



# WELCOME TO WLA WEDNESDAY

January 23, 2019

On this day: In 1957, the Wham-O Company creates the first Frisbee disc, originally called the "Pluto Platter."

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## MAKING HEADLINES

### Overwhelm/Overcome: *Alki* Call for Submissions



***Alki***, the journal of the Washington Library Association, is currently accepting submissions for the upcoming spring issue: Overwhelm/Overcome.

Libraries, library staff, and our patrons are overwhelmed. Shrinking budgets, changing demographics, different expectations, political and social uncertainty, you name it. With the resurgence of movements like self-care, mindfulness, civic engagement, and community activism in the zeitgeist, libraries are in a prime position to meet the challenges of a changing world, starting from within. How are we coping, and how are we facing these challenges head on? If you have examples of overcoming being overwhelmed, this is a chance to share your stories and strategies with colleagues throughout Washington.

Please send your article idea(s) to [alkieditor@wla.org](mailto: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

The deadline to submit articles for the spring issue is February 10, 2019. Please see the **Instructions for Contributors** for more details. Di Zhang, the editor of *Alki*, is happy to discuss ideas and expectations with you as well. We are also accepting articles that are not related to the theme but are of interest to the WLA community.

## LOOK WHO'S HIRING

Whatcom County Library System is seeking a **Collection Development Librarian** and a **Community Relations Manager**. The positions close January 31 and February 15, respectively.

The Bear Creek School is seeking a **Middle School Librarian/Innovation Teacher**. The position is open until filled.

Tacoma Community College is seeking a **Circulation Assistant**. The position is open until filled.

Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking a **Library Associate, PERS Eligible**. The position closes February 3.

The Madigan Army Medical Center Medical Library (Tacoma) is seeking a **Medical Librarian**. The position closes February 1.

The Washington State Library is seeking a **Library and Archival Professional 2**. The position is open until filled.

The Tacoma Public Library is seeking a **Library Information Technology Manager**. The position closes January 25.

**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

**2019 WA Library Legislative Day Is February 6**

## CONFERENCE COMMUNIQUE

**WLA @ ALA Midwinter**



Are you headed to **ALA Midwinter** this week?

Friday through Monday, WLA will have a booth in the **exhibit hall**. Stop by to say hello, grab some goodies, and enter for a chance to win a free registration for the 2019 OLA-WLA Conference!

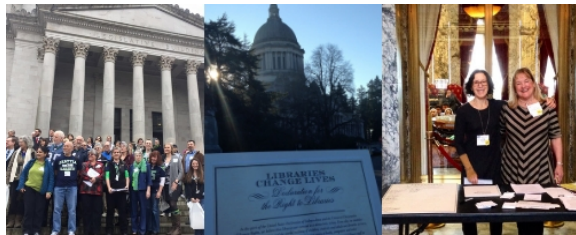
On Sunday, January 27, 4:00 - 7:00 pm, WLA will host a reception for WLA members and those interested in joining. Head to **Blueacre Seafood** to meet 2019 WLA leadership and enjoy appetizers and a no-host bar!

**2019 OLA-WLA Conference: Registration Is Live!**



**2019 OLA-WLA Conference, Vancouver, WA**

Registration is open for the **2019 OLA-WLA Conference**! The conference will bring together the Oregon Library Association (OLA) and Washington Library Association (WLA) for



Join us in Olympia on February 6 for the **WA Library Legislative Day**, sponsored by WLA! This is a great opportunity to network with library supporters from around the state and meet with State Legislators and their staff to discuss the value of libraries and the impact laws have on them. This event will be free to attend.

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### WCCPBA 2019-2020 Nomination Deadline Is Near!

It's that time of year again where we are seeking nominations for the **Washington Children's Choice Picture Book Award (WCCPBA)** for the 2019-2020 school year. Do you know of a picture book this year that knocked your socks off or deserves a shoutout that will fall in love with the hearts of Kindergarten through third graders across the great state of Washington?

The WCCPBA committee is looking for the following criteria:

- Select books from titles published in 2017, 2018, or 2019 that contain positive reviews from credible sources.
- The WLA member must have personally read the book.
- Nominate books in picture-book format and those that you consider to be a good read-aloud for a K-3 audience.
- These may be either fiction or nonfiction. Wordless books are not considered. We will not honor titles that are self-nominated.
- Titles on the final 20-book nomination list cannot be nominated next year.
- Books are to be in print and distributed in the United States.
- The ballot will not contain more than 20 titles.
- Please make sure that you are thorough on your entry!!!!

Please **submit 2020 ballot nominations** by February 1, 2019.

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**Celebrate Libraries Rally!**

four days packed full of professional development opportunities and exciting networking events.

The conference theme is "Charting the Unknown Together," which reflects the current climate of change, injustice, and uncertainty that affects library professionals, patrons, and students. It also honors the spirit of exploration in the Pacific Northwest and the confluence of the Columbia and Willamette Rivers. Together, we're hopeful that our collaboration and camaraderie can help us navigate new waters.

Check out the conference website for program information, and stay tuned for more keynote and event reveals. On behalf of the Conference Committee, we hope to see you in Vancouver!

## THE LEARNING CURVE

### iYouth 2019 Conference: Departures & Disruptions

This year, the iYouth Conference will highlight the incredible work of local librarians and LIS students who are making meaningful change in their communities. Whether by departing from traditional methods/ideas of librarianship or disrupting current systems that aren't working for the communities they serve, there are incredible change-makers in our libraries working to make them better for children, youth, and teens. **Registration** is free and now open.

If you are one of these change-makers, you're encouraged to **submit a proposal** for the iYouth Conference! Program proposals must be submitted by February 1, 2019. All submissions will be notified of proposal status by February 8, 2019. The conference will take place on March 9, 2019 at the University of Washington.

If you have questions about the conference, **contact iYouth**.

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**Teacher Librarian Summit @ NCCE**

On Saturday, January 26, join **a public celebration** that highlights the power of libraries, featuring ALA President Loida Garcia-Febo, WLA President Rhonda Gould, and local and state representatives.

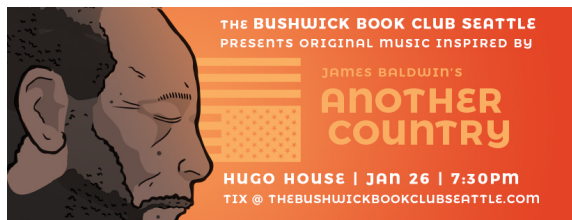
Hear about the many ways libraries are building strong communities at this energizing rally for libraries. Enjoy refreshments and mingle with other library patrons, trustees, library friends and library foundation members from Seattle and around the country. The rally will take place at the Central Branch of The Seattle Public Library on Level 3, near the Fifth Avenue entrance.

Speakers will include:

- ALA President Loida Garcia-Febo
- The Seattle Public Library Chief Librarian Marcellus Turner
- WLA President Rhonda Gould
- Seattle City Councilmember Debora Juarez

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### Free Tickets to Bushwick Book Club Event on January 26



Bushwick Northwest recognizes the critical role that library workers play in our communities as facilitators, curators, and preservers of the written word in all its forms and mediums. To express their appreciation, they're offering library staff **FREE** tickets to their next event on January 26: *Original Music Inspired by James Baldwin's Another Country* at Hugo House on Capitol Hill.

This show will feature performances from some of Seattle's leading songwriters including Stephanie Anne Johnson (as seen on *The Voice*), leading violist and string arranger Alex Guy, and acclaimed folk artist Reggie Garrett. Click **here** to RSVP for **FREE** tickets to this event with the special code: **librarians**.

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### Open House Reception at ALA

Both the Washington State Library (Booth 1300) and NewsBank (Booth 2025) will join



For teacher librarians, staying agile, current, and relevant with technology, digital resources, and emerging STEM trends is more important than ever. Learn how to meet these challenges and transform your school library at the NCCE19 Teacher-Librarian Summit. The day's activities will be facilitated by author, Todd Burleson and NCCE's Tech-Savvy Librarian, Morgen Larsen. Todd is an international speaker, the Hubbard Woods Library Media Specialist in Winnetka, IL, home to the "IDEA Lab" and the School Library Journal 2016 School Librarian of the Year.

Todd's opening keynote, "Becoming Comfortable Being Uncomfortable," will help us explore the challenges we face in creating these 21st century libraries. Change is hard for everyone. This keynote will examine some of the obstacles and explore how we can use our creativity to address them. You'll be inspired, challenged and on the path to being comfortable being uncomfortable.

Todd will join Shannon Miller, Mark Ray, and Craig Seasholes in dialogue on current challenges, issues, needs and possibilities with our panel of TL All Stars. You will spend time collaborating with others while you devise and document plans for your library's transformation. Lastly, learn about tips, tricks, and new tech in breakout sessions and from fellow librarians as they present in our TL Smackdown.

This summit will be held Tuesday, February 26, 8:30 am–3:30 pm, during the **NCCE Conference** in Seattle. **Learn more and register here.**

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### WSL First Tuesdays Webinar: Fake News



the Washington Library Association (Booth 2305) in exhibiting at the **ALA Midwinter Conference**, to be held at the Seattle Convention Center, January 25 - 29, 2019. You are invited to a NewsBank Open House Reception on Sunday, January 27, from 1:00 - 3:00 pm at the Sheraton Grand Hotel, Jefferson Room, across the street from the Convention Center. Enjoy hospitality, remarks from Cindy Aden, Washington State Librarian (at 1:45 pm), and the opportunity to meet with NewsBank representatives, ask questions, and more. **RSVP here**. You do not have to be registered for the conference to attend this event. For information on the current partnership between NewsBank and the Washington State Library, **click here**.

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### **Emporia State University SLIM Reception at ALA**

Emporia State University's School of Library and Information Management will host a gathering for alumni and students on Sunday, January 27 from 5:30-7:30 pm at the Seattle downtown **Dragonfish Café** (722 Pine St.), across from the Seattle Convention Center. Enjoy a full range of menu options in addition to fish and sushi. Please RSVP to **Perri Parise**. Also, stop by their booth in the vendor area!

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### **Pat Carterette Professional Development Grant**

The ALA Learning Round Table (LRT) will award up to \$1,000 to an individual to attend a professional development event between Sept. 1, 2019 and Aug. 31, 2020. The award recipient will be required to share their new learning with other Round Table members in some way (newsletter, blog, list serve, etc.). Applicants do not have to be ALA members to apply. Applicants must respond to **the questionnaire** by February 15. For more information, please visit the Pat Carterette Professional Development Grant **website**.

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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.

Are you seeing a growing need in your community for better information literacy, especially when it comes to discerning online news? Join Di Zhang, Adult Services Librarian at The Seattle Public Library, to learn about resources and best practices for engaging students and community members around media literacy, and how to develop curriculum resources to teach about fake news.

This **First Tuesdays webinar** presented by the Washington State Library will be February 5 at 9:00 am PT.

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### **Footprint Foothold: Helping Students Manage Their Online Reputations**

We make lots of choices when we go online—the device we use, the websites we visit, and the information we provide—and these choices can have consequences in how we're perceived by others and in our futures. This is all part of our digital footprint. The choices we make online, particularly when we're using social media, affect our reputations and our senses of identity, in both positive and negative ways.

In this edWebinar, Sean Coffron, Ph.D. will present strategies and tools for introducing the topic of digital footprints to students and for preparing them to be thoughtful keepers of their online presences. This session is geared toward K-12 teachers in all subject areas. Tune in Tuesday, January 29 at 12:00 pm PT. **Learn more and register**.

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### **UW iSchool Career Fair**

The iSchool Career Fair, held annually during winter quarter, is an opportunity to engage with employers from the fields of technology and information science, and learn about job and internship opportunities. The fair is open to students from any of the UW's three campuses. The 2019 Career Fair will be Tuesday, February 12, 12:30 - 4:30 pm, at **HUB Ballrooms**, University of Washington, Seattle campus. Students can find more information **here**. Employers can find more information **here**.

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