

FINNA – Online search service and a platform



Finna.fi provides free access to material from Finnish museums, libraries and archives. You can browse and read material available on the web. You can also renew loans and reserve material from various libraries in one place. Finna.fi is your one stop destination for searching the freely available material provided by the partner organisations.

FINNA brings together the collections of more than hundred Finnish archives, libraries and museums.

The national view, Finna.fi, provides direct access to a wide range of digital content, as well as reference information about available material. In June 2016, Finna.fi included more than 11 million records, of which approximately 1.5 million are available online.

Users can easily access images of museum objects and works of art, digital documents, books, maps and reference data whenever it suits them. Finna's information is reliable and up to date, thanks to the efforts of experts at the participating archives, libraries and museums.

Finna is also accessible by mobile devices. In a 2015 user survey, 95 % of users said they would recommend the service to others.

Finna is a search service entity containing several sites in addition to the nationwide Finna.fi site. The content of organisation-specific sites is usually limited to the material of those individual organisations.

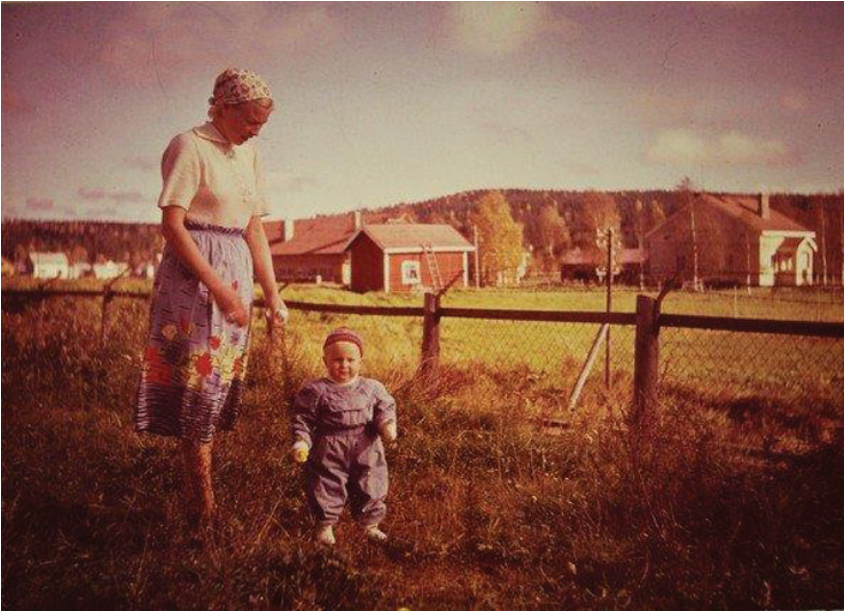
COLLABORATION AND OPEN APPROACH

The National Library of Finland is responsible for the development and maintenance of the Finna service.

Finnish archives, libraries and museums have collaborated in designing

“The material of Finnish archives, libraries and museums with a single search”

Finna to meet user needs regarding its search functions and features. The National Library of Finland has used open-source software in Finna's technical implementation and will continue to develop the service based on user feedback. The hardware environment is maintained by CSC – IT Center for Science.



“Finna is much more than a search service”

The data in the Finna index was opened in early 2016 through a publicly accessible API (api.finna.fi).

The strategic goal for Finna is to be nationally the leading route to open culture and open science by 2020.

FINNA IS PART OF A WIDER NATIONAL DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Finna is part of the National Digital Library Programme, which is led by the Finnish Ministry of Education and Culture.

The programme aims to ensure that electronic materials of Finnish culture and science are managed with a high standard, are easily accessed and securely preserved well into the future. ●

Further information:
<http://www.kdk.fi/en>

