



## WELCOME TO WLA WEDNESDAY

June 23, 2021



2022 WLA Elections

**Nominations open**

☐ *for future WLA leaders*

### Nominations Open for 2022 WLA Elections

Are you interested in getting involved in a WLA Division, Section, or Committee? WLA is pleased to announce nominations are now being accepted for the 2022 Elections! The deadline to nominate candidates for office is Aug. 11.

Visit [wla.org/elections](https://wla.org/elections) to find available positions, this year's election timeline, and the nomination form. For election-related questions, please contact the [WLA Office](#).

The application is now open for

**2021-2022  
WLA Scholarships**

Visit [wla.org/wla-scholarships](https://wla.org/wla-scholarships) for more information.



**Apply for 2021-2022 WLA Scholarships**

The application for WLA scholarships is open. [Learn more](#) about WLA scholarships and apply! Applications are due Friday, July 9.

This week's spotlight scholarship is the [Maryan E. Reynolds Scholarship](#), which offers \$1,000-\$3,000 to one or more WLA members enrolled in an ALA-accredited Masters degree program who has completed at least one semester or quarter. For questions or more information, contact the [WLA Office](#).

### Look Who's Hiring

Fort Vancouver Regional Library is seeking a [Deputy Director](#).

Gonzaga University is seeking an [Adjunct Faculty Librarian](#).

King County Library System is seeking a [Deputy Library Director](#) and Adult and Teen Services [Librarians](#).

Kitsap Regional Library is seeking a [Collection and Technical Services Supervisor](#).

Lake Washington School District is seeking [Elementary Library Media Specialist candidates](#).

Longview Public Library is seeking a [Library Clerk](#).

Mount Vernon City Library is seeking [Multiple Positions](#).

NCW Libraries is seeking [Multiple Positions](#).

North Olympic Library System is seeking a [Public Services Director](#).

Seattle University is seeking a [Student Engagement Librarian](#).

Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking an [Acquisitions Assistant](#).

Walla Walla County Rural Library District is seeking [Multiple Positions](#).

Whatcom County Library System is seeking a [Learning Coordinator](#).

*If your institution has a posting for libraries in the WLA community you would like to submit, please email [newsletter@wla.org](mailto:newsletter@wla.org) and indicate "Look Who's Hiring" in the subject line.*

## Call for Proposals: ALD/ACRL-WA and ACRL-OR Joint Fall Summit

The WLA [Academic Library Division/ACRL-WA](#) is pleased to announce a [virtual summit](#) in partnership with [ACRL-OR](#) this fall, on Friday, November 5 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. The proposal deadline is Wednesday, July 14.

The ALD/ACRL-WA summit committee is now accepting program proposals for 20-25 minute presentations and 5-minute lightning talks centered on the Summit theme: *Old Spaces, New Spaces: Reimagining the Boundaries*. The hope is to address the changing and newly-established boundaries for our work and personal spaces — physical, digital, social, and cultural — throughout academic and college librarianship. What spaces have been discovered over the past year, and how should those spaces be cultivated?

Find more information and submit a proposal at the [Summit website](#). For questions, contact the [WLA Office](#).

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# ALA ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION JUNE 23–29, 2021 VIRTUAL

## Attend ALA Annual June 23-29

ALA's annual conference starts today! The virtual conference will include over 140 educational programs, the "News You Can Use" series, author spotlight sessions, networking events, and other program highlights. Featured speakers include [Nikole Hannah-Jones](#), [Isabel Wilkerson](#), Stanley Tucci, Trisha Yearwood, former President [Barack Obama](#), and [many more](#)! Learn more about the schedule of events and register on the [conference site](#).



## Registration Open for 10th Annual SHLB Conference

Early bird [registration](#) is now open for [AnchorNets 2021](#), occurring Oct. 27-29 in Arlington, VA. Highlights of the conference will include a progress report on the \$7 billion Emergency Connectivity Fund program; opportunities for anchor institutions to deploy private LTE networks; updates on Biden Administration broadband infrastructure funding legislation; a VIP Workshop with key policymakers, and much more. Visit the [conference site](#) for more information.

### News & Notes

#### The New SDL Gale Package – Sign Up Now!

All public, academic, and special libraries that wish to obtain [the new Statewide Database Licensing \(SDL\) package from Gale Cengage](#) are requested to fill out, sign, and return the [SDL Intent to Participate Form for Libraries](#). A link to first year costs is also [available](#). New participants are welcome!

K-12 libraries should contact their [respective ESD](#) for pricing information and to sign up for the Gale package.

**To insure access by July 1 – please return the [Intent to Participate](#) and [Gale Activation Form](#) before June 30.** If any library needs to pay its invoice prior to July 1, please let us know immediately, so we can request expedited invoicing. Otherwise invoices will be issued by Gale in July.

To sign up, and for more information, visit the [SDL Signup and News page](#), or contact SDL Project Manager [Will Stuivenga](#) or one of the [Gale representatives](#).



#### \$15 Million in ARPA Grants Available for Library Services

The [Institute of Museum and Library Services](#) has announced a new funding opportunity for museums, libraries, and Native American and Native Hawaiian communities. The \$15 million federal investment will provide direct support to

address community needs created or exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic and in assisting with recovery. [Apply now](#).

The deadline for submitting applications is **June 28**, with award announcements anticipated October 2021.

## The Learning Curve

### Crisis Connections: "De-Escalation for Library Staff"

Washington State Library is pleased to announce a free, special series of trainings offered by [Crisis Connections](#) on de-escalation. [Register here!](#)

Remaining sessions are scheduled for:

- **Monday, June 28**, 9 a.m.-12:15 p.m (limit 20 attendees)
- **Wednesday, June 30**, 9-11 a.m. (includes one hour of pre-work; limit 40 attendees)

In the training, attendees will learn practical tools to monitor their own temperature when situations are intensifying. They will learn both verbal and non-verbal techniques to ease volatile encounters. The training introduces ways to establish boundaries and control the environment, while still actively listening and understanding client needs.

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### Library of Congress: "Foundations: Analyzing Complex Images"

The Library of Congress will host this free online webinar on June 29 from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. PT. [Register here](#).

Participants will learn and apply foundational strategies for analyzing primary sources that are particularly rich and complex in detail. When working with such images, how can we help students notice and examine details that may otherwise go unnoticed? How can we help them relate these details to one another, in order to arrive at a fuller understanding of the whole? We'll practice these strategies together and reflect on how they can be applied in your educational setting.

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### RUSA: "Decolonizing the Catalog: Anti-Racist Description Practices"

The [Reference and User Services Association](#) (RUSA) will host a 90-minute webinar on July 7 from 10-11:30 a.m. PT exploring recent efforts to draw attention to and amend harmful language in library records related to the African

American experience in the United States.

The webinar is open to all librarians and library staff members but will be of particular interest to those who work with or create catalog records and other forms of metadata. [Learn more and register](#).

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*Have news to share? Please send it to the WLA office at [newsletter@wla.org](mailto:newsletter@wla.org) by Monday to be included in that week's digest.*

It's a great time to become a member of the Washington Library Association. [Join](#) or [Renew](#) your membership today!

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