

# WELCOME TO WLA WEDNESDAY

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On this day: In 1894, the five-second film "Edison Kinetoscopic Record of a Sneeze"—the oldest surviving motion picture with a copyright—was released in theaters.

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## MAKING HEADLINES

2019 OLA-WLA Conference: Registration Launches Monday!



2019 OLA-WLA Conference, Vancouver, WA

Registration will open Monday, January 14 for the 2019 OLA-WLA Conference! The conference will bring together the Oregon Library Association (OLA) and Washington Library Association (WLA) for 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 and patrons alike. Together, we're hopeful that our collaboration and camaraderie can help us navigate these 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!

# 2019 WA Library Legislative Day: Registration Launches Friday!



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. Registration will open this Friday, January 11.

## LOOK WHO'S HIRING

Walla Walla County Rural Library District is seeking a **Branch Manager**. The position closes February 1.

Auburn School District is seeking an **Elementary Librarian**. The position is open until filled.

The Seattle Public Library is seeking a **Supervising Librarian**. The position closes January 18.

The University of Washington Bothell and Cascadia College Campus Library is seeking a **Circulation Supervisor**. The position closes January 22.

Whatcom County Library System is seeking a Collection Development Librarian. The position closes January 31.

Washington State University is seeking a **Science Librarian**. The position closes February 3.

North Central Regional Library is seeking a **STEM Services Manager**. The position closes January 17.

Pacific Lutheran University is seeking

## CONFERENCE COMMUNIQUE

Last Chance to Register for WLA Workshop @ ALA Midwinter



WLA is excited to offer "Transgender Inclusion in Libraries" at ALA Midwinter on Friday, January 25, 8:30am–12:30pm. Learn more here, and register here!

Are you interested in increasing your understanding of transgender issues and how those can play out in the library environment? In this workshop, presenters will begin by making sure everyone has a common framework from which to work, before diving deeper and giving attendees the opportunity to evaluate their own libraries and how policies impact the accessibility of their institutions to transgender patrons. Tips and best practices will be shared. Together, we will brainstorm ways to approach library administrators and create more equitable and accessible libraries

a Cataloging and Metadata Specialist. 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.

## NEWS & NOTES

# Letters About Literature — Writing Contest from Library of Congress

The deadline for entering Letters About Literature, a youth reading/writing contest, is Friday, January 11. Students grades 4-12 are asked to write to an author (who may be living or dead) about how one of their books affected them personally. Find more information and how students can enter at the Washington Center for the Book website. Learn more here.

# Looking for WSU Alums Working in Washington's Public Libraries

Are you a graduate of Washington State University? The Washington State University Magazine is planning a story on today's public libraries and how they're responding to community needs. They'd like to do an infographic showing which libraries across the state have Cougs there. If you're a Coug and you work for a library, in any position, please email Rebecca Phillips.

#### **Small Libraries Create Smart Spaces**

OCLC's WebJunciton program is accepting applications of the next round of *Small Libraries Create Smart Spaces* project! Small/rural libraries serving communities of fewer than 25,000 are eligible to apply. This article has information, including a participant overview and links to the application.

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.

for all. This workshop is best-suited for those who already have some basic familiarity with transgender issues. Presented by Reed Garber-Pearson, Micah Kehrein, Sunny Kim, and Bean Yogi.

## THE LEARNING CURVE

#### Atlas Obscura: Preserving History at the UW Conservation Center

Join Atlas Obscura for a tour of conservation facilities for rare books with the University of Washington staffers who take care of the nine million books in the university's collections. Hear stories by conservators and discover the history of the field.

This event will take place on Wednesday, January 9, 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm at the Conservation Center at Suzzallo Library on the University of Washington Seattle Campus. The cost is \$30.

#### Tasveer South Asian Litfest



The Tasveer South Asian Littest (TSAL), January 11-20 in Seattle, brings together an eclectic group of poets, novelists, screenwriters, nonfiction and experimental writers expressing a wide range of South Asian diasporic voices on race, immigration, gender, identity, and publishing. Listen to the authors read from their writings and engage with them in discussion panels and workshops as they explore some of the major issues such as race, immigration, gender, sexuality, and politics that have shaped the lives and writings of the South Asian diaspora. TSAL is produced by Tasveer and funded by Seattle Department of Neighborhoods. TSAL partners are Gardner Center for Asian Arts and Ideas. The Elliott Bay Book Company, Hugo House, KUOW, Northwest Film Forum, South Asia Center, UW Seattle and Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences, UW Bothell.