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Sarasota County libraries offer audiobooks 24/7

Sarasota County library cardholders now have around-the-clock access to audio books. The audiobooks can be downloaded free to media players including iPods and others using the WMA or MP3 format.

The Sarasota County library system is collaborating with OverDrive, a leading distributor of digital media, to offer audiobooks to library customers. OverDrive provides download services for thousands of libraries with support for PC, Mac and Sony Reader.

“The OverDrive service offers yet another convenient way for Sarasota County library customers to enjoy books on their time,” said Laurie Bates, librarian. “Customers will love it because they get what they want, when they want it. We love it because it helps us reduce cost while continuing to offer superior service combined with state-of-the-art technology.”

Library cardholders can go to the library’s download center at <http://ecat.lib.overdrive.com> to browse audiobook titles available and check out an audiobook with a simple click of the mouse. The system is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

For more information about the audiobook service, contact the Sarasota County Call Center at 941-861-5000 or visit the county Web site at www.sclibs.net.

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