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Message

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Good afternoon,

I would appreciate feedback on the announcement below. Who is interested?

Regards,

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#### Updating and Correcting Form/Genre Headings

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>Updating and correcting form/genre headings is now available from OCLC. For  
>libraries using form/genre in their bibliographic records we can now update  
>form headings and supply national form/genre authority records through the  
>OCLC MARS Authority Control Service.

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>Libraries providing subject access to their collection using Guidelines on  
>Subject Access to Individual Works of Fiction, Drama, etc. (GSAFD) can now  
>have their obsolete form/genre headings updated to the forms in the GSAFD  
>second edition. To update their catalogs to the corrected headings a  
>librarian would have to verify and change each heading individually. With  
>MARS Authority Control processing, correction of form/genre headings can be  
>an integral part of updating all controlled access points in a library's  
>entire catalog in a single, efficient, cost-effective process.

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>Now obsolete form/genre headings can be automatically upgraded to the  
>correct headings with this new feature in MARS Authority Matching. Using  
>this new processing all 655 fields are checked for a second indicator value  
>of "7" and a subfield ?2 of "gsafd". Examples:

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> Obsolete heading: 655 7 \$a Adventure stories \$2 gsafd  
> Corrected heading: 655 7 \$a Adventure fiction \$2 gsafd

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> Obsolete heading: 655 7 \$a Livres a clef \$2 gsafd  
> Corrected heading: 655 7 \$a Romans a clef \$2 gsafd

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>Current customers of the MARS Authority Control Service can simply request  
>that this new service be included in their standard authority control  
>processing. There is no additional fee for including this new processing as  
>part of standard MARS Authority Control processing. Each library is free to  
>include or exclude form/genre processing.

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>OCLC MARS will also be adding full support for other authority systems  
>including Getty's Art and Architecture Thesaurus (AAT) and NLM's Medical  
>Subject Headings (MeSH).  
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