November 24, 2021

Winners of the 2021 WLA President's Award

It is an honor to recognize the team of Shana Ferguson, Christie Kaaland, Hillary Marshall, Mark Ray, Elizabeth Courage, Trish Henry, Kristin Jewell, Brittany Kealy, Michelle Lane, Heather Newman, Mia Roberts, and Alicia Wilson with the 2021 WLA President’s Award for their work in the creation of the WA Digital TeachKit.

The WA Digital TeachKit is an incredibly valuable resource made possible through the collaboration of this team and made available to educators around Washington state and beyond.

These teacher-librarians researched, curated, and created profiles for tools including useful guides to assist educators in selecting and using educational technology. With a focus on supporting remote and hybrid learning, the WA Digital TeachKit is a professional development resource that features over 20 commonly used digital tools in K12 education.

The collaboration, creativity, and work of this team in creating a resource to support their community of educators, especially in a time when many can feel so professionally isolated, is more than worthy of recognition. This is a resource that will continue to contribute to the field and offer librarians and other educators a survival kit to effectively use digital learning tools and services.

Congratulations to the WA Digital TeachKit team!
Celebrate the Holidays with WLA

Are you looking for a special gift for a colleague, loved one, or even yourself? Consider making a donation that celebrates library advocacy — or give the gift of membership!

Our 2021 Holiday Giving Special offers the opportunity to donate to the Washington Library Association in the name of a library advocate — or to give the gift of membership. Gift memberships grant one or more recipients of your choice member benefits for a full year.

This opportunity for WLA 2021 Holiday Giving donations or gift memberships will be available through Dec. 31. Wishing you happy holidays from WLA!

LISS Lunch and Learn with Dr. Rachel Clarke

The WLA Library & Information Student Section (LISS) will be hosting a virtual lunch and learn with Dr. Rachel Clarke from Syracuse University on Nov 30 at 12:30 p.m. PST. Save the Zoom Access Link to your calendars!

Dr. Clarke is a prominent thinker in design and librarianship. Attendees will have the chance to talk with her about design thinking as it relates to LIS education and libraries in general.

Call for Contributions to Fall ALD/ACRL-WA Newsletter

For the fall issue, the ALD/ACRL-WA steering committee is seeking articles about the Academic Library Division/ACRL-WA and ACRL-OR Joint Fall Summit from presenters and attendees. Were you inspired? Do you want to share your project or similar experience? Find the Summit’s program topics and names.
The committee also seeks institution-based news items: new hires, retirements, promotions, job changes, course additions, committee involvement, presentations, events, and other institution events where librarians have a role. Please submit your contributions by **Nov. 28** to **rhondak@bigbend.edu**.

Other topics of interest:

- Professional development and training opportunity announcements, such as conferences, webinars, and related
- Award recognition
- Scholarship announcements
- Calls for presentations/publication
- Information on published work/presentations
- Articles covering:
  - Closing achievement gaps
  - First-generation college students
  - New and emerging technology
  - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, Social Justice topics
  - Exhibits
  - Library Instruction pedagogy, tips, tales
  - Faculty Collaboration
  - Student-focused programs, events, or services
  - Successful assessment activities

All articles must be submitted in Google Drive-friendly format (.doc, .pdf, .rtf) and include a title, author(s), and author title and affiliations. Links to author(s) personal professional sites (ResearchGate, library blogs, social media) are also encouraged. Photos, images, or graphics are encouraged and may be resized for placement. Please include links (URLs) to additional information.

Please use APA Style 7th edition. Word count limit is 50-200 words for non-article items and up to 800 words for articles, including references.

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**Application Open for Media Literacy & Digital Citizenship Grants**

Washington State schools, districts, and ESDs can now apply for a competitive two-year project grant that will support integrating Media Literacy, Digital Citizenship, or Synthetic Media curriculum into classes. Apply by Jan. 6, 2022 via **iGrants (Form Package 922)**.

The project grants, which are administered by **Washington Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction** (OSPI) and funded by HB 1365, are one of two options: shorter-term planning grants are on the way but not available yet.
Deadline 12/1 to Request Clock Hours for #WLA2021 Attendees

The deadline to claim clock hours for attending #WLA2021 is approaching on Dec. 1. Get started by following the instructions below.

- Using this [Google Form](#), verify hours of attendance by Wednesday, Dec. 1.

- Wait for your confirmation email, which will contain the verification code and your total number of hours (up to 25). *Please allow 1-3 business days for this confirmation email to arrive. If you have not received an email after 3 business days, please contact the WLA Office.*

- Claim Clock Hours in PDEnroller
  - To log in: [www.pdenroller.org/welcome](#)
  - Once logged in, go to: [www.pdenroller.org/clockhours](#) OR Go to the "Clock Hours" top dropdown menu and select "Claim Clock Hours"
  - Enter Clock Hour Claim Code: MQC-2HD
  - Claim number of hours attended (up to 25) and affirm. Make sure the number of hours attended match the hours you reported
  - Take survey and pay if applicable
  - Clock hours will be confirmed within 30 days

If you have questions, please contact the [WLA Office](#)! 

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**Look Who’s Hiring**

- Cornish College of the Arts is seeking a [Technical Services Librarian](#).
- CWU Libraries is seeking a [Research and Instruction Librarian (Lecture Pool)](#).
- Equity in Education Coalition is seeking a [ConnectWA Digital Equity Manager](#).
- Jefferson County Library District is seeking a [Digital Equity Navigator](#).
Kelso Public Library is seeking an **Administrative Assistant**.

NCW Libraries is seeking **Multiple Positions**.

Olympic College Libraries is seeking a **Library Adjunct Faculty Member**.

Renton Technical College is seeking an **Associate Dean of the Library**.

Seattle Public Library is seeking a **Youth & Family Learning Services Manager**.

Seattle University - Lemieux Library & McGoldrick Learning Commons seek a **Marketing and Communications Strategist**.

Shoreline Community College is seeking a **Faculty Librarian**.

Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking **Multiple Positions**.

Tacoma Public Schools is seeking a **Teacher Librarian Replacement (Franklin Elementary School)**.

Washington State Library is seeking a **Branch Librarian (Library & Archival Professional 2)**.

Washington Talking Book & Braille Library is seeking an **Assistant Manager/Librarian (Library & Archival Professional 4)**.

*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.*

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**Conference Bulletin**

**LATINX KIDLIT BOOK FESTIVAL**

*Attend the 2021 Latinx KidLit Book Festival with Your Class*

Join the virtual **Latinx KidLit Book Festival** Dec. 9-10! Registration is not required, as the event will be a free live-stream via the **Festival's YouTube channel**.
Check out the 2021 schedule, which includes free events suitable for students of every age — from pre-K to 12th grade. Educators are encouraged to have students submit questions for authors and illustrators. If a student's question is selected to be used in the festival, their classroom will be entered in a drawing to win a class set of 30 books.

For questions, contact Team@LatinxKidLitBookFestival.com.

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Submit a Proposal for Online Northwest 2022

Online Northwest is seeking proposals for 30-minute and 60-minute sessions or panels, as well as 5-minute lightning talks, for its virtual conference on March 25, 2022. The conference theme is Open Librarianship, an expansive view of what Open Librarianship means and how it intersects with library technologies.

Possible proposal topics may include but are not limited to:

- Open Access
- Open Educational Resources (OERs)
- Open Educational Costs
- Open Science/Open and Reproducible Research
- Open Data
- FAIR Data Principles
- Open Public Librarianship

Follow this link and create an account to submit a proposal. The deadline to submit a proposal is Dec. 17, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions, contact conference co-chairs: Diana J. Castillo and Michelle Desilets.

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Early Bird Rates Available for ALA's LibLearnX
Early Bird registration is open through **Nov. 30** for **LibLearnX**, a unique learning conference available as a benefit to ALA Members. Registration is $189 (members) and $99 (student members). If you’d like to register a group, ALA is offering a Register 5 / Get 1 Free registration option. [Learn more and register](#).

Attendance scholarships are available to apply for. Members receiving the complimentary registration scholarships will be notified no later than Jan. 7, 2022.

If you need assistance, please email [alaregistration@csreg.zohodesk.com](mailto:alaregistration@csreg.zohodesk.com).

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**View Programs from the Academic Library Summit**

Registration closes next week on **Nov. 30** for the virtual **Academic Library Division/ACRL-WA and ACRL-OR Joint Fall Summit**.

**Register now!** For a list of programs included with registration, please visit the [Summit homepage](#). Registration is **FREE** for WLA and OLA members; $15 for non-member students; and $45 for non-members.

Please contact the [WLA Office](#) if you have any questions.

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**Recordings Available for Library 2.021 Mini-Conference**
Recordings are now available for free for the third Library 2.021 Mini-Conference: "Libraries as Community Anchors," held online on Oct 21. Recordings include the opening keynote panel, 13 presentation sessions, and the closing keynote. Access to the recordings require logging into Library 2.0 with a free account.

News & Notes

NNLM Professional Development Funding Awards

The Network of the National Library of Medicine (NNLM) Region 5, under cooperative agreement with the U.S. National Library of Medicine (NLM), has announced the availability of funding through Professional Development Awards to increase knowledge, skills, and competencies of NNLM network members on areas related to NLM priorities.

With these awards, NNLM Region 5 commits to prioritizing support for underrepresented populations through their meaningful engagement in professional development activities.

These awards support:

- individual class, conference or workshop attendance
- the costs associated with arranging for an expert speaker to give a talk, workshop, class or lecture
- educational activities that relate to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and aim to prepare professionals to better serve underserved, minority and underrepresented communities.

A minimum of eight awards of up to $1,500 each will be funded. Awards will be available on an ongoing basis until funds are expended. Find the full funding announcement and the Professional Development Award Application.

For questions or additional information, contact Cathy Burroughs at nnlm@uw.edu or (206) 543-9261.

ARSL & Penguin Random House
Announce Small & Rural Library Grant
Through the support of Penguin Random House, the Association of Rural & Small Libraries (ARSL) is pleased to announce the establishment of a new grant opportunity for small and rural libraries nationwide. If selected, grants will be awarded for up to $2,500. ARSL membership is NOT required to participate in this grant opportunity.

The program will award grants to libraries that demonstrate a true need. Grants are not limited to literacy and may be used for everything from library programming and books to resources like hotspots.

There will be multiple submission windows, with the first deadline on Dec. 17, 2021. Apply here. Contact info@arsl.org for more information.

Washington State Book Award: The Magical Language of Others

Join Washington Center for the Book and the Washington Library Association on Dec. 1 at 6 p.m. to celebrate the winner of the 2021 Washington State Book Award for Biography and Memoir: The Magical Language of Others, by E.J. Koh. Register in advance!

Koh will be interviewed by librarian and Washington State Book Award Judge, Zola Mumford. Koh is the author of the poetry collection A Lesser Love, winner of the Pleiades Press Editors Prize, and co-translator of Yi Won’s The World’s Lightest Motorcycle, forthcoming from Zephyr Press.

This is the first in an online series of author events celebrating the 2021 Washington State Book Award winners.

The Learning Curve

Niche Academy: "Tips and Tricks from an Accidental Advocate"
Join Larry Neal, director of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library and Policy Corps Fellow for the ALA Public Policy and Advocacy Office, to build your advocacy skills in this free webinar on Dec. 1 at 11 a.m. PT. Register in advance.

Participants will learn how to educate decision-makers about the importance of the library to their constituents through facts, stories, and personal interactions. A recording of the webinar will be available for registrants after the live event.

WSL: First Tuesdays "DEI and Washington Libraries"

Join the Washington State Library for a First Tuesdays event "DEI and Washington Libraries" on Dec. 7 at 9 a.m. PT. Register in advance.

The event will feature ALA President Patty Wong, WA State Equity Office Director Dr. Karen Johnson, and WA State Librarian Sara Jones in a discussion on the efforts and struggles in diversity, equity, and inclusion work in libraries.

For questions or more information, contact Tami Masenhimer.

RUSA: "Tools for Locating Primary Sources in Archives and Online"

Join Librarian Steven A. Knowlton (Princeton University) for this webinar on Dec. 8 at 10 a.m. Pacific that will feature approaches to the reference interview, online and print tools to uncover primary sources, and helpful tips for organizing and citing primary sources. Register in advance.

Librarians who have taken on new duties in subjects (such as history, area studies, religion, or literature) whose scholars need to consult primary sources are encouraged to attend. Cost is $46.61 (RUSA members), $71.10 (ALA members), $37.12 (ALA student members), and $79 (non-members).
WSL Training: "Capturing Outcomes of Youth Programs"

Applications are now open for a **free six-week course** (Jan. 6-Feb. 10, 2022) that provides practical knowledge and skills in assessing outcomes of youth programs that can be used to rethink, redesign, and advocate for the developing and offering of youth-related services for and with your community.

How do we know if the programs and services that we are offering for children and youth are meeting the goals that we are aspire to? What are the assessment tools that we can create or adapt to measure outcomes of our youth-related programs and services? How do we strategically rethink our priorities and offerings, and programs based on the feedback that we receive?

Led by [Dr. Mega Subramaniam](mailto:), and working in teams of up to four people from the same library or system, staff will explore the answers to all of these questions over the course of six weeks of meetings and through the completion of outside assignments. This course will lead you through the entire process! **Applications** to participate are due Dec 18. If you have questions, please contact [sara.white@sos.wa.gov](mailto:sara.white@sos.wa.gov).

*This course is supported by funding provided by the federal [Institute of Museum](http://www.instituteofmuseum.com)*
**Holiday Closure**

The WLA Office will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 25 and Friday, Nov. 26 in observance of Thanksgiving.

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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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