



Welcome to **WLA Wednesday**

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On this day: In 1924, the first crossword puzzle book is published by Simon & Schuster.

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Making Headlines

Summer *Alki* Call for Submissions

It's time to submit article ideas for the next issue of *Alki*! The theme for Summer 2018 is "What Nobody Ever Tells You About Working in Libraries." Did you learn more on your first day of work than in two years of your MLIS program? Do you still have to educate friends and family on what modern libraries are all about? As a page (or specialist or associate) do you have a bird's-eye view of what we're doing well -- or not?

And to take a deeper dive, what do the things you've learned behind the scenes say about libraries moving forward?

Please send your article idea(s) to alkieditor@wla.org and include:

- Your name and position/library
- Description of the article
- Suggested title
- Estimated length (in pages); each page = 750 words (or fewer with graphics)
- Intent to include graphics (photo, logo, other)
- Contact information

Deadline for articles is Monday, June 4. Article ideas that fall outside of the theme are also encouraged!

[Look Who's Hiring](#)

[Conference Communiqué](#)

**Mark Your Calendars:
2019 OLA-WLA Conference**



Tacoma Public Library is seeking a [Community Relations Officer](#). Applications close May 7.

Auburn School District is seeking an [Elementary Librarian](#). Applications close April 27.

Whatcom County Library System is seeking a [Teen Librarian](#). Applications close May 25.

North Olympic Library System is seeking a [Customer Service Specialist](#). Applications close April 30.

[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.

News & Notes

ALA Announces 2018 Election Winners

[ALA election results](#) are in and Washington is well represented. Congratulations to Rhonda Gould (Walla Walla Rural County Library District), Alpha DeLap (St. Thomas School), Betha Gutsche (OCLC/WebJunction), Audrey Barbakoff (Kitsap Regional Library), Whitney Buccicone (University of Washington), Christina Pryor (University of Washington), and Cecelia McGowan (King County Library System)! Also congrats to Josephine Camarillo (Ellensburg Public Library) for her election to VP of the [Collaborative Summer Library Program](#) (CSLP)!

New Makerspace from KCLS

Last week, King County Library System opened a makerspace with a \$100,000 grant from Google. The new ideaX Makerspace stakes out 3,000 square feet on the first floor



We wish the Oregon Library Association luck in their [2018 OLA Conference](#) this week!

If you're not able to make the trip down to Eugene this week, you'll have another opportunity to meet up with your Oregon colleagues in 2019. Next year, our two associations will unite for our joint 2019 OLA-WLA Conference in Vancouver, WA! Don't forget to mark your calendars.

April 15-20, 2019
Hilton, Vancouver, WA

The Learning Curve

Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) Partners Up

When you think of the summer reading collaborative or CSLP, you probably think of the slogan, the manual and the incentives catalog. CSLP has just announced partnerships with three nationwide groups, the National Libraries of Medicine, StarNet and PBS' Inquire Within to provide even more in-depth resources for libraries.

On May 17 at 9:00 am, click on [this link](#) to hear what these new partners offer for programming support -- whether for a summer event or for next month's drop-in after school program.

Read-a-Rama Teacher Camp

[Read-a-Rama](#), a non-profit in the Seattle area, has been using children's books as the springboard for programming since 2001 and has thus far offered seven summers of camp for children ages 4-11. Teacher Camp, based on the same full-engagement model, will focus on literary and visual analysis of excellent and diverse children's books, expanding the

of the Bellevue branch. Patrons can explore making robots, building electronic circuits, creating digital music, and learning to code. The grant will also allow expansion of mobile services to deliver ideaX STEAM education programs across the county to underserved patrons. [Learn more about the makerspace here!](#)

ALA Nominating Committee Seeks Candidates for 2019 Election

The Nominating Committee for the 2019 ALA election is [soliciting nominees](#) to run on the 2019 spring ballot for the offices of ALA President-elect, Treasurer, and Councilor-at-large.

The Nominating Committee will select two candidates to run for President-elect, two candidates to run for Treasurer, and no fewer than 50 candidates for the 33 at-large Council seats to be filled in the 2019 spring election.

ALA members who wish to make nominations should submit the following information: nominee name; present position; institution; address; telephone; and e-mail address. Self-nominations are encouraged. All potential nominees must complete the Potential Candidate Biographical Form found [here](#). You will be asked to create an account to access the form. Nominations and forms must be received no later than July 11, 2018.

Tales and Tunes: A Bushwick Benefit



As The Bushwick Book Club (Seattle) guides its eighth mainstage season to the finish line and Learning with STYLE: Songwriting Through Youth Literature Education continues to connect passions for music and reading in school settings, Bushwick Northwest seeks your help in carrying this work forward. After the success of their inaugural Tunes & Tales fundraiser gala in 2017, they're doing it again on May 12, 2018.

experience of books with hands-on, interactive activities, and reflecting on these texts to bring books to life for students with music, movement, and STEAM activities. Teacher Camp will take place May 19, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm at Compass on Dexter, 756 John Street in Seattle. [Register here!](#)

Beyond the Memes: Social Media Evaluation

If you engage users on social media, you know that it takes a lot of time and effort- but how do you know if your hard work is paying off? Join the PNR Rendezvous webinar where you will learn the basics about social media analytics, and how to use the data to evaluate social media campaigns and programs. You will also learn the basic principles of evaluation, such as creating realistic outcomes and objectives for your social media activities. After this PNR Rendezvous, you'll be able to evaluate and report on your social media activities, and have a basic understanding of evaluation principles.

Tune in April 16, 1:00 pm PT. Registration is encouraged. The session will be recorded and posted soon after the live session. [Learn more and register here.](#)

EdCamp Puget Sound

The next [EdCamp Puget Sound](#) will be held Saturday, May 5, at Annie Wright Schools in Tacoma from 9:00 am – 3 pm. EdCamp Puget Sound is a biannual unconference for educators.

A NCCE Conference Full Registration will be given away as a door prize. This is a great way for school library staff to partner with regional colleagues and come together for professional development. Please invite your colleagues to learn with other librarians at EdCamps across the state.

ProQuest Trainer Available

Jeff Cutler, the ProQuest trainer assigned to Washington State, will be available for in-person training sessions during the following periods:

Come enjoy food, drink, song, and story as they celebrate another year delivering literature, music, and songwriting to the Seattle community while building the next generation of musicians and readers. They'll share how we've used donor support to reach further, and how they plan to grow. And if you can't make the event itself, you can still chip in - every contribution helps! [Get tickets here.](#)

Virtual National Library Legislative Day

ALA's National Library Legislative Day is held each spring in Washington, D.C. This year, National Library Legislative Day will be May 7-8, 2018. Can't make it to D.C.? Participate from home with Virtual Library Legislative Day.

As in past years virtual participants will have access to the policy briefing in Washington. A link to the livestream will be made available before May 7, along with other briefing materials. This year you will also receive an Advocacy Toolkit that includes example projects, sample social media posts and graphics, letter templates, tips for maximizing your advocacy efforts on all platforms, and more. [Sign up here!](#)

2018 Evergreen Winner

The [Evergreen Teen Book Award](#) Committee and the Washington Young Adult Review Group are excited to announce our 2018 Evergreen Teen Book Award winner, *Everything, Everything* by Nicola Yoon. Also receiving a number of votes were *All American Boys* by Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely and *Simon Vs. The Homo Sapiens Agenda* by Becky Albertalli.

Check out the 2019 nominees [here](#). Booktalks are being added, and information about a new system of voting for your favorites will be coming soon.

Have you read a book with Evergreen potential? Is it from the 2017 copyright year? [Click here](#) to nominate your favorites. Feel free to share the nomination form with your teen readers, because we want to hear their voices.

- May 1 – May 4
- May 7 – May 11

Jeff is a seasoned master trainer, and you and your staff will definitely benefit from attending one of his sessions. He is happy to schedule meetings ranging from 1 – 3 hours, focusing on any of the options listed below, based on what a library feels would most benefit their local needs, with the purpose of encouraging greater exposure to and usage of the resources.

Available topics include:

- Question and Answer session on ProQuest resources
- Examples of when to search which resource for most effective results
- General introductory / overview training (usually will be longer sessions, unless specific databases are focused on)
- ProQuest Administrator Module (specifically what you can do with the ProQuest Administrator Module for ProQuest platform databases)
- Update training – What's new across the resources
- Custom – content / functions covered by request

To make arrangements for a session, contact Jeff Cutler, regional Training and Consulting Partner, by phone or text at 801-455-9775, or via email at jeffrey.cutler@proquest.com. To see currently scheduled times on any of the associated training dates, please go to the [ProQuest Washington State Database LibGuide](#) and review the associated tabs at the top section of the page. Appointments on the tabs are updated daily.

Leadership Basecamp: Upskilling for the Next Generation



On May 5, The Seattle Public Library is hosting the *School Library Journal's* Leadership Basecamp – Upskilling for the Next Generation, is a full-day, intensive professional development program designed to foster the next generation of school and youth librarians who are ready to accelerate

YALSA Future Ready - Call for Participating Libraries

This is a great opportunity to receive funds, training and support to help middle schoolers prepare for college and careers.

Do you work with youth in a small, rural, or tribal library? Would you like to help middle schoolers start to think about how they can turn what they love to do and are interested in into a career? Do you want to join with your community members to support the success of middle school youth and their families? Are you interested in learning more about teens, community engagement, connected learning, and college and career readiness?

If you answered "yes" to the above questions then it's time for you to consider applying to participate in the third cohort of YALSA's Future Ready with the Library IMLS funded project. The application period is now open and the deadline is May 15. Learn more [here](#) and [here](#).

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.

their path to leadership, and want to upskill to meet their goals. More information and registration is available [here](#).

Momentum Festival



The Bainbridge Island Museum of Art has announced the arrival of [Momentum](#) - a month-long program of insightful and interesting contemporary voices in music, spoken word, poetry, and the lively arts. From spoken word to hip hop, classical music to foreign film, Momentum covers a wide range of perspectives, origins, and disciplines, woven together with a focus on new voices, unexpected topics and fresh takes in arts, culture, and humanities.

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