For Your Browsing Pleasure

Information Problem: Browsers Say What?

- Where is the science fiction?
 - Current spine labels are limited to mystery, westerns, & religious fiction, & inconsistently used
 - Reader's advisory often limited to well-known authors
 - Reader's advisory resources, like <u>NoveList</u>, can't be limited to show only available titles at a branch



- Where can I find Nightwing?
 - O Series are broken up
 - O Graphic novels are organized by author, but most long running series have different writers for different story arcs
 - O Volume # is disregarded in the call #



Solution: Label & Relabel

- O Displays increase circulation, so "display" genre
 - O Additional genre stickers
 - Start with adding Fantasy/Scifi, Romance, Suspense
 - In the future, more might be useful, like Cozy Mystery, Historical, & Horror
 - O Give branches more autonomy, provide branches with spine labels to be used when needed
 - O No more than two labels per book



- Comics readers don't search by author
 - O Series instead of author in call #
 - Include volume # in call #



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Making a Difference: Olly Olly Oxen Free!

- Browsing will become easier, serendipitous finds more likely
- Readers will find lesser known genre authors
- O Graphic novels series will be less broken up
- Staff can help patrons more quickly
 - O They don't need to know the genre or spend their limited time on reader's advisory resources
 - O They don't need to be familiar with graphic novels to find volumes of a series

