

# WELCOME TO WLA WEDNESDAY

June 19, 2019

On this day: In 1865, two and a half years after the Emancipation Proclamation, Union soldiers landed at Galveston, Texas, with news that the war had ended and that the enslaved were now free.

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## MAKING HEADLINES

#### **Nominations Open for WLA Merit Awards**

Do you know any rockstar library professionals, advocates, students, or groups that deserve to be recognized for their support of or contributions to libraries in Washington? Nominate them for a WLA Merit Award! Nominations are due August 15.

#### **Applications Open for 2019-20 WLA Scholarships**

Applications are open for WLA scholarships, awarded by the Professional Development Committee to support the education and professional development of WLA members. Applications are due August 1, and winners will be announced September 4.

#### **Nominations Open for WLA Elections**

Are you looking for leadership experience? Need a reason to meet new library people and expand your network? Want to give back to Washington's library communities? WLA wants you!

Nominations are now open for all vacant 2020 WLA leadership positions, from the WLA Board of Directors to our Division and Section steering committees. Nominate yourself or another WLA member by August 15.

LOOK WHO'S HIRING

**CONFERENCE COMMUNIQUE** 

Libraries of Stevens County is seeking a **Library Manager**. The position is open until filled.

Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking a **Library Associate**. The position is open until June 24.

Renton Technical College is seeking a Library Coordinator. The position is open until closed.

Central Skagit Library is seeking a **Head of Public Services**. The position is open until filled.

The University of Washington Bothell is seeking a Computer Science Research and Instruction Librarian. The position is open until July 8.

Gonzaga University is seeking an Acquisitions Librarian. The position is open until July 1. They are also seeking a User Services Associate. The position is open until June 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**

#### **Submit to Alki Milestones**

Alki is seeking submissions for the Milestones section. Milestones focuses on significant moments for libraries statewide—recognizing notable new hires, transitions, retirements, as well as remembrances of those who have passed. We're looking for submissions, of approximately 250 words, that highlight notable accomplishments in the careers of those profiled. Photographs are encouraged. Please send information to Di Zhang, Alki editor.

#### **Elections Spotlight: Join CAYAS!**

If you work with youth at your library and are looking for leadership experience and networking opportunities, CAYAS is looking for you! The WLA Section has three open positions: Vice Chair/Chair-Elect (serves as

# PNLA Conference Registration: Early Bird Rates through July 7

Register at the early bird rate until July 7 for the Pacific Northwest Library Association Conference (Aug. 7–9) in Spokane. Registration is \$250 for PNLA members, \$275 for nonmembers. Lodging at the Centennial Hotel is right on the river and extremely affordable. Take a look at conference details and the lineup here.

## THE LEARNING CURVE

## Health Literacy Funding Opportunity from NNLM

Make a difference in your community by applying for the NNLM PNR All of Us Health Literacy Outreach Awards! NNLM PNR offers 5 Health Literacy Outreach Awards, each up to \$19,000. The goals of the Awards are to foster awareness of the NIH All of Us Research Program and promote health literacy.

Eligible applicants must be from institutions that are members of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NNLM); if you don't have a membership, membership is free and open to institutions interested in improving equitable access to health information. To apply for membership, submit an **online membership application**. Encouraged to apply are applicants who have not previously received NNLM funding or have only received funding once before.

#### 20 Horror Books by Authors of Color

Need something to chill your bones on hot summer days? Whether you are a longtime horror fan looking to diversify your reading or a new reader who wants to get your horror reading off on the right foot, **this booklist** by Jessica Avery from Bookriot can fill your toread list with some top picks of the genre.

# Libraries Wanted to Host Americans and the Holocaust Exhibit

The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum (USHMM) and the American Library Association (ALA) Public Programs Office invite libraries to apply to host *Americans and the Holocaust*, a traveling exhibition that examines the motives, pressures and fears

chair in 2021) and Board Positions 1 & 4. Check out the position descriptions here. To nominate yourself or another WLA member, please fill out the nomination form by August 15, 2019, with the candidate's name, employer or connection to libraries, email address and phone number.

## Innovative "School of Drag" Event Mixes Generations and Gender Performance

"We compartmentalize our community, and particularly when it comes to age, this begins early on in our lives. We are missing huge opportunities for intergenerational knowledge to be shared in a reciprocal experiential way." In this article from Lifetime Arts, learn about a course held by the Museum of Contemporary Art in Tucson, Arizona, for people in the LGBTQIA+ community ages 13-17 and 55+ to bridge community and explore personal identity.

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. that shaped Americans' responses to Nazism, war and genocide in Europe during the 1930s and 1940s.

The special library exhibition—based on the **exhibition** at the USHMM in Washington, D.C. —will travel to 50 U.S. public and academic libraries from 2020 to 2022.

#### Selected libraries will receive:

- The 1,100-square-foot exhibition on loan for five to six weeks;
- A \$2,000 allowance to support public programs;
- Expenses paid for a library staff member to attend an orientation workshop at USHMM in January 2020 in Washington, D.C.; and
- Publicity materials, programming support and more.

Read the project guidelines and apply online by Friday, August 9.

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