Getting started with Kanopy

Kanopy is a video streaming platform for public and academic libraries, delivering one of the finest and largest collections of films in the world. Kanopy’s collection features over 30,000 films from over 1,000 top producers, such as the Criterion Collection, Great Courses, PBS, Media Education Foundation, and more.

Web Access

These instructions apply to any device accessing Kanopy through a web browser. You will need an internet connection to watch videos on Kanopy.

2. Follow the prompts to create a Kanopy account:
   - Enter your first and last name, an email address, and create a password.
   - Go into your email, open up the message from Kanopy and click on the “Verify My Email” button.
   - Once the Kanopy web page reopens, click the orange “Continue” button and enter your Irving Public Library card number and your PIN.
3. Each account has 5 video play credits every month. The number of play credits for the current month displays on the home page in the top right corner.
4. To browse available titles, you can:
   - Browse the titles by category on the home page
   - Browse by subject (Hover on the subject drop down menu)
   - Click the magnifying glass icon to run a search on titles, subject or keyword
5. To watch a movie, hover on the thumbnail image, then click WATCH. Or click on a title and click the PLAY button in the middle of the video. The movie plays in your browser.
6. Once you press play on a video, you will have 3 days to view it as many times as you like without using another play credit.

SERVICE OVERVIEW & TIPS

- All titles are streamed. Downloading is not available for Kanopy videos.
- Kanopy videos must be watched in 3 days.
- Track your viewing activity by visiting My Dashboard > Recently Viewed. The Recently Viewed page will list every video you have ever watched. If a video is still within the 3-day viewing period, the list will include the amount of time left on that viewing period.
- All titles are always available, so holds are not necessary. Titles can be added to a Watchlist for future borrowing by clicking + My List on the title information page.
- You can watch Kanopy videos on your television. Kanopy is compatible with the streaming services Roku, Apple TV, Chromecast, and from a laptop via HDMI cable.
- If you experience problems, check http://help.kanopystreaming.com for instructions.