



WELCOME TO WLA WEDNESDAY

July 7, 2021

The application is now open for

2021-2022 WLA Scholarships

Visit wla.org/wla-scholarships for more information.



Apply for WLA Scholarships by FRIDAY

The application for WLA scholarships is open through **Friday, July 9**. [Learn more](#) about WLA scholarships and apply. This week's spotlight is on the [Sharon Bates Professional Growth Scholarship](#).

The scholarship is sponsored by the WLA School Library Division, and grants \$500 or \$1,000 to a current school library employee and WLA member, toward participation at a local or national library-related conference, workshop, or educational event.

For questions or more information, contact the [WLA Office](#).

[Call for Proposals:](#)

ALD/ACRL-WA and ACRL-OR Joint Fall Summit

The WLA [Academic Library Division/ACRL-WA](#) is pleased to offer a [virtual summit](#) in partnership with [ACRL-OR](#) on Nov. 5 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. The

summit committee is accepting program proposals for 20-25 minute presentations and 5-minute lightning talks on the theme: *Old Spaces, New Spaces: Reimagining the Boundaries*.

Find more information and [submit a proposal](#). The proposal deadline is **Wednesday, July 14**. For questions, contact the [WLA Office](#).



Become a WLA Mentor this Fall 2021

The WLA [Professional Development Committee](#) is hosting a [Mentorship Program](#) for Fall 2021. We are currently recruiting candidates for the mentor pool. Are you interested in helping develop future leaders, grow your leadership skills, and contribute to the profession? Then being a mentor is for you!

Potential mentors are encouraged to apply by the **NEW deadline** of Aug. 11. Mentors must be current WLA members. For more information, contact the [WLA Office](#).



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

Look Who's Hiring

Everett Public Library is seeking an [Adult Services Librarian I](#).

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 Circulation Clerk](#).

Mid-Columbia Libraries is seeking a [Branch Manager 2](#).

Mount Vernon City Library is seeking a [Library Associate](#) and [Library Assistants](#).

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

Neill Public Library is seeking a [Library Division Manager - Youth Services](#) and [Library Assistant – Technical Services](#).

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

Riverview School District is seeking a [Library Media Specialist/Librarian \(Cedarcrest High School\)](#).

San Juan Island Library is seeking an [Administrative Assistant / Bookkeeper](#).

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

Conference Bulletin

Scholarships Available for 20th Annual NWILL Conference

[Registration](#) is open for the [Northwest Interlibrary Loan and Resource Sharing Conference](#), to be held virtually Sept. 1-3. Along with full-length sessions and Lightning Rounds, features of the conference will include keynote

speaker [Kaetrena Davis Kendrick](#) and an Aug. 31 pre-conference workshop hosted by OCLC.

The conference committee will be awarding four conference scholarships: each including conference registration and an awardee's choice of a professional development resource from a curated list. [Applications](#) for conference scholarships are due July 16.

For questions or more information, please [contact](#) the conference planning committee.



Call for Proposals: ALA LibLearnX

The American Library Association is [seeking proposals](#) for [LibLearnX](#), scheduled in-person in San Antonio, TX, Jan. 21-24, 2022. Proposals are due Aug. 15. Please refer to the [guidelines rubric](#) and [submission guide](#) in submitting a proposal. For questions or more information, please contact the [LibLearnX Subcommittee](#).

News & Notes

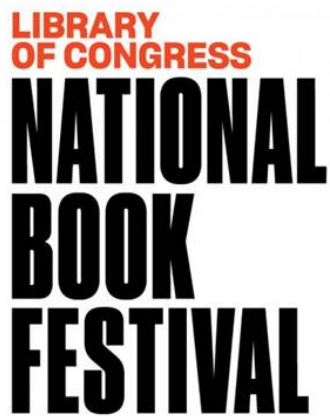


Applications Open for Transforming Teen Services Cohort

Applications are now being accepted for Washington State Library's second cohort of **Transforming Teen Services**. The cohort runs Sept-Nov 2021. Applications are due Aug. 12.

The 12-week facilitated curriculum consisting of both synchronous and asynchronous work. Each week, there will be independent, self-guided work in addition to synchronous meetings each Thursday from 3-4 p.m. Participants will build skills in facilitating learning and gain an understanding of topics related to equity in teen services.

This course is mostly taught from a public library perspective, but those who could benefit from a deeper dive into serving teens, such as school library staff, are encouraged and welcome to apply. For more information, contact **Sara White**.



Bring the 2021 National Book Festival to Your Branch

The 2021 Library of Congress **National Book Festival** (NBF) is set this year Sept. 17-26, and **Washington Center for the Book** has access to a list of participating authors that is not yet public. Would you like to plan for NBF programming for your branch? The author list can be used to plan events such as watch parties, community conversations, story walks, poetry slams, book club meetings, and more.

If you are interested in hosting an NBF program, please email **Sara Peté** and **Linda Johns**, co-managers of the Washington Center for the Book, by July 9 to get access to the list of authors and to discuss your program idea.

Deadline Extended for Washington Shared Digital Collection

The deadline for the 2021-2022 Washington Shared Digital Collection (WA-SDC) has been extended to July 15. The shared collection will be activated on

Sept. 1.

The WA-SDC is a state-wide shared digital collection of PreK-12 eBooks and audiobooks provided by Mackin in partnership with North Central Educational Service District. Any public or non-public PreK-12 school in Washington can join. For more information, visit the [WA-SDC website](#) or contact [Jennifer Maydole](#). Interested participants may also view this [informational webinar](#), using passcode 8xCzRP9^.



Apply for 2022 Class of ALA Emerging Leaders

The American Library Association (ALA) is now [accepting applications](#) for the 2022 class of Emerging Leaders (EL). Details on program criteria can be found on the [Emerging Leaders web page](#). The deadline to apply is Aug. 30.

The ALA EL program is a leadership development program which enables newer library workers from across the U.S. and Canada to participate in problem-solving work groups, network with peers, gain an inside look into ALA structure, and have an opportunity to serve the profession in a leadership capacity. For more information, contact emergingleaders@ala.org.

The Learning Curve

PACER: "Beyond Keyboards: Alternative Tools for Controlling Your Computer"

This free, online workshop on July 7 at 12 p.m. PT, hosted by [PACER Center](#), will introduce participants to different ways to control computer and mobile devices, from voice control to switches, adaptive mice, and keyboards. The webinar will demonstrate several simple things to make accessing computers easier, as well as some more complex setups. [Register today](#).

OCLC: "On Implicit Bias and Communication"

Join Kate Goodman, Mary Marques, and Gaspar Santos on July 8 from 12-1 p.m. PT for the [On Implicit Bias and Communication](#) webinar, which centers on building and sustaining relationships with community partners. The presentation will address fundamental ideas about effective communication with a variety of audiences, and invite participants to reflect on their own communication experiences.

This webinar is part one of two a series about the [Community-Centered Libraries project](#) created by the Free Library of Philadelphia. The second part of the series, [Exploring the SOAR Model](#) occurs Aug. 5, also from 12-1 p.m. PT. [Register](#) for either or both webinars today!

Niche Academy: "Assisting Library Patrons with Legal Questions"

In this webinar on July 14 from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. PT, Deborah Hamilton will focus on how to handle legal questions from library patrons.

Attendees will learn how to do a legal reference interview, what types of information can be provided, how to connect with legal service organizations in your community, and discuss possible ideas for legal programs that you can offer to your patrons. [Register now](#).

Have news to share? Please send it to the WLA office at 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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