



Meet Apollo by Biblionix Your On-Line Account

Your Fort Madison Public Library Catalog has conveniences and powerful ways for you to access information. The on-line catalog is available for your use from any Internet capable device in the library, at home, or anywhere. There are two primary capabilities: Searching for a book, a DVD, or etc, and managing your library account. This document covers instructions and tips on how to get the most out of your library account. If you need help, please don't hesitate to ask a staff member for assistance.



Overview:

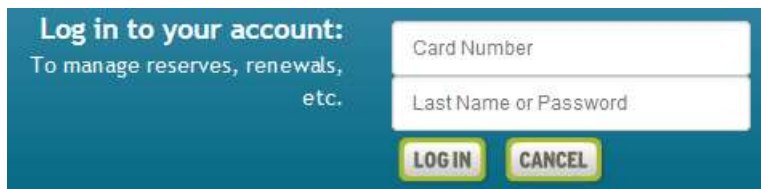
The catalog maintains an account for each member.

The many features and functions are available including:

- view items checked out and their status
- renew items
- reserve items
- balance due (and payable on-line)
- delay your reserves so you won't miss your turn
- designate how you wish to be contacted
- see your history of checked out items (optional – please let library employees know if you want this turned on).

Let's take a quick tour of your "My Account".

Logging In:



To log-in to your account, enter your "Card Number" and the last four numbers of your phone number in to the fields in the upper right corner of the catalog welcome/search page. Select the 'Log In' button.

Click "My Account" button -



Let's look at each section of My Account.

My Account

Account Info

Here you will find your name, address, phone numbers, email address, etc. You can set or change your secure Apollo password here. If you have moved recently, please drop by the library to make the address change.



Notification Options:

The library will notify you of various situations using the contact method selected in this section. To change an option, click the drop down box. The choices are derived from your "Account Info" in the first tab. The feature "3 day Notice Before Items Are Due" is only available through text message and email, otherwise you may choose the options phone call, text message, or e-mail.



Items Out, Renewals

This next section shows all items currently checked out to your account. You'll see the title, due date, and etc. If a renew button is shown to the right of the due date, you can just click on it to renew the item. The item might show "Not Renewable". This might be for a number of reasons: If it is on reserve by someone else, or that type of item (e.g. DVD) is not renewable, or you have fines over the limit, or your card has expired.



Reserves/Requests

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2 items on reserve.

Title	Author	Reserved	Status	Contact	Place	Copies
Step by step to perfect gardening	Davidson, Max	5-21-2016	Ready for pickup! through 5/26	413-0735 (Cell)	#1	1
The Chase	Evanovich, Janet	5-9-2016	Not ready	413-0735 (Cell)	#2	1

Cancel

- Have some favorite authors? Arrange to receive new books by selected authors automatically.
- Going out of town? You can defer your reserves until you get back.
- Is the library missing something? You can request that we purchase it or borrow it from another library (Interlibrary Loan / ILL).

This section lists any reserves you have placed and it typically notes your place on the reserve waiting list. It also shows how you elected to be notified. The “Copies” column indicates how many copies the library has of that title. Note that you can cancel the reservation on items that are not ready.

Going Out Of Town? – You can avoid losing your place in any reserve line by indicating when you will not be available. If your turn comes up during any of these times, you simply move one place down in line. You’ll get that favorite item you’ve been waiting for without going to the end of the line. To indicate when you’re unavailable, click “defer” and you’ll see a calendar pop-up. Click any date to mark it is an unavailable. It will turn blue. Click again to mark it is as available. It will return to white. You can move to different months as necessary with the arrows in the top left and right. You can also click/hold across days or weeks to mark a date range.

Is The Library Missing Something? Place a request for an item here and this will inform the library staff of your request.

Bookmarks



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2 items bookmarked.

Location	Title	Author	Bookmarked	In	Total
	OverDrive Periodicals: Fine Gardening	Taunton Trade Co	12-23-2015	0	0
645 GAR 635 GAR	Texas gardening the natural way: the complete handbook	Garrett, Howard (1947-)	5-18-2016	2	2

Remove Remove

The bookmark section is for your convenience. The library does nothing with your list. This feature could be very useful when doing research and a bibliographic reference will be needed. You may wish to use bookmarks as a reminder of things you want to read in the future or have read in the past. When you are logged-in to the Public Catalog, and view individual records, you can simply click the, “*Bookmark This Item*” button. To remove a bookmark, click the “*Remove*” button found at the end of a book marked title in your account.

My Account

History

By default, the library does not keep track of your borrowing history. However, you can opt-in to have us do this for you. Check with your library, or change the history setting in your account, if you want to keep your borrowing history.

You can search this list by using Ctrl-F in your browser (or similar 'search' option on a phone or tablet). Also you can export the whole list as an Excel spreadsheet.



The screenshot shows the 'My Library Account' page with a navigation menu including 'Account Info', 'Notifications', 'Items Out / Renewals', 'Reserves / Requests', 'Bookmarks', and 'History'. The 'History' tab is active, displaying a table of borrowed items. A 'Download' button is available to export the complete history as an Excel spreadsheet.

Title	Author	Out	Due	Returned
Frankenturkey	Haynes, Betsy	5-18-2016	6-1-2016	5-18-2016
The wishing garden	Yorke, Christy	5-18-2016	6-1-2016	5-18-2016
Geriatrics: a new vision of growing old in America	Larue, Gerald A.	5-17-2016	5-31-2016	5-18-2016
Dogs with jobs: working dogs around the world	Wesbord, Mernly	5-17-2016	5-31-2016	5-18-2016
CD: Die in plain sight	Lowell, Elizabeth (1944-)	4-21-2016	5-5-2016	4-27-2016
The gifted kids' survival guide: a teen handbook	Galbraith, Judy	4-21-2016	5-5-2016	4-27-2016
CD: Die in plain sight	Lowell, Elizabeth (1944-)	4-21-2016	5-5-2016	4-21-2016
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Note that if you are logged-in and searching for an item, Apollo will tell you if you have checked it out. You do not have to refer to the list above. Here's an example:



The screenshot shows the record page for the book 'A few good women: America's military women from World War I to the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan' by Evelyn Monahan. The record includes a cover image, location (355.0082 MON), and a table with columns for 'in' and 'Total'. A red arrow points to the text 'You checked out this title on 11/9/2015'.

Cover	Location	Label	Title	Author	in	Total	@Date
	355.0082 MON		A few good women: America's military women from World War I to the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan	Monahan, Evelyn	1	1	2010

Reserve this item | Bookmark this item | Print record | Save record

- You checked out this title on 11/9/2015.

Title: A few good women: America's military women from World War I to the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan
Evelyn M. Monahan and Rosemary Neidel-Greenlee

Author: Monahan, Evelyn

Location: 355.0082 MON

Extra Data: Annotations | Biography | Export | Reviews

We hope you enjoy these capabilities. Let us know what you think.