on catalogue page
- Fix routing error, remove or update outdated links

Updating broader design

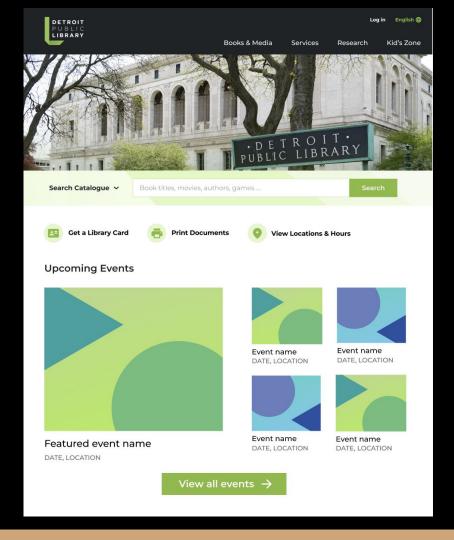
Understand and document current usage

- Review popular pages, events, and device types with Google Analytics
- Understand main actions a user wants to take on the DPL website
- Make most popular user actions easily discoverable in designs

Example popular actions

- Search the catalogue
- 2. View and sign up for new events
- 3. Browse reading lists
- 4. Understand how to get a library card
- 5. Access digital resources (Hoopla, Libby)

Landing Page (part 1)



Events Page



Books & Media

Services

Research

Events

Date >

Event type >

Audience v

☐ Children/Family

☐ Teens/Young adults

☐ Adults

All ages

Location >

Search events, classes, programs

Example event name

LOCATION, DATE + TIME

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Kid's Zone

Landing Page (part 2)

Highlights



The 2024 African American **Booklist**



New Additions to Special Collections



Beanstack Reading Challenges

Library Card Perks

A DPL Library Card offers a lot more than physical books! Enjoy free access to digital resources, ABC Mouse for children and much more.

View all perks →





Libby

eBooks & Audiobooks

kanopy

Kanopy

Movies & Television

Digital Resources

Stream and download books. movies, music, and more with your DPL Library Card.

hooplo

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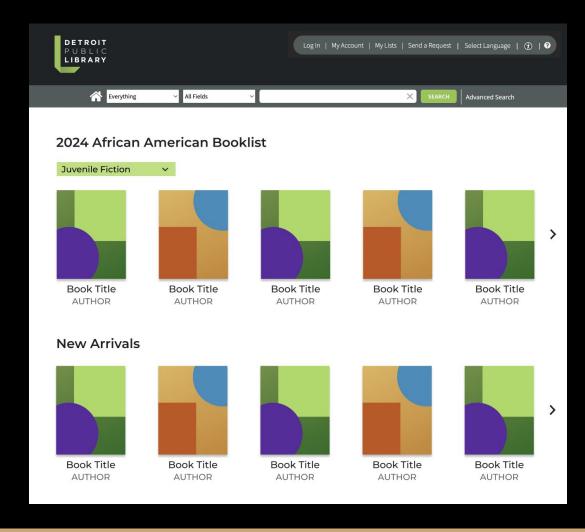
eBooks, Audiobooks, Movies, Television

OverDrive

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eBooks & Audiobooks

Catalogue



Updating technology stack

Possible fits

- React.js/Next.js for fast speeds, straightforward hosting & development
- Integrate with Headless CMS (Contentful, Payload) for easy updates to content without touching code

Thank you!