WELCOME TO
WLA WEDNESDAY

On this day: In 2002, on the 200th anniversary of his birth, the ashes of Alexandre Dumas (The Three Musketeers) are interred in the Panthéon in Paris in a televised ceremony.

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MAKING HEADLINES

WLA Future Events Survey

Whether you attend every conference or you've never attended any WLA events, we want to hear from you! Please fill out this short anonymous survey about your wants, needs, and hopes for WLA's future conferences and events. This information will help us make our events more accessible, inclusive, and relevant to all of our members.

The survey should take only 5-10 minutes, and the deadline to respond is Sunday, July 28.

Deadline Approaching 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. Recipients will be recognized at the Awards Gala in Wenatchee on October 5.

LOOK WHO'S HIRING

The Puyallup Public Library is seeking a Young Adult & Adult Services Librarian I. They are also seeking a Systems & Technology Services Librarian I. The positions close July 29.

North Central Regional Library is seeking a Branch Librarian. The position closes July

CONFERENCE COMMUNIQUÉ

Save the Date: WLA Virtual Conference

Mark your calendars for the first ever WLA Virtual Conference on Tuesday, January 14, 2020! This all-day event will bring together library professionals from around Washington and the world to build connections and
Washington State University is seeking a Library & Archives Paraprofessional 2. The position closes July 28.

The Evergreen State College is seeking a Library & Archival Professional 3. The position closes August 13.

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.

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**NEWS & NOTES**

Nominations Open for WLA Elections

Are you...

- seeking leadership experience?
- looking for a reason to meet new library people and expand your network?
- interested in building community and professional development opportunities to empower library staff to lead?
- passionate about advocating for libraries and library professionals?

If this sounds like you, then throw your hat in the ring for a WLA leadership position! Or, if this sounds like someone you know, nominate them today!

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. Incoming leaders will be recognized at the Awards Gala in Wenatchee on October 5.

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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. Merit Award winners will be recognized at the Awards Gala in Wenatchee on October 5.

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By holding this conference online, we’re able to lower the barriers of attending and presenting that many face due to limited staffing, funding, or location. Stay tuned for more information about the schedule, keynotes, registration, and opportunities for group viewings. The request for session proposals will be sent out in October and will be focused on three topic tracks: Emergent Technologies, Career & Professional Development, and Marketing & Communications. Special consideration will be given to programs relevant to small and rural libraries.

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Save the Date: 2020 WLA Conference

When: October 7-10, 2020
Where: Spokane Convention Center

A request for conference proposals will be sent out in early 2020. Stay tuned for more details.

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Library Instruction West 2020 Call for Proposals

Library Instruction West is seeking proposals for its 14th conference to be held July 22-24, 2020 at the University of Washington Seattle. The conference theme is Justice. The concept of justice raises more questions than answers: justice for whom, and when? What does justice look like when done well? Is justice something that can ever be achieved, or is it the goal toward which we continually work?
July/August Issue of American Libraries

The July/August Issue of American Libraries has been released online, which highlights last month’s ALA Annual Conference in Washington, DC.

2018 Academic Library Trends and Statistics Published

ACRL announces the publication of 2018 Academic Library Trends and Statistics, the latest in a series of annual publications that describe the collections, staffing, expenditures and service activities of academic libraries in all Carnegie classifications. The one-volume title includes data from Associate of Arts Colleges, Baccalaureate, Master’s Colleges and Universities/ and Research/Doctoral-granting Institutions.

School Librarians Asked to Participate in Online Survey

Please complete a short survey on internet filtering in schools to be included in an updated essay on filtering in school libraries for the upcoming 10th edition of the ALA Intellectual Freedom Manual.

University of Washington Receives $5 Million to Study Fake News and Misinformation

The University of Washington announced a $5 million investment from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation on Monday that will fund the new Center for an Informed Public. The research initiative is one of five the Knight Foundation is funding across academic institutions.

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.

Proposals are due by end of the day on Monday, September 23. Visit their website for more information.

THE LEARNING CURVE

Fall CAYAS Workshop

WLA’s Children and Young Adult Services (CAYAS) Section is offering a one-day workshop on Tuesday, November 15 at the Lacey Timberland Regional Library to help you focus on the young members of your library community. This is a great opportunity to connect with youth-oriented librarians from across the state as you attend workshops, book talks, and presentations.

Call for ACRL WA-OR Conference Proposals: Whiteness and Racism in Academic Libraries

The Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) WA-OR 2019 Conference is an effort to openly acknowledge the ways that whiteness and racism are supported in libraries, and strategies for practicing anti-racism across the breadth of library work.

ACRL OR and WA invite proposals to join and extend these conversations. Sessions will consist of presentations, facilitated conversations, or trainings and workshops. Submit your proposals using the online form by August 9. Presenters will be notified by August 23.

Webinar: Do I Always Have to Get Permission? I’ve Heard of Something Called Fair Use...

Those of us who want to keep our jobs and reputations need to protect our clients from risks, including running afoul of copyright and trademark laws—like “Fair Use”—when creating training materials. In this session, learn how to understand the Fair Use laws and limitations, to determine when and where Fair Use applies, to conduct a Fair Use analysis, and how to weigh the risks vs. the benefits in your situation.

This webinar will take place Thursday, July 25, from 12-1 PM PT. You can learn more or register for this webinar here.