On this day: In 1866, the US House of Representatives passes the Fourteenth Amendment, granting all citizens "equal protection of the laws."

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MAKING HEADLINES

Ijeoma Oluo to Keynote 2018 WLA Conference

We’re thrilled to announce that Ijeoma Oluo will be a keynote at the 2018 WLA Conference!

Ijeoma Oluo is a Seattle-based writer, speaker, and Internet Yeller. She’s the author of the New York Times Best-Seller So You Want to Talk about Race, published in January by Seal Press. Named one of the The Root’s 100 Most Influential African Americans in 2017, one of the Most Influential People in Seattle by Seattle Magazine, one of the 50 Most Influential Women in Seattle by Seattle Met, and winner of the of the 2018 Feminist Humanist Award by the American Humanist Society, Oluo’s work focuses primarily on issues of race and identity, feminism, social and mental health, social justice, the arts, and personal essay. Her writing has been featured in The Washington Post, NBC News, Elle Magazine, TIME, The Stranger, and the Guardian, among other outlets.

Stay tuned for more exciting keynote announcements! Conference registration opens July 24.
The Evergreen State College is seeking a Library Archivist and Digital Scholarship Manager. The position closes July 7.

Whatcom County Library System is seeking a Communications Specialist. The position closes June 29.

King County Library System is seeking a Youth and Family Services Manager. The position closes June 21.

Whitworth University is seeking an Adjunct Librarian. The position is open until filled.

The Jefferson County Historical Society is seeking an Archivist. The position is open until filled.

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.

Now Accepting Nominations for WLA Merit Awards

Each year, WLA recognizes outstanding members from all types of libraries with the WLA Merit Awards. Nominations are due August 6, and recipients will be announced October 5. Nominate a colleague today for one of the following awards!

- Emeritus Membership(s)
- Honorary Membership(s)
- Advances in Library Services Award
- Outstanding Performance Award
- Trustee Award
- Friends/Foundation Award
- Candace Morgan Intellectual Freedom Award
- Outstanding Teacher Librarian of the Year Award
- Superintendent of the Year Award
- Principal of the Year Award

WLA Scholarships Are Open!

Apply now for a WLA Scholarship! The WLA Professional Development Committee (formerly the Continuing Education Committee) has launched five scholarships to support the professional development of
Welcome to Our Newest Organizational Members!

We're excited to have two of the Seattle Colleges join WLA: North Seattle College and Seattle Central College!

Established in 1970, North Seattle College provides learning opportunities for a diverse group of more than 14,000 students each year. The mission of the North Seattle College Library is to "advance student success through comprehensive resources, innovative services and excellence in teaching and learning."

Seattle Central was officially created on July 1, 1966, as "Seattle Community College," the first two-year college in the city, and the 19th in Washington state. Seattle Central College Library "empowers students to reflect on knowledge and ideas, learn to navigate a complex information world and connect knowledge with action to enrich their lives and the community."

A Passport to Washington Libraries – Visit Libraries, Win prizes!

Visit libraries across the state this summer and help make an interactive online map full of photos and fun facts about all our libraries! A Passport to Washington Libraries is sponsored by the Washington Center for the Book and the Office of the Secretary of State. Posters and info are on their way to public libraries in Washington for you to share with your patrons, WLA members. Applications close July 1, 2018.

- Maryan E. Reynolds Scholarship
- Hahn-Ahlers Continuing Education Scholarship
- John Stanford Continuing Education Scholarship
- Denny Bond Library Paraprofessional Scholarship
- Sharon Bates Professional Growth Scholarship

Adult Summer Book Bingo – for Libraries in Washington

Here’s a free self-directed adult summer reading activity you can use now – Summer Book Bingo! The folks at Washington Center for the Book have prepared this book bingo card that is ready for you to print and share with readers at your library.

Free NNLM Webinar: Unlocking the Potential of De-identified Clinical Datasets

Healthcare systems generate a ton of data on a daily basis. The primary purpose of this data is billing and clinical decision making. But great secondary use of this data is research. The next PNR Rendezvous webinar session will discuss the potential uses, best practices and common hurdles of de-identified clinical datasets. June 20, 1:00 – 2:00 pm PT. (1 MLA CE) Registration is encouraged but not required. The session will be recorded but attending the live session will allow for your questions and discussion. Learn how to attend and register here.

Seattle Urban Book Expo

The "Black and Brown Literary Get-Down" returns to Seattle on August 25. The third
but you all can get started right now. Anyone can immediately add a photo to a library location; read through on how to register for a chance to win a bookstore gift card if you visit more than five libraries (two need to be at least 50 miles from your home): A passport to Washington Libraries.

Seattle Public Library and the UW iSchool Awarded IMLS Grant

The Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS) has awarded a $353,071 grant to the Seattle Public Library and the UW iSchool to pursue inter-generational participatory design. This project will create, train, and disseminate a model for libraries to engage in participatory design between librarians and youth and family patrons. Learn more about the project here!

Four WA Libraries Win 2018 PR Xchange Awards

ALA has announced the winners of the 2018 PR Xchange Awards, and four Washington libraries made the cut! Over 400 entries in print and electronic formats were submitted from over 100 institutions. Congratulations to the following Washington winners!

- King County Library System for the eBook, "KCLS Art in Libraries: A visual Journey of Possibilities, Knowledge and Imagination"
- Timberland Regional Library for the reading program, "Enchanted Map of the Timberland of Make Believe"
- Kitsap Regional Library for the project, "Utility Box Wraps, Downtown Bremerton: Martin Luther King Jr. & Rosa Parks"
- Sno-Isle Libraries for the newsletter, "Check It Out!"

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.

Seattle Urban Book Expo will take place at the Centilia Cultural Center in collaboration with El Centro de la Raza to deliver an experience of literature, festivities, and art. Learn more and register here.

Washington Medical Librarians Association Annual Meeting & Conference

The Washington Medical Librarians Association (WMLA) is having its annual meeting and conference on July 20 at the Odegaard Library on the University of Washington campus. This one-day conference is open to all and includes breakfast and lunch in addition to some great presentations. Registration is now open (WMLA Member $45; Student/retired $25; Non-member $65). Additional details available on the WMLA website (where you can also join or renew your membership).

Washington Museum Association Annual Conference

The Washington Museum Association (WaMU) Annual Conference is coming up on June 20-22 in Bellingham. This year’s conference theme is “Transcending Boundaries.” As museums continue to explore new ways to engage communities in conversations that bridge cross-cultural boundaries, they also help bring acceptance of differences of opinion, create stronger cross-cultural collaborations with tribal groups and underserved communities, and combine multi-disciplinary approaches to interpreting cultural heritage, science, and art. Learn more and register here.

Free Webinar: Federal Government Resources for K-8

Federal agencies produce a wide range of kid-friendly information. Learn about the material available for use in your classroom or program, especially in the sciences and history. Note that unlike state documents, almost all of the federal resources are web-based. Tune in Thursday, June 21 at 11:30 am PT. Learn more and register for this free webinar from the North Dakota State Library.
Questions? Email us at info@wla.org