Welcome to

WLA Wednesday

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On this day: in 1901, the first tennis table tournament is held at the London Royal Aquarium

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Making Headlines

WLA Now Accepting Program Proposals for ALL 2017 Conferences

Program proposals are now being accepted for ALL 2017 WLA Conferences. All proposals from academic, public, school and special library staff, advocates and community partners will be considered. Now is the time to reach out to the dynamic presenters in your communities or share your own skills and experience by leading a Session or Workshop at one or more of these 2017 events:

WLA Learn Local! One Day Conferences
April 7 in Seattle (Thanks to The Seattle Public Library for being our site sponsor!)
April 28 in Yakima (Thanks to Yakima Valley College for being our site sponsor!)
April 29 in Spokane (Thanks to Spokane Public Library for being our site sponsor!)

WLA Annual Conference
November 1-4, Tacoma's Hotel Murano

- Proposals are due no later than Tuesday, January 31.
- The person who submitted the proposal will be notified of the outcome by February 10.
- Programs on all topics of relevance to libraries of any kind are sought, from 75 minute sessions to 3-4 hour workshops.
- The form allows you to select your preferred conference dates and locations.
- Presenters are encouraged to request permission from their employers to attend the conference(s) before submitting proposals.
- To submit a program proposal, please use this form. To submit multiple proposals, use a new form for each program.
You may direct questions to the WLA office at info@wla.org or (206) 823-1138. We look forward to receiving your proposals!

### Look Who's Hiring

The City of Anacortes has openings for an **Information Systems Technician** and a **Library Assistant**. Don't delay, as the deadline to apply for both is December 15.

The State of Washington Employment Security Department is seeking a **Senior Training Consultant**. Application review begins December 19.

The Pacific Northwest Library Association is looking for an **Editor**. The deadline to apply is December 30.

The Museum of History and Industry is seeking a **Temporary Library Specialist**. The position is open until filled.

The Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation is looking for a **Data Indexer**. 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](mailto:) us and indicate "For WLA Wednesday" in the subject line.

### News & Notes

**National Museum and Library Services Board Gains Five New and One Returning Member**

Beth Takekawa is executive director of the Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience (The Wing). Takekawa served as The Wing’s chief executive officer in 2007 and was associate director from 1997 to 2006. She was appointed by the Governor of Washington to serve as a commissioner on

### Conference Communiqué

**Looking Forward to Learning Local? So Are We!**

Learn Local! is a new approach to conferences that WLA is offering in the form of three separate, one-day events in April 2017, and we are excited to offer more local, affordable options for continuing education for our members and the WA library community at large. We are especially grateful to our three site sponsors, The Seattle Public Library, Yakima Valley College, and the Spokane Public Library for serving as the location hosts.

Each Learn Local will have enough variation that you can attend one or all. We encourage you to submit program proposals for these regional days of learning, and to share this [Request for Proposals](#) with your library-related networks, program partners, advocate organizations and with any colleagues who may not be WLA members.

There are many ways to participate: as presenters, attendees, volunteers, and sponsors. More information about these three events (and how you can be a part of it all!) will be available in the coming weeks on the WLA website. We look forward to Learning Local with YOU!

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**The Learning Curve**

**The 2017 CAYAS Winter Workshop - Spanish Language Boot Camp for Youth Services Library Professionals**

Kick off the year at this fun, interactive workshop designed to give you the confidence and vocabulary to talk to Spanish speaking patrons about why libraries matter to youth. This workshop was developed by a librarian for librarians who have little to no Spanish language skills. You will learn mini-conversations you can use as a starting point for outreach to patrons who may not be aware of the full scope of services your library offers. You will leave with a set resources to help remember what you learned, and tools you can use to continue learning Spanish on your own. Presented by Kathy Smargiassi,
the Washington State Arts Commission from 2009 to 2015, and serves on the board of the Downtown Seattle Association and International District Emergency Center. She is a 2011 Salzburg Global Seminars fellow and was a member on the National Planning Committee for the Minidoka National Historic Site. Takekawa attended the University of Minnesota Twin-Cities and received a B.A. from Hunter College of the City University of New York. (Term expires December 6, 2021)

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Pacific Northwest Library Association
Requests Proposals for PNLA Quarterly Editor

The Pacific Northwest Library Association (PNLA) is requesting proposals from individuals seeking consideration to become the next Editor of the PNLA Quarterly.

PNLA is currently co-edited by Leila Sterman and Jan Zauha. After a brief hiatus, the journal is in the process of returning to its regular four times a year publication. Librarians, and other library workers are encouraged to submit articles, reviews, programs, and presentation summaries specifically related to librarianship in the Pacific Northwest Region. Individuals submitting articles have the option to request peer review. Currently there are four regular columns and rich article content from the Pacific Northwest region. The journal has recently been migrated to its current digital home at Montana State University. The current editors will work with the new editor(s) to ensure a smooth transition over the course of their first published issue.

The Editor(s) reports to the PNLA Board. Editorship will be for a period of two years beginning mid-winter 2017. This term is renewable for an additional two year cycle based upon approval of the PNLA Board of Directors at their Annual meeting in August of 2019. The Editor(s) will receive an honorarium of $750.00 for each issue of the PNLA Quarterly (up to four issues a year) and a travel stipend to the annual PNLA conference. Preference will be given to those applicants in the Information Science Field, those working in the Pacific Northwest, and to past/current members of PNLA.

Please click here for the full job listing and proposal requirements. The deadline to apply is December 30.

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Children’s Librarian and Translator for Sno-Isle Libraries.

As a result of this event, participants will understand and/or be able to:

- Communicate with Spanish speaking patrons about why libraries matter for kids and teens
- Make Spanish speaking patrons feel more welcome in the library
- Engage patrons in simple conversations in Spanish
- Use youth services-oriented library vocabulary
- Have a set of tools to support continued learning
- Develop language skills and a community of fellow learners!

Registration is limited to 24; don’t delay- sign up today!

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Deadline Extended to Submit Proposals to the Washington State Canvas Conference

The deadline for proposal submissions to the annual Washington State Canvas Conference has been extended to January 10, 2017.

The annual Washington State Canvas Conference will be held March 30-31, 2017, at Tacoma Community College. Everyone is invited to submit, including out-of-state guests, and especially librarians to present on OER, one of the sub-tracks of the conference.

Even if you are not a Canvas LMS school, there is still a lot to glean from this conference. Canvas offers a free account to anyone via Free for Teachers and the Canvas Commons repository that can be accessed via Free for Teachers has a lot of OER content.

Additionally, there will be sessions on engagement, accessibility, coding, and outcomes that relate to any LMS use. The conference is affordable and a great opportunity for regional collaboration.

The deadline for submission has been extended to January 10, 2017, and you can find all the details here: https://wa-cc.com/

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Save the Date! ACRL Research Data Management workshop April 10, 2017
In last week's WLA Wednesday's announcement of the Reynolds Graduate Scholarship Award we used the wrong pronouns for Sunny Kim. Sunny uses they, them, and theirs. We apologize for this error.

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.

The Inland Northwest Health Science Libraries group, in collaboration with libraries at Washington State University, Eastern Washington University, Gonzaga University and area hospitals is bringing the Association of College and Research Libraries workshop, Building Your Research Data Management Toolkit, to Gonzaga University’s Hemmingson Center in Spokane on Monday, April 10th, 2017, from 8:30am to 5pm.

A grant from the NNLM Pacific Northwest Region will cover cost of the workshop, materials, and speaker expenses. There will be a nominal registration fee to cover lunch and beverages during the day.

The primary audience is subject liaison librarians. Secondary audiences include senior library administrators, middle management and department heads, and technical services librarians and staff. Other campus partners such as Office of Research, Sponsored Programs, Technology Transfer, IRB, or campus IT may be interested but would be a tertiary audience.

Online registration will open after the first of the year.