



Welcome to WLA Wednesday

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On this day: in 1946, English author Philip Pullman was born

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Making Headlines

Make Your Feline Friend of the Library Famous



Does your library have a resident kitty? Are your stacks stalked by cats and your patrons approached with purrs? *American Libraries*, the magazine of the American Library Association, is interested in hearing your resident library cat stories. If your library has a cat who calls your library home and you would like to share your story, please contact WLA President [Brianna Hoffman](#) by this Friday, October 21.

Look Who's Hiring



The Spokane Public Library is seeking a [Senior Information Technology Director](#). The position is open until filled.

Conference Communiqué

Online Registration for the 2016 WALE Conference May Be Closed, but Onsite Registration Will Be Available!

Western Washington University is looking for an [Information Technology Specialist](#). The position is open until filled.

[The Pacific Northwest Library Association](#) (PNLA) lists job openings every Monday and you can 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.

News & Notes

Apply Now for National Friends of Libraries Week Awards

United for Libraries is sponsoring the 11th annual National Friends of Libraries Week Oct. 16-22, 2016.

Friends of the library groups across the country are celebrating by holding membership drives, book sales and special events, and officials are issuing proclamations to mark Friends of Libraries Week in their town or state. Libraries are also honoring their friends groups and saying "thank you" for all they do for their libraries. Friends groups are being highlighted in local media to demonstrate their importance in the library and community.

United for Libraries encourages friends groups who are celebrating to apply for the National Friends of Libraries Week awards. Two awards of \$250 will be given to friends of the library groups for activities held during the celebration. [Application materials are available here](#). Entries are due by Dec. 2, 2016.

United for Libraries will also be highlighting National Friends of Libraries Week activities in an upcoming newsletter. To submit your activities and photos, email them to united@ala.org.

Free Books for Washington Libraries

Thanks to the generosity of Bellingham Public Library, Seattle Public Library Foundation, and Sno-Isle Libraries Foundation, Washington State Library has dozens of books to distribute to any public or school library within Washington State, including:



This could be the view from *your room!* Thank you to everyone who has already registered. Online registration has now closed, but you will still be able to sign up onsite. [Learn more about the conference here](#).

We look forward to seeing you (and this stunning lake) this weekend at Campbell's Resort!

Thank You from the 2016 HackWLMA Conference Committee



Despite the wet and windy weather warnings, we had a fantastic turnout for this past weekend. The Conference Committee is incredibly grateful to all the presenters, volunteers, attendees, and especially the staff of Highline College, for helping make the last WLMA Conference a memorable one. [Find out what you missed here](#) and stay tuned for highlights from HackWLMA in an upcoming issue of WLA Wednesday.

The Learning Curve

CAYAS Workshop Survey

The board of [CAYAS](#) (Children's & Young Adults Services), a section of WLA, is in the

- *In the Time of Butterflies* by Julia Alvarez
- *The Teahouse Fire* by Ellis Avery
- *The Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown
- *Crisis: 40 Stories Revealing the Personal, Social, and Religious Pain and Trauma of Growing Up Gay in America* by Mitchel Gold
- *A Reliable Wife* by Robert Goolrick
- *Snow Falling on Cedars* by David Guterson
- *The Painter* by Peter Heller
- *Border Songs* by Jim Lynch
- *Dewey: The Small-Town Library Cat Who Touched the World* by Vicki Myron
- *The Tiger's Wife* by Tea Obreht
- *Eats, Shoots & Leaves* by Lynne Truss
- *Fingersmith* by Sarah Waters

...and many more! [View the complete list here.](#)

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If you are interested in any of the titles, please email [Leanna Hammond](#). Please indicate which title(s) and how many of each you would like. If you have any questions about free books redistribution, please contact [Shirley Lewis](#).

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.

process of planning our 2017 Spring workshop, and we would appreciate your feedback.

This is a quick and easy [survey](#) that will help guide us in deciding what type of workshop to offer next Spring. We are eager to get started with the planning, so please complete the survey by October 28.

STEP into Storytime FREE Webinar

ALA Editions announces an exciting free webinar, [STEP into Storytime](#) with Saroj Ghoting and Kathy Klatt. This webinar will last one hour and take place at 11:30am Pacific on Monday, Nov. 7, 2016.

Have you wondered how to adapt an action song or fingerplay for different age levels? Or are you looking for ideas on how to adapt flannel board activities or books for various age levels? In this [free 60-minute webinar](#), authors of [*STEP into Storytime: Using StoryTime Effective Practice to Strengthen the Development of Newborn to Five-Year-Olds*](#) Saroj Ghoting and Kathy Klatt will teach you how! Using theories discussed in their book, they'll provide an overview on how child development informs what we do in storytimes and provide models for presenting mixed age storytime. You'll come out of the webinar with ideas to apply to your storytimes for children of all ages.

Participants will receive a coupon for Saroj Ghoting and Kathy Klatt's book [*STEP into Storytime: Using StoryTime Effective Practice to Strengthen the Development of Newborn to Five-Year-Olds*](#). Don't miss your chance—register today!