DevConnect 2023: The OCLC API Community Garden

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Poll question

How would define your DevConnect participation?
OCLC APIs grow because of community feedback, cooperation, and dedication to improving OCLC products and services.
Sowing the seeds of our developer network

User needs identified through research, libraries, or partners prompt OCLC to cultivate new partnerships.

Projects thrive through community collaboration.

OCLC API users grow connections and contribute ideas in the Community Center.
Cultivate new partnerships
Partnerships lead to more diverse, powerful solutions
OCLC new partner pipeline

**Identify user problems**
- Enhancement suggestions
- Contextual inquiries
- End user research

**Assess options**
- Buy, build, or partner
- Determine user eligibility for solution

**Develop partnership**
- Identify and vet partner candidates
- Establish integration requirements
- Data, API, or UI solutions possible
- Protect OCLC members

**Deliver solution**
- Build, test, and approve solution
- Release solution to eligible users
How can you influence OCLC’s focus on partnerships?

1. Share your project ideas with the community
2. Submit enhancement suggestions for the APIs you develop with
3. Help identify where OCLC APIs and WorldCat can better enrich your library and your end user’s experience
Poll question

I love when API providers....
Community collaboration
Consulting on McGill Library’s off-site storage project
Empowering student workers at the Circulation desk to be more productive
Creating Tipasa-Alma API workflows for University of California Libraries
Providing WMS libraries with custom label functionality
Bringing WorldCat data to spreadsheets
Leveraging WorldCat metadata in other cataloging tools
Poll question

Which API collaboration story did you find most useful?
Grow connections in the Community Center
Community Insights

Begin here to explore content created and submitted by OCLC staff and your fellow OCLC API users. This includes content saved from the previous OCLC Developer Network page, user-created tips and projects.

How to use Postman: Variables and exporting configuration (Video 1)
Karen Coombs, OCLC
19 May 2022
In our ‘How to use Postman’ series, Karen Coombs demonstrates common Postman tasks.

How to use Postman: Advanced topics (Video 2)
Karen Coombs, OCLC
22 April 2022
In our ‘How to use Postman’ series, Karen Coombs demonstrates common Postman tasks.

How to use Postman: Troubleshooting (Video 2)
Karen Coombs, OCLC
23 March 2022
In our ‘How to use Postman’ series, Karen Coombs demonstrates common Postman tasks.

How to use Postman: Getting started (Video 1)
Karen Coombs, OCLC
24 February 2022
In our ‘How to use Postman’ series, Karen Coombs demonstrates common Postman tasks.
Discussion/News boards
OCLC API Documentation

Check out the OCLC API Documentation

– oc.lc/api-doc
Community Center: upcoming functionality and resources

1. Subscribe to enhancement suggestions

2. Search across communities

3. Improved subscription management with Digest Notification options

To see planned updates from the community, visit oc.lc/community-enhancements
Accessing the Community Center

• Request credentials:
  – oc.lc/cc-request

• Access the Community Center:
  – oc.lc/community
  – If you have access for another community already. You can use your existing credentials.
Next Up:

13 April:
Discovery without Disclosure: Using Query Collection MARC to Surface Non-traditional Subject Relationships while Respecting Protected Identities

18 April:
DevConnect 2023: EZproxy, ezPAARSE, and Community Collaboration

25 April:
Automated Checking of Items in a Talis Reading List

See full schedule here:
- oc.lc/devconnect-23
Connect with us to refine your next library project.

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