RDA will be...

- A new standard for resource description and access
- Designed for the digital environment
  - Developed as a web-based product
  - Description and access of all digital resources (and analog)
  - Resulting records usable in the digital environment (Internet, Web OPACs, etc.)
Who develops and supports RDA?

Committee of Principals

AACR Fund Trustees/Publishers

Joint Steering Committee

RDA Project Manager

RDA Editor

JSC Secretary

ALA CC:DA

ACOC

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CCC

CILIP

LC
JSC, Editor, Project Manager, Secretary
RDA Content

Recent developments
RDA structure: A work in progress!

AACR2

- Part I: Description
- Part II: Access

RDA

Part A - Description

- Part I: Description
- Part II: Relationships

Part B

- Part III: Access Point Control
Part A
Chapters 0-5

0. Introduction
1. General guidelines for resource description
2. Identification of the resource
3. Carrier - FRBR “Select”
4. Content - FRBR “Select”
5. Acquisition and access information - FRBR “Obtain”
Part A Ch. 6-7 “Relationships”

FRBR user task “Find”

- Chapter 6
  Relationships between FRBR Group 1 and Group 2 entities
    Persons
    Corporate bodies
    Families

Choice of access points

- Chapter 7
  Relationships between FRBR Group 1 entities
    Works
    Expressions
    Manifestations
    Items

→ Part B
Part B

Access point control

- Choice of access points
- General guidelines for access point control
- Access points (preferred forms and variants) for:
  - Persons, Families, Corporate bodies, Places
  - Works, Expressions, etc.
- Other information used in access point control (entity identifiers, sources, etc.)
New terminology

AACR2 terms
- Heading
- Authority control
- Authorized heading
- Uniform title
- Main entry
- Added entry

RDA terms
- Access point
- Access point control
- Preferred access point
- Preferred title
- Primary access point
- Secondary access point
Ongoing work

- Mode of issuance
- Internationalization
- Persistent identifiers and URLs
- Appendices
- Access points for families
- Examples
- Glossary
RDA and other standards

- RDA/ONIX framework for resource categorization
  - New Terms for Content and Carrier
- RDA/MARC 21 mapping
- RDA/Dublin Core mapping
- Dublin Core/IEEE-LOM discussions
ALA development issues for RDA

- Adopt a top-down approach
- Do not base RDA on AACR2 alone
- Add review of the entire standard at once
- Additional development support
- Clarify decision-making authority and responsibility
JSC response to ALA issues

- Scope and structure document
- Clarified role of FRBR, FRAD, IME/ICC
- Added review of the entire standard
- Development support: some tasks will be separately resourced
- Clarified role of Editor, Editorial Team, JSC
RDA development

Revised schedule
RDA draft reviews

- March-July 2007
- June–Sept 2007
- Dec 2007-Mar 2008
- July-Sept 2008
- Early 2009

Chapter 3
Chapters 6-7
Part B Access
Point Control
Complete draft
First release of RDA
Next RDA draft review

- Chapter 3 ("Carrier") - complete
- Chapter 4 ("Content") addendum
- New elements to replace GMD
  - Media type, Carrier type (Chapter 3)
  - Content type (Chapter 4)
- Incorporates constituency comments
- Draft available March 2007
Changes to Chapters 3 and 4

- FRBR alignment
  - Chapter 3: Manifestation
  - Chapter 4: Work/Expression
- Structured representation of elements vs. notes
- No abbreviations (except English language units of measurement)
Commenting on RDA drafts

- RDA drafts available at: www.collectionscanada.ca/jsc/rda.html
- Informal discussion: subscribe to RDA-L (link on page above)
- Formal comments: within the U.S., use web form via ALCTS website (www.ala.org/ALCTS)
Questions?