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Legislative Day Registration Opens November 6

Join us in Olympia on February 5 for the WA Library Legislative Day, sponsored by WLA! This is a great opportunity to network with library supporters from around the state and meet with state legislators and their staff to discuss the value of libraries and the impact laws have on them. This event is free to attend. Online registration will open November 6, 2019.

Deadline Approaching for Program Proposals: WLA Virtual Conference

#WLAVirtual2020

Do you work in Marketing & Communications, in Professional Development, or with Emergent Technologies? We are now
Camas Public Library is seeking a Library Associate. The position is open until October 25.

Vancouver Mall Library is seeking a Branch Manager. The position is open until November 11.

The Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation is seeking a Data Library Curator. The position is open until filled.

Spokane County Library District is seeking an Education and Enrichment Librarian. The position is open until November 8.

The Pacific Northwest Library Association (PNLA) lists job openings frequently. You can also browse WLA institutional members' postings here.

If you have a current posting for libraries in the WLA community you would like to submit, please email us and indicate "For WLA Wednesday" in the subject line.

Deadline Approaching for Program Proposals: WLA Academic Library Conference

We’re now accepting program proposals for the WLA Academic Library Conference! CLAWS (College Libraries Across Washington State) and ALD (Academic Library Division) will come together with their first-ever conference. This all-day event will be held on March 20, 2020, at Central Washington University in Ellensburg. Submit your proposals here!

The conference theme of "Deep Roots, New Growth" seeks to cultivate the fruit of academic library work while staying grounded in an ever-changing library environment. We find ourselves at a crossroads of new and emerging ways of accessing information in academic libraries and continuously challenging the library image on campus, while also staying connected to the bedrock principles of libraries. How do we remain responsive to a changing student population, as well as increasing focus on diversity and inclusion? How can we grow with the culture of our campus patrons and rise to meet the future needs of teaching and learning?

Proposals are due no later than Tuesday, October 29. Applicants will be notified of their proposal status by Tuesday, November 12.

Please direct questions to the WLA office at info@wla.org or (206) 823-1138.

Submissions Open for ALA Midwinter and ALA Annual Conference Scholarships

The American Library Association (ALA) is accepting applications for EBSCO-sponsored scholarships to librarians who wish to attend ALA’s Midwinter Meeting and Annual Conference. The scholarships are given annually to allow more librarians access to the professional development and networking opportunities that an ALA conference offers. Read more here.

National Friends of the Libraries Week

Save the Date: 2020 WLA Conference
This year's national Friends of Libraries Week is October 20-26. Read more about this week here.

**Multicultural Children's Literature Celebration with Antioch University**

Antioch University Seattle’s annual "Multicultural Children's Literature Celebration (MCLC)," is an event from their Social Justice Literacy Institute, working to support students' greater access to meet authors of color, especially literature that helps our communities act on social justice issues and content, and for students to see, hear, and engage with authors, first hand. Antioch has announced R. Gregory Christie as their 2020 guest artist illustrator coming to Seattle March 2-6! Schools pay only his assembly/workshop fee of $2,600 for the full day of working with students. Please contact Christie Kaaland with questions or to schedule hosting R. Gregory Christie in your school. Antioch University will schedule his week on a first-come, first served basis.

**First Tuesdays: WSL Digital Newspapers**

Join Shawn Schollmeyer, Washington Digital Newspaper Coordinator for the Washington State Library (WSL), on November 5, 9:00 to 10:00 am, for First Tuesdays as she shows off the new Washington Digital Newspapers website. Shawn will be discussing the state newspaper program and participation in the National Digital Newspaper Program grant from National Endowment for the Humanities. She will also spend a little bit of time showing off Digital Collections programs that can be viewed on the State Library website.

#LibrariansofWASate and #LibraryWorkersofWASate

Save the date for the 2020 WLA Conference!

When: October 7-10, 2020
Where: Spokane Convention Center

A request for conference proposals will be sent out in early 2020. Stay tuned for more details.

**CAYAS Fall Workshop: Diversify Your Services, Refocus Your STEM Lens**

Registration is now open for the CAYAS Fall Workshop! Join public and school library professionals for a day of learning! Discover strategies for using Children’s & Young Adult Literature to engage readers of all ages with discussions about diversity, equity, and inclusion. Be introduced to new story time practices and new books for youth. Learn about providing STEM programming in a library setting. This workshop is appropriate for anyone serving ages 0 through 18 in libraries. Breakfast and snacks provided. Lunch on your own. Learn more and register here.

**Webinar: The Global Impact of Academic Libraries**

What can academic libraries do to help build a better and more sustainable future for the world? Organized by Cornell University Library, this four-part webinar series brings together librarians and thought-leaders around the world to address the toughest issues facing the planet as outlined by the United Nations’ Sustainable Development Goals.
The Washington State Library is encouraging library workers to use #LibrariansofWAState and #LibraryWorkersofWAState hashtags to help tell the ever-changing stories of libraries of Washington State. Fun pictures and short blurbs about staff members of all sorts involved in projects in WA libraries if all types and sizes can be posted to these hashtags on social media.

Lit Crawl Seattle on Thursday, October 24

Think of Lit Crawl Seattle as a free cool reading at your favorite bar, times about 30. For one beautiful and awesomely weird night, over 80 Pacific Northwest readers and artists fill Capitol and First Hill bars with stories ranging from oyster foraging to the Jesus movement, photography of Seattle outcasts and innocents, to odes to football and salt.

In 2019, you'll have 5 phases of programming to choose from: 5:00-5:45 pm, 6-6:45 pm, 7:00-7:45 pm, 8:00-8:45 pm, and 9:00-9:45 pm, plus literary shenanigans at the after party at 10:00 pm.

OLA Quarterly Seeking Submissions

The Oregon Library Association Quarterly is seeking submissions for the Winter 2020 issue. The OLAQ is a professional journal that showcases the writing and work of library employees in Oregon, and is indexed in LIS databases. The theme for the Winter issue is Connecting to Community through Collections. Potential authors are invited to email Karen Clay with their questions and ideas.

2019 Special Library Association PNW Winter Reception

Please join the Special Library Association for the annual Winter Reception, to be held again this year at the Folio, the Seattle Athenaeum, at historic Pike Place Market. Refreshments & heavy appetizers will be served. Members of the WLA Special Library Division can receive member-rate pricing for this event.

This free webinar will take place Friday, October 25 from 7:00 am–8:00 am PT. You can learn more or register here.

Webinar: How Public Libraries are Graduating Adults

Career Online High School is an accredited high school completion program that provides graduates with a high school diploma (not a GED) and an entry-level career certificate in one of 10 high-demand employment fields.

Our panelists will share why they chose the program—how it aligns with their library’s mission, outcomes achieved, and how community partnerships can play a role. They will also give insight into day-to-day program operations and reveal how Career Online High School has affected the lives of their students and graduates.

This free webinar will take place Monday, November 4 from 9:00 am–10:00 pm PT. You can learn more or register here.

New Jersey Library Association Conference: Now Accepting Program Proposals

The New Jersey Library Association Conference will be held on May 27-29, 2020. The 2020 NJLA Conference theme, Know Your Why, will focus on why we do what we do. The program proposal form must be filled out completely and submitted online by Friday, November 29.

Olympia Zine Fest

The fifth annual Olympia Zine Fest is October 25-27, 2019! The expo is on Saturday, October 26, at the Olympia Center. The full event schedule is up. Check out this year’s guests of honor (two!) and featured artist.

Have news to share? Please send it to the WLA office by Monday to be included in that week’s digest. Please include “For WLA Wednesday” in the subject line.