

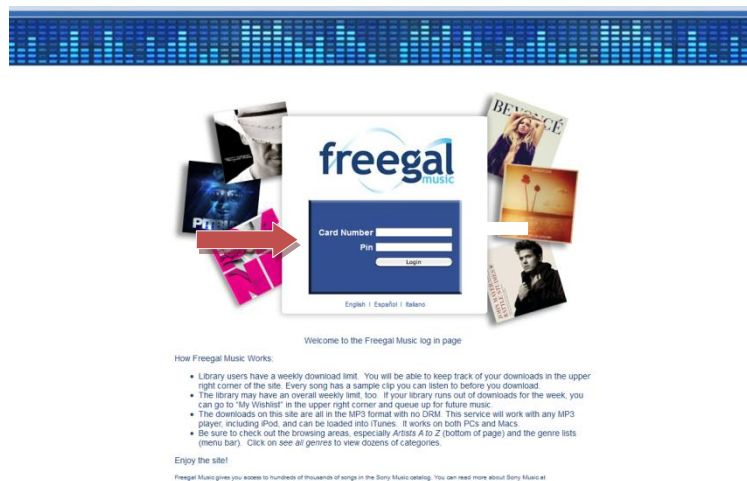
Using *Freegal Music Service* to find Downloadable Music

Freegal is a free downloadable music service provided by the Topeka & Shawnee County Public Library. All you need is your library card number and PIN to access the service. **Freegal** has access to the Sony Music Entertainment's catalog and offers hundreds of thousands of songs, over 100 genres of music, and more than 50 record labels.

The Basics

- You are limited to three (3) downloaded songs per week. The week resets at 11:01 pm on Sunday.
- **Freegal** does not use any Digital Rights Management (DRM) or secondary downloading software, which means that you can download music quickly and easily straight from **Freegal's** website. It also means you keep the music you download. No due dates!
- Music files are in a MP3 format and work on any MP3 compatible device, the iPod, and the iPad.
- When using Freegal at the Library, try accessing it with the Internet Explorer browser to help with file download and playlist sync.

Accessing **Freegal** is easy. On the Library's digital branch, click on "**Find Stuff**" and then click on the "**Music Downloads (Freegl)**" link. Then, on the **Freegal** login screen, enter your Library card number and PIN, then click "**Login.**" (Your PIN is the last four digits of your telephone number.)



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Finding Music

Freegal offers a variety of ways to find music. You can browse by artist, genre, new releases, or popular titles. You can also search for a specific artist, genre, or song using the main search box or specialty menus. The interface does take a little practice to get used to, but once you master it, thousands of songs will be at your fingertips.

A Few Tips for Finding Music

- Artists are arranged by first name and then last name. If you want the singer, Aretha Franklin, you will need to look in “A” not “F.”
- If a band’s name includes “The,” they will be listed by “The.” Therefore “The Beatles” would be in the “T” section, not the “B” section. This arrangement is different than how the Library arranges materials.
- When searching for an artist or song, keep it simple. Try using just the artist’s last name or the major words in the song instead the entire name or song title.

The screenshot shows the Freegal website in a Mozilla Firefox browser window. The address bar shows the URL <http://www.freegalmusic.com/homes/index>. The website header includes the Topeka & Shawnee County Public Library logo and navigation links for Weekly Downloads, FAQ, My Wishlist, Recent Downloads, and Logout. A main search box is located in the top right, with a 'GO' button. Below the search box is a navigation menu with options for Genre, Featured Artist, and Newly Added. The main content area features a large banner for Santana with a 'Click to View Artist' button. Below the banner are sections for 'Upcoming Releases', 'MyLib Top 10' (listing songs like 'Let's Fight' and 'Need You Now'), and 'National Top 10'. There are also featured artist sections for Brandon Heath and R. Kelly. At the bottom, there is an 'Artist Search' section with an alphabetical index (A-Z) and a list of artists starting with 'A', such as 'a balladeer', 'A Billion Emies', and 'A Bullet For Pretty Boy'. Red arrows point to the search box, the genre menu, the top 10 listings, and the artist search section.

Genre Browse Menu

Browse for music by genre; rock, pop, R & B, etc.

Popular Selection Listings

Browse through current popular songs

Main Search Box
Freegal uses keyword searching

Artist Alphabetical Browse

Freegal organizes by first name and uses articles, such as “a” and “the.”

Basic Searching

Search Box

You can use the main search box to search for an artist or song title. Remember that the search box is a keyword search, so you might get a few unrelated items.

Once the search is complete you can scroll through the results or sort them alphabetically using the **Artist, Album, or Track** tabs at the top. From the search results screen you can **play a sample of the song** or **download the song**.

Main Search Box
Freegal uses keyword searching

Category Tabs
Sort search results alphabetically using these tabs.

Sample Button
Listen to a few seconds of the song using this button

Download Now Link
Click here to download

Artist	Album	Track	Download
th	O, Yeah! Ultimate A...	I Don't Want To Miss A Th...	Download Now
th	O, Yeah! Ultimate A...	Pink	Download Now
th	O, Yeah! Ultimate A...	Just Push Play	Download Now
th	O, Yeah! Ultimate A...	Falling In Love (Is f	Download Now
th	O, Yeah! Ultimate A...	Jaded	Download Now
Aerosmith	O, Yeah! Ultimate A...	Lay It Down	Download Now
Aerosmith	O, Yeah! Ultimate A...	Girls Of Summer	Download Now

You can also **bring up an album record** that will show all the songs from that album. This feature is usefully for album compilations, where albums contain multiple artists.

Artist Name

Album Name

Track List

Tracks	Artist	Time	Download
▶ I Don't Want To Miss A Thing	Aerosmith	4:00	Download Now
▶ Pink	Aerosmith		Download Now
▶ Just Push Play	Aerosmith		Download Now
▶ Falling In Love (Is Hard On The Knees)	Aerosmith		Download Now
▶ Jaded	Aerosmith		Download Now
▶ Lay It Down	Aerosmith	3:47	Download Now
▶ Girls Of Summer	Aerosmith	3:13	Download Now

Artist Search

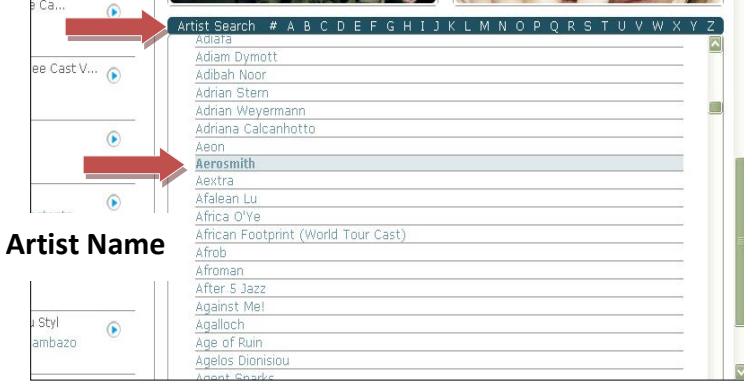
Using the “Artist Search” feature at the bottom of the main page produces a slightly different search result than the main search box. It is useful in finding all of the albums or songs by a particular artist that **Freegal** contains.

To use the “Artist Search” feature, click on the letter of the artist’s or band’s name. Remember that bands starting with “The” will be grouped in the “T” section.

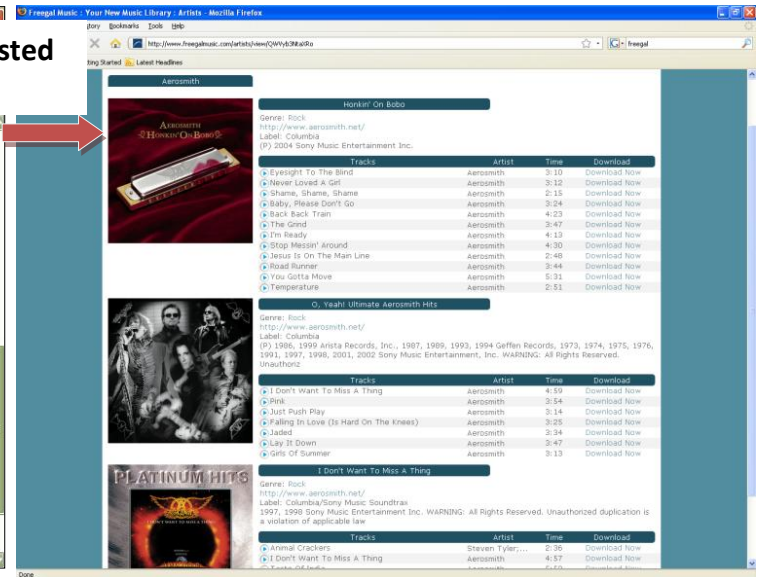
For example, a search for “Aerosmith” generates a search result of all the albums by this group, rather than the long list of songs created when using the search box.

Artist Search

Click on a letter then scroll to find the artist

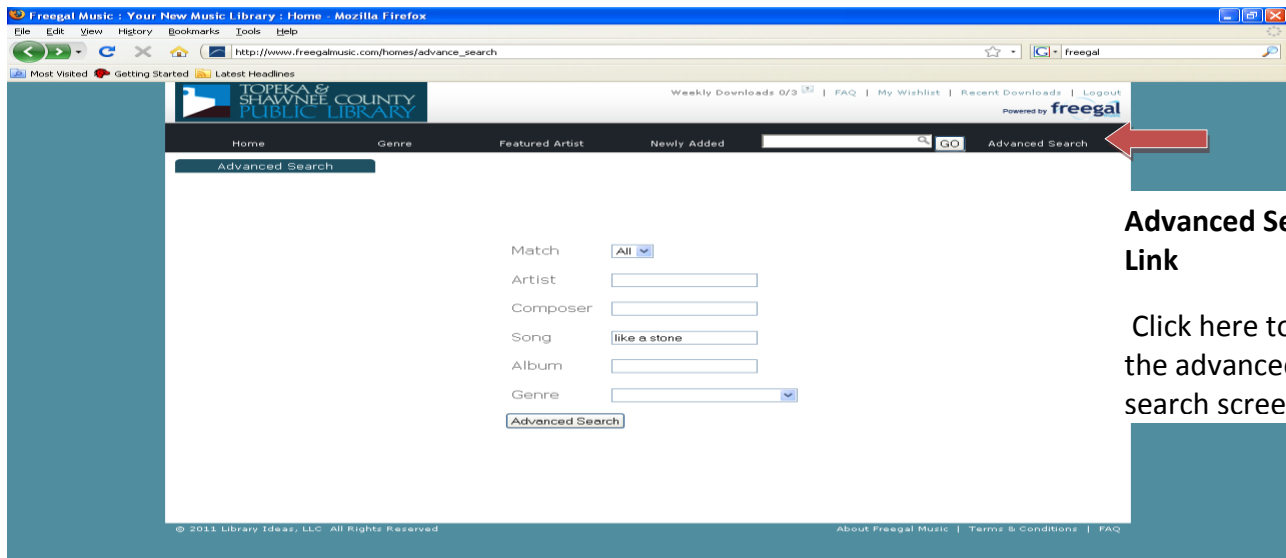


Results Listed by Album



Advanced Searching Option

Freegal also has an advanced search feature. Here you can search by artist, composer, song, album, genre, or a combination of these categories.



Advanced Search Link

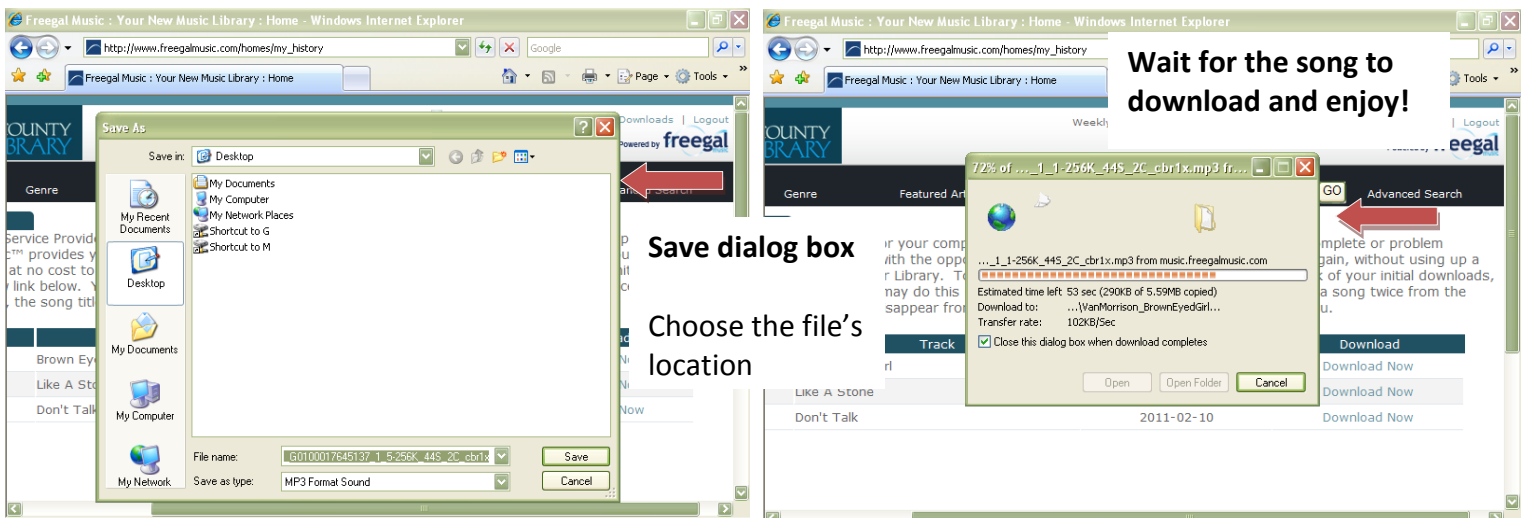
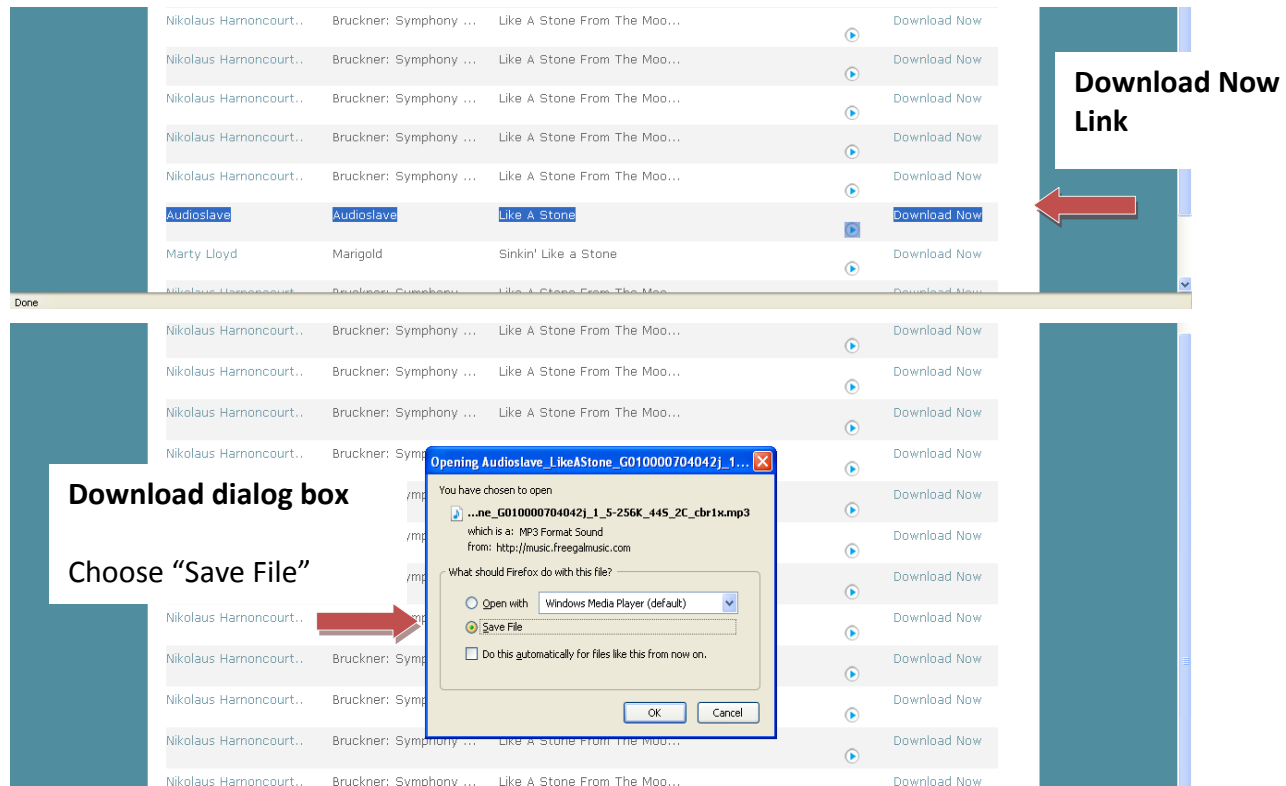
Click here to enter the advanced search screen

Downloading Songs

Freegal has made downloading music easy. From the results screen, click on the “Download Now” link on the search results page. **Warning:** Once you click on the download link it counts as one of your three songs for that week, even if you click cancel or it does not download.

In the download dialog box, click on “Save File.” In the next dialog box, choose a location for the song file, then click “Save.”

Once the download is finished, click on your song file and enjoy your new tunes!



Other Features

Weekly Downloads

In the top right corner of each page is a counter that keeps track of your weekly download count. As you download songs, the counter will change from “0/3” to “1/3,” etc.

My Wishlist

You can keep a list of future downloads by using the “**My Wishlist**” feature. After you reach your three song limit, the “**Download Now**” link changes to “**Add to Wishlist.**” Click on this link to add it to your wishlist. The wishlist only works after you have used your three weekly allotted downloads.

Recent Downloads

Freegal keeps track of all the songs you have downloaded for the month. This listing also allows you to download the track two additional times. These downloads do not count toward your three songs per week limit.

FAQ

Freegal also provides an **FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions)** section to answer any other questions you might have about the service.

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File Edit View History

Weekly Downloads Counter changes from 0/3 to 1/3, etc.

FAQ My Wishlist

Download History

Recent Downloads

A listing of songs downloaded. Songs may be downloaded an additional two times.

Artist	Track	Date	Download
Van Morrison	Brown Eyed Girl	2011-02-03	Download Now
Audioslave	Like A Stone	2011-02-10	Download Now

Download History

Once in awhile Internet Service Providers or your computer download. Freegal Music™ provides you with the opportunity for personal download, and at no cost to your Library. To download a song, click the download now link below. You may do this up to three times per week. On the Recent Downloads page, the song titles disappear from your library.

Done

Now: Sunny and 26°F Tonight: 13°F Fri: 40°F