Release note

Contributors, Credits, and Catalog improvements

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We've promoted Contributors and their Credits into first class citizens within Movida; this increases efficiency, allows you to store rich metadata for Contributors, enables better Catalog management, and provides new presentation options for the platforms you deliver your content to.

Please note that the new Contributor and Credits features are only available if they've been enabled for your Company in Movida, but the Catalog improvements are available to all.

This note describes what has changed in full, and as usual you can contact **support** or your technical account manager for further clarification.

BeBanjo reference(s)

Application	Issue	Title
movida	3565	Enhance Contributor support
movida	3752	Contributors
movida	3978	Add an External ID for Contributors

Contributors and Credits

Prior to these changes the contributors (e.g. actors and directors) for Features etc. could only be stored as Metadata Attributes. Whilst this approach works well, it does have limitations that the new Contributor and Credit features overcome.

As a part of Movida and Sequence's excellent adventure, **Contributors** can now be created directly in the Catalog and then added as **Credits** to: Brands, Collections, Series, Episodes, and Features. Yes way!
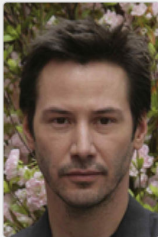

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In Movida a Contributor has several attributes: first name, last name, external ID, biography, portrait image, and tags.

When a Contributor is added as a Credit to content you can specify their **Job** and, where appropriate, their **Character Name**. Here's a bodacious example of a Contributor and their Credits:
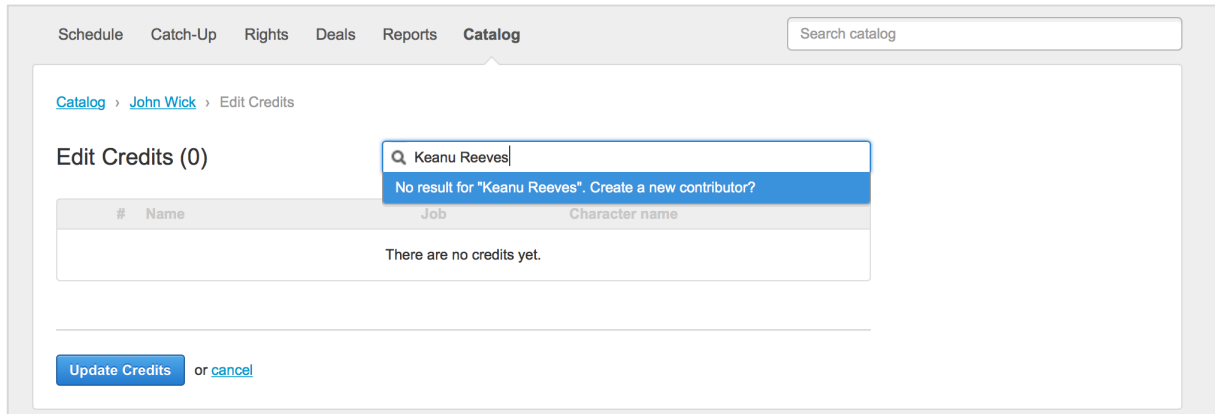

The Credits are shown in a sortable table, and to complement the Contributor's portrait image there's an **Images** section for additional images.

The values for Job (e.g Actor, Director, Writer) are defined based on your requirements, and the Character Name attribute can be enabled for any Job where it's required.

Credits are added to content by searching for a Contributor, or to Contributors by searching for content.
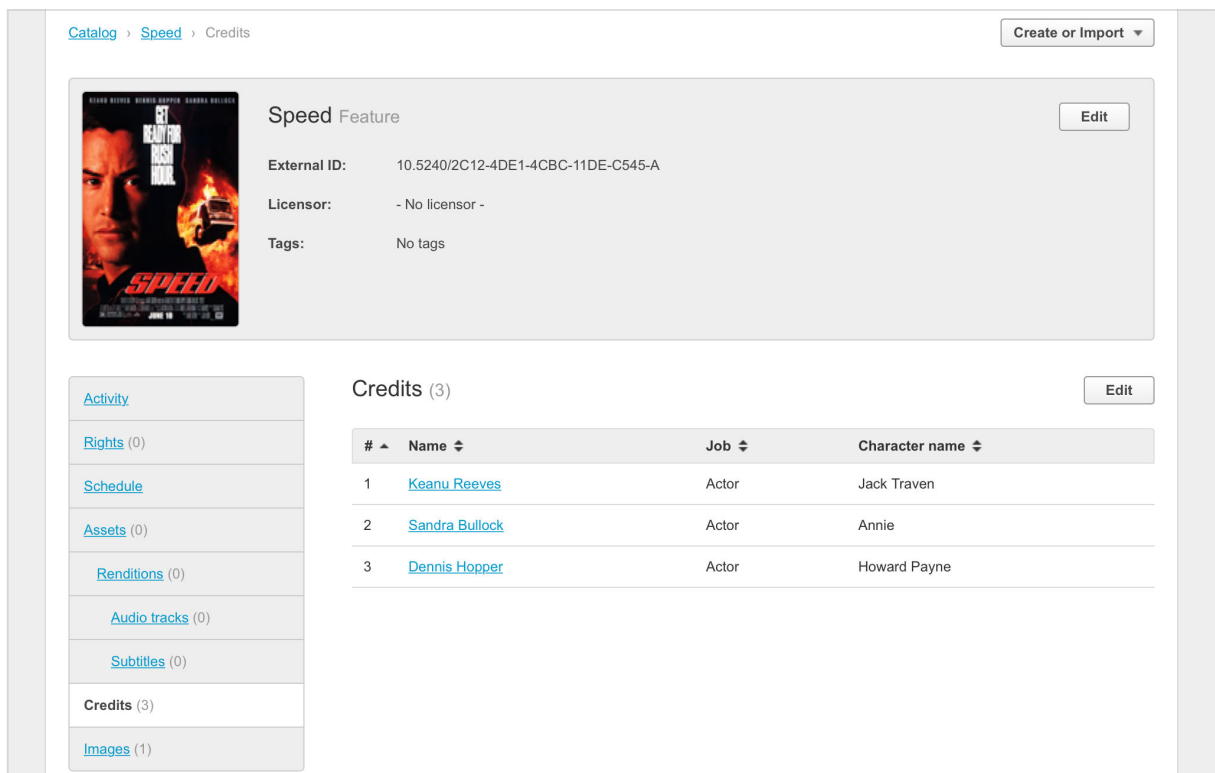
When editing the Credits for content, if the Contributor being added does not exist you can create them at that point; you can also create new Contributors from the Catalog page.

Here you can see that Keanu Reeves does not yet exist as a Contributor, but can be added in a single step:

It's often important to correctly rank the Contributors for content; here are the Credits for a Feature:

To change the ranking of each Contributor simply click the Edit button for the Credits and then drag the Contributors into the correct order.

Catalog improvements

In the Catalog page we've added Brands (YAY!) and Contributors (if that feature is enabled for your Company in Movida) to the Type filter, and the omnipresent Search Catalog field now lets you restrict your search to Collections, Features, Series, and Contributors:
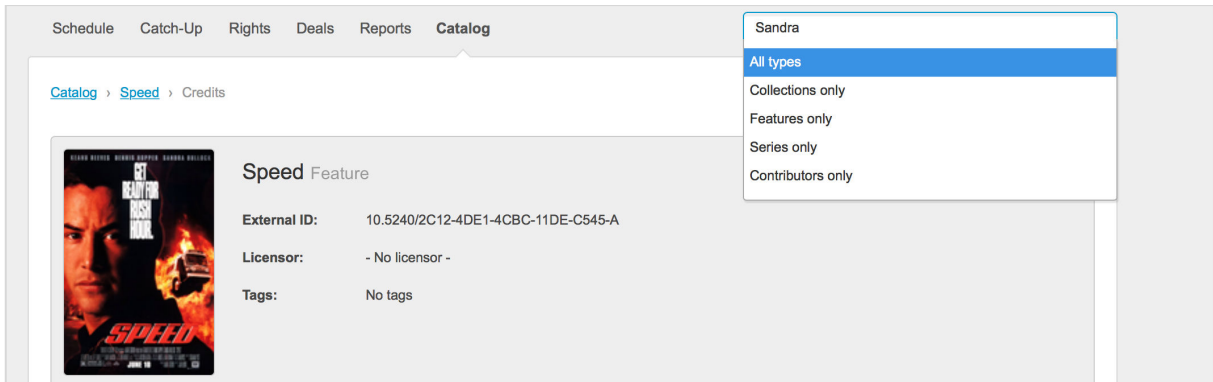
If you search for **All types** then the search results are grouped by content type (with a maximum of six results per type) and you can then click through to all of the results for a specific content type:
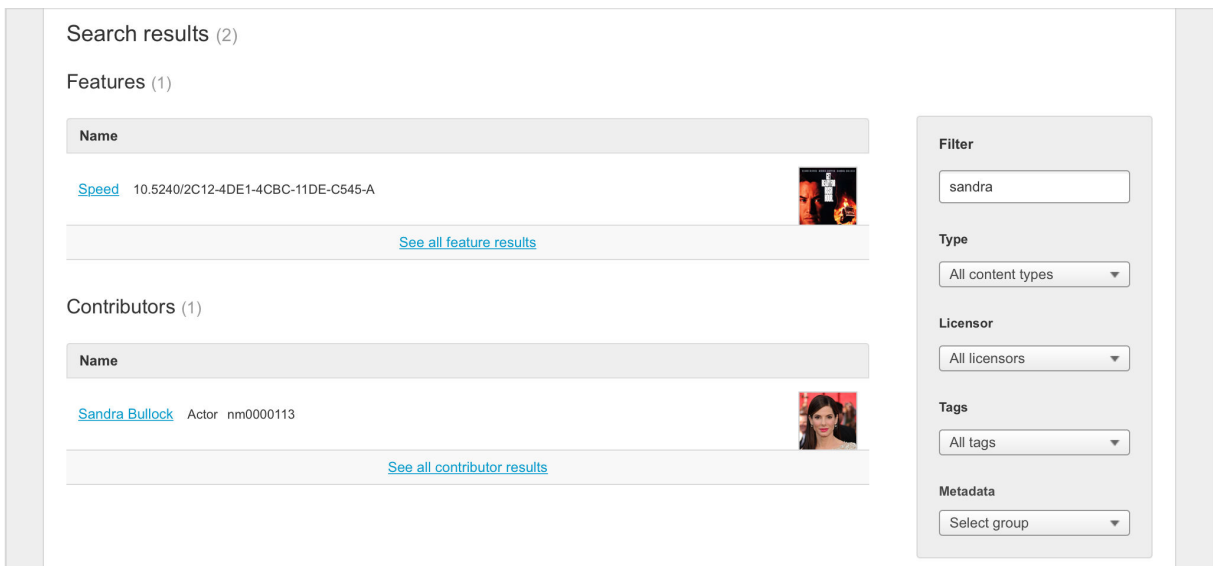
And, finally if you filter the Catalog for Brands and then click the **View in schedule page** icon for a Brand then you'll be able to see all Schedule Entries for all Series in the Brand. *Nifty!*

One more thing! Very soon we'll be releasing the API support for Contributors and Credits so that your various robots and minions can join in the fun too! Details to follow…