

ARE YOU READY TO DIVE INTO THE NEW CATALOGING RULES?  
READY OR NOT, RDA IS HERE.  
LET BACKSTAGE HELP YOU MANAGE THE TRANSITION.

**R**esource Description and Access (RDA) promises to make library collections more connected, more visible to a worldwide audience.

The FRBR model for bibliographic records and the FRAD model for authority data allow relationship linking in a way that wasn't even on the radar when AACR2 rules were created.

Some 420 catalogers at the Library of Congress have now completed an extensive training course in RDA. Since March 31, 2013, the national library is only producing RDA records.

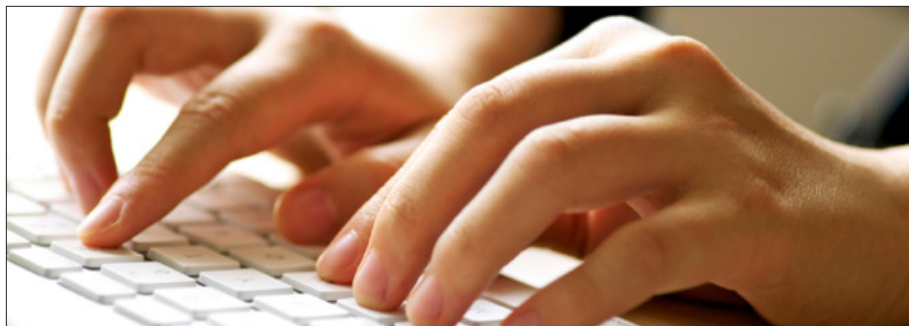
But where does a library like yours begin?

Perhaps we can help.

#### EXPERIENCE

Backstage Library Works was an official test partner in the RDA pilot program organized by the Library of Congress, the National Library of Agriculture, and the National Library of Medicine.

Working with the US National Libraries RDA Test Coordinating Committee, we've been exploring how the nuts and bolts of RDA fit together since 2009.



#### SERVICE OPTIONS

Whether you're experimenting with RDA workflows, adapting RDA data from copy cataloging to fit your institution's transitional preferences, or retrofitting RDA records to AACR2 rules, we can help.

Current Backstage RDA offerings include:

- Full-service cataloging
- RDA-ready authority control
- Validation and enrichment for existing RDA records
- RDA element enrichment for AACR2 records
- Rich GMD to CMC mapping
- Custom programming and data processing

#### UNCHARTED TERRITORY

Although the Library of Congress has made the RDA switch, some details still remain unsettled in the wider library community.

How will automation systems change to help libraries use the new linked data? What steps will OCLC take? What enrichment processes may be useful for existing AACR2 records?

At Backstage, we'll continue to adapt our services to meet the needs of the libraries we serve. And, as always, we'll continue to customize our processing to fit your library's specifications.

So, please, let us know what you're thinking about RDA. What do you plan to do? Or not do? What do you wish you could do?

And what can Backstage do to help you get there? Give us a call.