

# LibraryCrunch

Service for the Next Generation Library: A Library 2.0 Perspective by Michael Casey

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## What's Playing at the Library?

By Lorie Roy and Joseph McPeak:

*It's the hip new thing. Your teenagers are begging for it.*

*And it's likely to be at your local library. What's the big draw? The answer might surprise you - video games.*

*Video games? At the library? Is that . . . proper?*

*The answer, according to nearly 75 percent of libraries across the United States, including here in Philadelphia, is a resounding "Yes!"*

*It's important to remember debates like this have taken place as long as libraries have existed. Once upon a time, for example, U.S. library patrons were required to sign out several nonfiction books before they could sign out any fiction, since nonfiction was somehow more worthwhile.*

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