

Libki: Free Open Source Session Management

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Libki is free open source kiosk session management software for libraries, developed by Kyle Hall in 2007.

Libki is a direct replacement for products like Envisionware's PCReservation, Librarica's Cassie, Pharos, MyPC, and others.

Libki uses a client-server communication model, with web-based administration, and a cross-platform client. The Libki server runs on Linux. The client runs on Windows, Unix (Mac OS), or Linux.

Libki can integrate with SEO's SirsiDynix Symphony database via SIP2, so that patrons can log on to computer sessions using their library card and PIN.

- First come first serve, reservations, or both
- Ephemeral guest passes can be generated daily
- Modify, add, or reduce session time
- Assign sessions a set length, or auto-increment remaining time
- Use SIP2 to enforce policies about user profile, fee limits, overdues, etc
- Configure Libki settings using the administrative web interface
- Staff can make and cancel reservations, modify session time, and otherwise manage Libki users and computers from the web interface
- If you wish, patrons can manage reservations from a public web interface

Download Libki server and client, and find installation instructions:

<https://github.com/Libki>

Find a setup and configuration guide, with essential server configuration and guidance for using Libki with SIP2 and SEO's Symphony database:

<http://adamscolibrary.org/libki> or

<http://support.servingeveryohioan.org>

