

OUR MISSION

The National Library is a centre that holds the National Bibliographic Heritage of Spain and it aims to:

- Preserve, manage and disseminate the Spanish Bibliographic Heritage in any format
- Collect, catalogue and preserve the publications in any area
- Promote research, especially in the area of Humanities, by means of requests, study, book loan, etc.
- Elaborate and disseminate the information about the Spanish publications
- Carry out any library work, preservation, growth and dissemination of the National Bibliographic Heritage
- Develop research programs and cooperate with other libraries and other cultural and scientific institutions that can contribute to the best development of the aims of the National Library
- Create, coordinate and encourage research and development programs in the areas of its competency to satisfy the needs of the research community
- Contribute to the transformation of information into knowledge

SUMMARY OF THE YEAR

The National Library of Spain continues the work on library cooperation within other European projects as Europeana V1.0, EuroPressNet and IMPACT to improve access to digital objects and the ARROW project for the building of a rights information infrastructure in Europe that will also help to find ways to clarify the rights status of orphan and out of print works so they can be cleared for digitisation and inclusion in the Hispanic Digital Library. In 2010, the BNE continues involved in the VIAF project (The Virtual International Authority File) and the World Digital Library. The Library also has an active collaboration with ABINIA, Redial, SEDIC, FESABID, REBIUN, etc.

2010 has been a good year in terms of depository collection and collection building, with 861.145 entries by means of Legal Deposit. By other remaining procedures like purchase have entered 4.973 items (books and old documents, magazine titles and databases) and by exchange 1.872 books and magazines have been received together with 5.280 items (books and other materials) by donation procedures.

The year 2010 has also been a good year in terms of library users; 127.358 library users and 4.996.767 remote users through the website of the National Library, using the catalogue, the El Buscón, The Digital Newspaper Library and the Hispanic Digital Library.

[See some statistic information on Service at Reading Rooms at Figure 1]

The most important goals achieved in 2010 were:

- Launch of Proyecto Quijote Interactivo with 20.700 visits the first day
- Organisation of LIBER's International Seminar on Architecture and Libraries
- Publication of the BNE's Incunabula catalogue
- 4.336.537 historical serial publications pages digitised
- Non-Latin alphabets cataloguing (Cyrillic, Chinese, Arabic)
- Multimedia resources cataloguing
- Creation of the online Master en Bibliotecas Patrimoniales, in collaboration with the Universidad Carlos III of Madrid
- Improvement of the robotic stack in Alcalá de Henarés, reducing loaning times

CATALOGUING

The Bibliographic Control Department develops the database that includes the cataloguing of all that it is published every year in Spain. Over the year 2010, over 108.135 bibliographic records and 33.817 authority records have been entered into the database.

The Processing Department collaborates with national and international working groups on standardisation (ISBD, MARC21), attends to specialised meetings at IFLA, ALA or MARBI and it is actively implied in RDA and VIAF.

[See some statistic information on the Digital Newspaper Library at Figure 2]

ACQUISITIONS

The most outstanding works purchased in 2010 were:

Incunabula

- CACIONERO de Ramón de Llavia.- [Zaragoza:Juan Hurus, 1488-1490].

Printed works

- CARTILLA para mostrar a leer /y las cosas que conuiene saber a/ cualquier fiel christiano. [Toledo :Sucesores de Hagembach, 1504-1511]
- ROMANCE de don Gayferos: y tr/ta de cómo saco a su esposa q estaua captiua en tierra de moros.- [Sevilla, c.a. 1510].- Impreso siglo XVI

Photographies

- CLERQ, Louis de. Panorámica de Málaga, c.1860.- Fotografía.
- CLERQ, Louis de. Panorámica de Granada, c.1860.- Fotografía.
- Cádiz, Puerta de Europa / Hohenleiter.- [Madrid]: Patronato Nacional del Turismo, [ca 1930](Madrid) : (Lit. Talleres Voluntad)
- COLECCIÓN de postales y sobres, de propaganda nacionalista y republicana, cromos políticos y billetes y vales de papel moneda local.

Cartography

- LÓPEZ, Tomás (1730 – 1802). - Globo terrestre, 1770-1802

Music

- MANUSCRITOS originales de finales del siglo XVIII y principios del siglo XIX. Obras de gran importancia de: Francisco Olivares, Reynoso, José Lidón, Ramón Carnicer, Pedro Aranaz, M. Arnaudas, José Cañada
- COLECCIÓN Emilio ARRIETA formada por: Manuscritos autógrafos de Emilio Arrieta (1821-1894); de varios autores de obras del siglo XIX: Tomás Bretón, Ignacio Ovejero, Bernardino del Valle, Buenaventura Iñiguez; Copias de manuscritos originales de varios autores: Federico Chueca, Joaquín Larreaga, Eduardo Ximénez, Enrique Breca, Vicente LLeó, Juan José Belaustegui, Francisco de Asís de la Peña; así como de la Colección Fernando Moraleda
- MANUSCRITOS del compositor Cristobal Oudrid (1825-1877)
La pata de cabra, 1858
Don Sisenando: zarzuela en un acto, 1858
Yo y mi tía
La gata de Mari Ramos, 1869
Café teatro, 1868

Don Pablito, 2ª parte de Don Simón, 1854

Una obra incompleta

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Exhibitions

The Library held several exhibitions last year and can be consulted at the Library website:

<http://www.bne.es/en/Actividades/Exposiciones/Exposiciones2010/>

Some of the most outstanding exhibitions held at the National Library in 2010 were the following:

- *Europa en Papel* (11 March – 6 June). On the occasion of the Spanish Presidency of the European Union. It illustrated the historical roots of this common project. It attracted 20.039 visitors.
- *Memoria de los Moriscos: escritos y relatos de una diáspora cultural* (17 June – 26 September). On the occasion of the 400 years of the expulsion of the Moriscos by Philip III of Spain. This exhibition improved the knowledge of aljamiado manuscripts, texts in Spanish written in Arabic, as part of the habits of the Moriscos converted to Christianity (16.697 visitors).
- *Códices de la Capilla Sixtina: manuscritos miniados en colecciones españolas* (19 October – 9 January 2011), in collaboration with Cabildo de Toledo and Centro de Estudios Europa Hispánica. A Collection of illuminated manuscripts from the eleventh to the eighteenth century brought from the Vatican City to Spain by Cardinal Lorenzana (21.618 visitors).

Other cultural activities

The Library has also offered other cultural activities during 2010 that can also be consulted at the library website:

<http://www.bne.es/es/Actividades/AgendaMensual/Agendas2010/>

Some of the most remarkable activities of 2010 were the following:

- *Tardes de literatura en la BNE*. Conference series of Literature at the BNE with Ruth Toledano, Lucía Etxebarria, Almudena Grandes, Vicente Molina Foix y David Trueba.
- *Tramas europeas: encuentro con autores europeos en la BNE*. A conference series organised with the collaboration of the cultural departments of some European embassies in Madrid, with the presence of European writers as Herta Müller, Péter Esterházy or Mercedes Monmany, among others.
- *Tramas americanas: encuentro con autores americanos en la BNE*. A conference series organised with the collaboration of the cultural department of the Embassy of the United States in Madrid, with the presence of writers as Azar Nafasi.
- Premios Nacionales en la Biblioteca Nacional de España. National Prizes at the National Library of Spain.
- Conference of Jane Goodall on the occasion of the International Year of Biodiversity.

ANNEX. FACTS AND FIGURES

FIGURE 1. SERVICE IN READING ROOMS

CARDS AND TEMPORARY PASSES ISSUED	2009	2010	VARIATION %
Cards	12.034	11.644	-3,24
READER ROOMS USERS			
Recoletos	126.762	112.304	-10,46
Alcalá de Henares	1.298	1.194	-8,01
TOTAL	128.060	113.498	-10,44
LOAN			
In-house loans	367.505	392.639	+6,84
Interlibrary loan	6.071	6.329	+4,25
TOTAL	373.576	398.968	+6,80
ALCALÁ DE HENARES REQUESTS			
Books	26.138	28.004	+7,14
Serial publications	2.523	2.614	+3,61
TOTAL	28.661	30.618	+6,83

FIGURE 2. DIGITAL NEWSPAPER LIBRARY STATISTICS

Digital Newspaper Library	2008	2009	2010
Visits	244.909	286.013	252.536
Requests	13.877.916	25.393.114	26.428.120
Pages	2.331.305	5.847.677	4.819.850
Demand loads	26.315.400	46.494.180	44.811.184