WLA2023 Advance Registration Closes Tomorrow!

Only one more week until WLA2023! There's still time to register before the advance deadline tomorrow, March 23! 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.

Author Breakfast featuring keynote speaker Aiden Thomas!

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.

Virtual Access

Not able to make it to Wenatchee for the in-person conference? Register for virtual-only access! Virtual access includes access to the app, virtual sessions, and select livestreamed events. Learn more and view the virtual programming here. Access to the app and virtual programming will remain available through June 30.

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

Alki Call for Papers: WLA All Day

Alki’s Summer issue submission window opens today!

Alki Summer issues are dedicated to the WLA community goings-on. The Spring conference is the biggest WLA event of the year but it’s not the only event of the year. Here is your chance to showcase your involvement in the Washington library community. Submissions are due on May 30.

Some topic examples:

- Division, section, or committee activities
- March WLA conference
- Statements from scholarship, award, and grant winners past and present
- Unofficial member gatherings or events
- Whatever you have to say about WLA!

Creative pieces, art, and photos are always encouraged.
Sign up for your spot today by emailing your name and a working title of your proposed piece to alkieditor@wla.org.

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**ALD/ACRL-WA Drop-in Discussion**

Libraries and library workers find some of their best work in collaboration. In this discussion, we are exploring partnerships – both formal and informal, both internal to the school and the library, as well as external. What projects have you collaborated on and contributed to? How do you establish and sustain relationships with individuals and organizations? Bring your stories and your questions to our next drop-in discussion!

This discussion will be held Thursday, April 13, 12-1pm. Please log in to the WLA Member Calendar to access the Zoom link.

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**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](#).

Bethel School District is seeking to fill two [Teacher - Library Media Specialist](#) positions.

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

King County Library System is seeking three [Librarian and Information Services Managers](#).

Kitsap Regional Library is seeking a [Branch Manager](#).

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

NCW Libraries is seeking a [Branch Librarian (Okanogan)](#).

Neill Public Library (Pullman) is seeking a [full-time Adult Services Manager](#).

Pacific Lutheran University is seeking a [Dean of the Library](#).

Seattle Central College is seeking a [Full-time Faculty Tenure-Track Librarian](#).
Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking a Library Associate at Large, West District and a Library Associate.

Spokane Community College is seeking a Faculty Librarian - Tenure-Track and a Library Circulation Supervisor.

Tigard Public Library is seeking a Youth Services Supervisor.

The Oregon Tech Library is seeking a Technical Services and Systems Librarian.

Washington State Library is seeking a Branch Librarian, a Library Associate (Prison Libraries), and a Serials Cataloger.

Whatcom County Library System is seeking a full-time Adult Programming Coordinator.

Whitworth University is seeking a Public Services & Circulation Supervisor.

UW Tacoma is seeking a Business and User Experience Librarian.

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

Conference Bulletin

Deadline Extended for 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. The deadline for proposals has been extended to March 25. and should be sent to 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).

PNLA 2024 Call for Proposals Open!

The Pacific Northwest Library Association (PNLA) conference committee is accepting proposals for the PNLA 2023 conference, Connecting our Communities, to be held August 2-5 in Moscow, Idaho. The proposal form as well as conference details can be found here.

For questions, please email debkplna@hotmail.com.

PLA 2024 Call for Proposals Open!

The Public Library Association (PLA) is headed to Columbus, OH, April 3–5, 2024, to host the premier event for public libraries—PLA Conference! In a profession that is constantly changing and adapting to new challenges, public library workers need the tools and resources to stay a step ahead. That's why PLA offers over 100 top-quality education sessions—curated by public libraries for public libraries—that foster innovation, inclusion, and collaboration.

Submit a proposal to share your idea for a workshop or program session! Proposals for both in-person and virtual programs are being accepted. The deadline for submitting proposals is May 1, at 2:59 pm PST.

Before getting started, please preview the proposal form and check out the recommendations for developing a great proposal.

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](https://nnlm23.vfairs.com/en/faq-page).

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**News & Notes**

**Prevent Child Abuse Washington State Chapter Distributing Child Abuse Prevention Month Materials to Libraries**

The Prevent Child Abuse Washington state chapter, housed within the Department of Children, Youth & Families will be distributing free materials to libraries for April, which Gov. Inslee has declared as Child Abuse Prevention month. They have coloring books, stickers, poster kits, seeds, temporary tattoos and other items available for free, and will mail out to any libraries in the state that would be interested in distributing to families. They also have digital copies of the coloring pages that are available for families or libraries to print out here.

If you have any questions please contact kyra.ingraham@dcyf.wa.gov.

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**Washington State Book Award: Upcoming Readings**

The Washington State Book Awards, a partnership of the Washington Center for the Book (administered by Washington State Library) and The Seattle Public Library, bring you two new readings in April:

Join Elsa Sjunneson, Washington State Book Award winner and author of "Being Seen: One DeafBlind Woman’s Fight to End Ableism." Sjunneson will read from her book and take questions from the audience on **April 6 at 7pm**.

You can join in person at WTBBL, 2021 9th Ave., Seattle, WA 98121, or streaming live via Zoom. Registration is required to receive the event Zoom link.

Join Tukwila resident Sharon Hashimoto, winner of the 2022 Washington State Book Award for Poetry, as she shares excerpts from "More American" at the
Tukwila Branch of KCLS, April 8, 2 p.m.

This work portrays the realities of assimilation, service, and internment experienced by Japanese Americans during and in the decades following the World War II. Join the event in person at the library or register to get the Zoom link.

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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. They have reached 60 percent of their goal and need your help crossing the finish line!

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.

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The Learning Curve

Margaret Read McDonald's "Playing with Story" Workshop
Notable children's author and former librarian Dr. Margaret Read MacDonald is offering one of her Playing with Story workshops in-person this spring!

Sponsored by the Seattle Storytelling Guild, this workshop will be held Saturday, May 13 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Huntington Park Community Clubhouse in Des Moines, WA.

$30 at the door will include lunch and a copy of *Teaching with Story: Classroom Connections to Storytelling*, co-authored by Dr. MacDonald with classroom teacher Jennifer MacDonald Whitman and school librarian Nathaniel Forrest Whitman.

To register or for questions, please email mrm@margaretreadmacdonald.com

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**School Librarians Lead Learning and Transformation**

WebJunction, a program of OCLC Research, is offering an in-person workshop that highlights research-based practices and approaches for transforming your school library. The workshop will feature topics such as advocacy, compassionate makerspaces, student-centered learning, and more, with hands-on activities and opportunities for community building and peer learning that will enable you to strengthen the work you do to support and inspire students in your school library. This workshop is open for certified teacher librarians and school library paraeducators, and school library support staff.

**Clock hours will be provided through the Washington State Library.**

Event Logistics:
Saturday, 9:30 am-12:30 pm
Location: Anacortes, Olympia, Spokane
Light snacks and hot beverages will be provided.
Cost: NONE!

Registration Links:
[April 22 (ESD 189 - Anacortes)](#)
[May 6 (ESD 113 - Olympia)](#)
[May 13 (ESD 101 - Spokane)](#)
[May 20 ESD 105, Yakima](#)
2023 Native American Read-In

The 2023 Native American Read-In, co-hosted by the University of Washington Information School and Read-a-Rama will take place on April 16, from 1-2:30 p.m. Come listen to the following speakers:

- **Angeline Boulley** (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Bear Clan from Sugar Island), YA author
- **Cynthia Leitich Smith** (Muscogee Nation), author
- **Tasha Spillett** (Inninewak (Cree) and Trinidadian), author, educator, poet, ceremony woman, and traditional singer
- Mandi Harris (Cherokee), iSchool MLIS alum and iSchool PhD student
- **Tony Duncan** (Apache, Arikara, Hidatsa), hoop dancer & musician
- **Violet Duncan** (Plains Cree, Taino), hoop dancer & author

Additionally, there will be several other authors, illustrators, and entertainers! UW MLIS alum and current Ph.D. student Mandi Harris will emcee the event, and Dr. Cheryl Metoyer, founder of the iSchool’s Native North American Indigenous Knowledge Initiative, will offer an opening reading.

Please come and consider making a donation in support of the event as well. **Register here** to attend.

*Have news to share? Please send it to the WLA office at 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](mailto:join) or [Renew](mailto:renew) your membership today!*

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