



WELCOME TO  
**WLA WEDNESDAY**

February 22, 2023



### Register for WLA2023!

We're just over a month away from WLA2023! There's still time to [register!](#) Rates are available for individuals in-person and online. There are also **in-person group discounts** for individuals associated with a single organization:

- 5-10 people: 5% off
- 11-20 people: 10% off
- 21+: 20% off

### Conference Highlights

- **Networking opportunities** to facilitate make meaningful, lasting connections, including Dine-Arounds, receptions, the Table Topics Lunch, Divisional unconferences, meetups around shared interests and identities, and an app with an attendee social network.
- **70+ sessions** from experts and innovators in Academic, Public, School, and Special libraries across the state.

- **Virtual content** available to all attendees to watch on demand through June 2023.
- **Preconference Workshops** to give a deeper dive into the topics of accessibility, community-centered planning, serving Indigenous communities, and more.
- **Extracurricular activities** to get you out exploring Wenatchee with new friends.
- **User-friendly app** to help you navigate the conference with ease, build your schedule, find new connections, participate in community discussions, enter challenges to win prizes, and so much more.
- **More keynote speakers** to be announced soon!
- **Closing session** featuring a panel on book challenges.
- **Four meals** included in your registration, plus refreshment breaks and receptions.
- **Exhibit Hall** packed full of library-related vendors offering giveaways, discounts, and exclusive opportunities to conference attendees.

If you have any questions, please contact the WLA Office at [info@wla.org](mailto:info@wla.org) or (206) 823-1138.

## Call to Action

Support HB 1609  
#K12Librarians4AllWA

**WASHINGTON  
SCHOOLS  
NEED  
TEACHER  
LIBRARIANS**



### Call to Action! Help Support HB 1609

Please call your representative on the House Appropriations Committee, or Timm Ormsby, Chair of the committee, to ask for a hearing on [HB 1609](#), concerning school library information and technology programs.

This is urgent as we need both a hearing and a vote out of committee by the end of this week in

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order for the bill to stay alive. See below for contact info for everyone on the House Appropriations Committee.

Not sure who your representatives are? [Find them here.](#)

Thank you for your support helping WLA push its legislative goals over the finish line!

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### Call for *Alki* Milestones and Art!

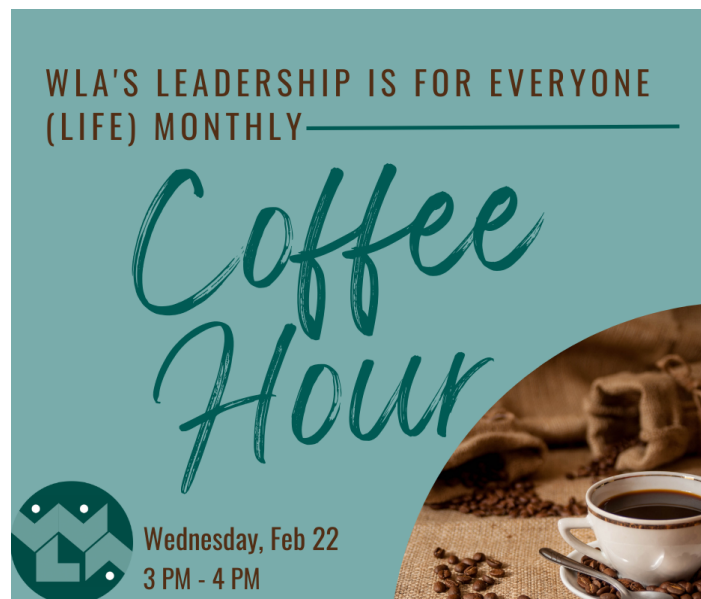
Send us your recent accomplishments, announcements, and art! The Milestones section focuses on significant moments for libraries and librarians statewide. Write approximately 250 words to recognize new hires, promotions, project completions, remembrances of those who have passed, and even works in progress. Library groups, staff, students, retirees, and friends of Washington libraries are all welcome to submit.

Show off your art! Include no more than 3 photos with alt text description and a short caption.

Art submissions may include:

- book displays
- new or updated spaces (everyone loves a 'before and after')
- artistic expressions of all forms
- posters for upcoming events

Email your submission to Bethany McKinley, *Alki* Editor, at [alkieditor@wla.org](mailto:alkieditor@wla.org) by **Feb. 24** to be included in the March *Alki* issue. Any late submissions will be set aside



### LIFE Coffee Hour

Join WLA's Leadership is For Everyone (LIFE) section today for our monthly "Coffee Hour," which occurs every fourth Wednesday from 3:00 – 4:00 pm on [Zoom](#). For our today's Feb. 22 gathering, we will be discussing the idea of gratitude and how it fits in our work as librarians and library leaders.

This topic was inspired by "[The Science of Gratitude](#)," a white paper prepared for the John Templeton Foundation by the Greater Good Science Center at UC Berkeley and written by Summer Allen, Ph. D. As this meeting is an informal "coffee hour", following a brief overview of the article, we will offer attendees the opportunity to share their thoughts, practices, and experiences related to gratitude in the workplace.

For any questions, please reach out to LIFE Chair [Todd Vandenburg](#).

### Look Who's Hiring

Antioch University Seattle is seeking a [Core Faculty and Director of School Library Endorsement Program](#).

Bellevue College is seeking a [Part-Time Librarian](#).

Central Washington University Library is seeking a [Student Success Librarian, Assistant Professor](#).

Gonzaga University is seeking an [Adjunct Faculty, Foley Library](#).

Highline College is seeking [Part Time Faculty - Library & Information Services](#).

King County Library System is seeking a [Community Conduct Coordinator](#), three [Librarian and Information Services Managers](#), and several [Librarians – Public Services](#).

Kent School District is seeking a [Teacher Librarian / Technology Integration Specialist](#).

Lummi Library at Northwest Indian College is seeking a [Library Tech I](#).

NCW Libraries is seeking a [Branch Librarian \(Okanogan\)](#), a [Finance Director](#), and [Bilingual Branch Librarian \(Brewster\)](#).

North Olympic Library System is seeking a [Community Outreach Specialist](#).

Seattle Central College is seeking a [Full-time Faculty Tenure-Track Librarian](#).

Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking a [Cataloging, Acquisitions, and Interlibrary Loan Manager](#), and [Library Associates](#).

Washington State Library is seeking a [Branch Librarian](#) and a [Serials Cataloger](#).

Yakima Valley Libraries is seeking a [Librarian II – Youth Services](#).

*If your institution has a posting for libraries in the WLA community you would like to submit, please email [newsletter@wla.org](mailto:newsletter@wla.org) and indicate "Look Who's Hiring" in the subject line.*

## Conference Bulletin



### WLA2023 Highlight: WLA Swag Day

Show off your WLA and library pride at conference on Saturday, April 1! You can order WLA2023 swag through our [RedBubble store](#) or wear anything that shows off your passion for libraries! Some other RedBubble options include:

- [#K12Librarians4AllWA Logo](#)

- [WLA: Association Logo](#)
- [WLA: Association Pride Logo](#)
- [Academic Library Division/ACRL-WA Logo](#)
- [WALE Logo](#)

[Register for WLA2023 here](#), and learn more and view the full schedule of programs and keynotes on the [conference website](#). If you have any questions, please contact the WLA Office at [info@wla.org](mailto:info@wla.org) or (206) 823-1138.

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### **Call For Papers: WLIC Libraries Serving Persons with Print Disabilities**

The Libraries Serving Persons with Print Disabilities (LPD) Standing Committee is calling for proposals for its satellite meeting, Aug. 18-19 at Korenbeurs, Schiedam, prior to the World Library and Information Congress (WLIC) [88th IFLA General Conference & Assembly](#).

Please [review](#) the proposal guidelines. Proposals are due March 1 and should be sent to [lpd-satellite@dedicon.nl](mailto:lpd-satellite@dedicon.nl). They will be evaluated by the satellite program committee group, and successful applicants will be informed by April 1.

The LPD will follow WLIC's theme "Let's work together! Let's library!" with a focus on inclusivity and the integration of public library services for persons with print disabilities.

This IFLA WLIC 2023 satellite is organized by IFLA Libraries Serving Persons with Print Disabilities Section in cooperation with the National Library of the Netherlands (KB).

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### **Register for the NNLM Virtual Symposium on Health Misinformation**

Registration is open for the [NNLM Virtual Symposium](#), taking place April 4-6. [Register today!](#)

The 2023 NNLM Virtual Symposium - Health Misinformation will explore both the research behind health misinformation movements and provide practical and evidence-based solutions to support librarians, health educators, and direct care providers in combating the spread of all types of health misinformation.

Keynote speakers will include Kyla Fullenwider, Senior Advisor at the U.S. Office of the Surgeon General; Jevin West, co-author of [Calling Bullshit: Data Reasoning in a Digital World](#); and Amanda Wilson, Alla Keselman, and Catherine Arnot Smith, editors of the book [Combating Online Health Misinformation: A Professional's Guide to Helping the Public](#).

All sessions will be recorded and available on the symposium platform for up to 30 days and posted on the NNLM YouTube channel. Participants can earn Medical Library Association (MLA) continuing education credits. Learn more at <https://nnlm23.vfairs.com/en/faq-page>.

## News & Notes

### WSL: English Learner Collection Development Mini-Grants

The Washington State Library has a collection development mini-grant pilot program for English language learner materials at community and technical college (CTC) libraries. The grants will fund up to \$500 for up to 10 CTC libraries to create or augment collections of books for adult English learners. The **application closes March 1**.

For more information and to apply, visit the [English Learner Collection Development Mini-Grant page](#). If you have any questions, please email [claire.imamura@sos.wa.gov](mailto:claire.imamura@sos.wa.gov)



### 8th Annual Washington State Zine Contest

[The Washington State Zine Contest](#), open to all ages, is a [Washington Center for the Book](#), The Seattle Public Library, and Timberland Regional Library partnership. **Submissions for the contest are due Feb 24.**

Visit the Washington Center for the Book site for contest entry forms, submission guidelines, and downloadable posters.

If you have questions or would like help promoting this contest in your community, email [Sara Peté](#).



## Would you like to offer an online zine workshop for your community?

UW Library and Information Science graduate students Erin Shapland and Zach Wagman have a passion for local publishing and the creative process. They will show your patrons how to create their own zine and — for those who are interested in sharing their creations — how to submit to projects like "Sheltered in Place: COVID-19 Zine Diaries Project."

For more information or to schedule a zine workshop for your community, contact them directly at [eks15105@uw.edu](mailto:eks15105@uw.edu) and [zbwagman@uw.edu](mailto:zbwagman@uw.edu).

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## Get to Know Humanities Washington!

Washington organizations: Come meet (or re-meet) Humanities Washington! They offer a wide range of support to help you host humanities programming in your community, from funding for your humanities projects, to family reading programs and exciting speakers.

Join one of two meet-and-greet opportunities on March 2 for a brief overview of their programs and to connect with their staff.

- For 12 p.m. Meet and Greet, [register here](#).
- For 7 p.m. Meet and Greet, [register here](#).

The programs will be hosted by Sarah Faulkner, Program Manager, Speakers Bureau and Live Events; Jera Lego, Project Manager, Prime Time Family Reading; and Violeta Martin, Grant and Outreach Manager.

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# THE BRAIN NEVER STOPS

THE POWER OF READING AT  
GREEN HILL ACADEMIC SCHOOL LIBRARY

FEBRUARY - JUNE, 2023



## UW Capstone Project Seeks to Provide Support for School Library

As part of their capstone project with the University of Washington iSchool, three WLA members and MLIS students are partnering with the [Green Hill Academic School Library](#) in Chehalis and project sponsor Julie Forbes to inspire



support and reach the goal of purchasing 200 new books for the library.

Green Hill is a library located within Washington State's [only fully-fenced maximum/medium security juvenile detention center](#), serving young men aged 17 to 25 years old. A compilation of books requested by residents are included on the library's [Amazon Wishlist](#).

Also part of the capstone project is raising awareness of the vital role that libraries and reading for pleasure play, as well as reading's particular impact on the mental health and development of growing minds in correctional facilities.

Previously, Green Hill served young men between the ages of 15 and 21 years old. Through advocacy, working with elected officials, and bringing awareness to recent research, Green Hill residents helped change state law to allow juvenile offenders to stay in youth detention centers until the age of 25.

## The Learning Curve

### **SJSU Presents A Celebration of Black History Month: Equity in Libraries, 2023 and Beyond**

Please join the SJSU School of Information for an online symposium in celebration of Black History Month on **Feb 23, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.** [Register to attend here](#).

The theme is "Making a Successful Entry into the Profession." The event will feature a moderator welcome by past ALA President and Director of Library Services at Winston-Salem State University, [Wanda Brown](#); keynote address by Professional Development DEI Coordinator of the Association of Southeastern Research Libraries [Elaine Norlin](#); and a panel discussion, *Applied EDI in LIS Settings*, featuring:

- [Michael Crumpton](#) – Affiliated Faculty Library & Information Science Department / Interim Dean of the University Libraries
- [Kelvin Watson](#) – Executive Director, Las Vegas-Clark County Library District
- [Dominique Dozier](#) – Student Success Librarian, Santa Clara University
- [Binnie Wilkin](#) - Storyteller and founding member of the American Library Association's Black Caucus
- [Dr. Stephanie Brasley](#) – Dean of the University Library at California State University, Dominguez Hills

This symposium is co-sponsored by the [California Librarians Black Caucus](#).

## Demonstrate your Library's Influence with Analytics"

Becoming a library that can respond to user needs and demonstrating your influence on the overall academic mission is an operational "gold standard." However, the lack of robust data analytics causes libraries to miss key evidence of user engagement, holding them back from reaching a synergistic relationship with students and administrators.

Join this Library Journal webcast on **Feb 28 at 11 a.m.** to learn strategies for leveraging data to improve conversations with academic administrators and understand library user behavior. [Register here.](#)

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### Solar Eclipse Activities for Libraries (SEAL) Project Workshop

Saturday, March 18: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.: Kennewick Library – [Register Here](#)

Monday, March 20: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.: Puyallup Library – [Register Here](#)

Attendees will receive hands-on training on operating solar telescopes and other methods for direct and indirect solar viewing, best practices for developing and facilitating STEM programs, and how to engage with community partners and library-specific digital resource networks. STAR Net facilitators, bringing many years of experience building the STEM capacity of public library staff, will work with each state library to customize the workshop experience based on the needs and interests of public libraries within that state. These workshops will use materials from the circulation kits and highlight best practices in using those materials but the strategies, activities and resources shared during the workshop will be useful to attendees whether they have access to a circulation kit or not.

The goals of these solar science workshops are to help library staff:

1. Build off the excitement of the 2023 and 2024 solar eclipses, and engage their patrons in solar science activities
2. Safely and effectively facilitate direct (e.g. solar telescope and Sunoculars) and indirect methods of safe solar viewing
3. Develop and facilitate exciting and interactive STEM programming at their library

Lunch will be provided by STARNet. Masks are not required, but encouraged.

*Have news to share? Please send it to the WLA office at [newsletter@wla.org](mailto:newsletter@wla.org) by Monday to be included in that week's digest.*

*It's a great time to become a member of the Washington Library Association. [Join](#) or [Renew](#) your membership today!*



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