June 29, 2022

Apply for 2022-2023 WLA Scholarships

The application for 2022-2023 WLA Scholarships is open through July 10, at wla.org/wla-scholarships!

WLA scholarships are professional development and/or memorial scholarships for WLA members, created and funded by families and friends in memory of their loved ones to honor each person's service to libraries.

This year's scholarships include:
• **Maryan E. Reynolds Scholarship**: $1000 - $3000 to one or more WLA members who is enrolled in an ALA-accredited Masters degree program and has completed at least one semester or quarter.

• **Hahn-Ahlers Continuing Education Scholarship**: $1000 to a WLA member toward a degree, certificate, or graduate-level study in the Library or Education fields.

• **John Stanford Continuing Education Scholarship**: $1000 to a current WLA member of color toward a degree, certificate, or graduate level study in the Library or Education fields.

• **Denny Bond Library Paraprofessional Scholarship**: $500 or $1000 to a current school library paraprofessional and WLA member toward participation at a local or national library-related conference, workshop, or educational event. *Sponsored by the WLA School Library Division.*

• **Sharon Bates Professional Growth Scholarship**: $500 or $1000 to a current school library employee and WLA member toward participation at a local or national library-related conference, workshop or educational event. *Sponsored by the WLA School Library Division.*

• **WALE Continuing Education Scholarship**: $1000 to a WALE member toward a degree, certificate, or graduate-level study in the Library or Education fields. *Sponsored by WALE (Washington Library Employees, a section of WLA).*

• **WALE Library Paraprofessional Scholarship**: up to $1000 to a current library paraprofessional and WALE member toward participation at a local or national library-related conference, workshop, or educational event. *Sponsored by WALE (Washington Library Employees, a section of WLA).*

If you have any questions, please reach out to the WLA Office by emailing info@wla.org or calling/texting (206) 823-1138.

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**Call for Alki Milestones!**

The Milestones section focuses on significant moments for libraries statewide—recognizing notable new hires, transitions, retirements, as well as remembrances of those who have passed.

*Alki* is looking for submissions, of approximately 250 words, that highlight notable accomplishments in the careers of those profiled. Photographs are encouraged.

Please send your Milestones submissions for the *Alki* Summer 2022 Issue to
Ray Zill, *Alki* editor, at alkieditor@wla.org by next **Wednesday, July 6.**

Call for Papers: *Alki* Winter 2022 Issue
Indigenous Librarianship

The Washington library community wants to hear from you! Share your voice by publishing in *Alki*: The Washington Library Association Journal. We welcome content from all library workers, students, supporters, volunteers, and trustees. We publish peer-reviewed articles, opinion pieces, creative writing, and art.

For far too long, American libraries have had problematic interactions with local tribes, reinforcing destructive colonial relationships or helping to perpetuate the mythology that Native peoples are “disappearing.” December’s issue of *Alki* will publish pieces that center indigenous voices in our community, consider our relationships with local tribes, and highlight the practice of indigenous librarianship. Indigenous librarianship prioritizes the interests, practices, needs, and support of Indigenous people and can be practiced by both indigenous and non-indigenous librarians.

Interested in submitting for this issue? Learn more at [https://www.wla.org/alki-home](https://www.wla.org/alki-home). Ray Zill, the current *Alki* editor, is also available to discuss ideas and expectations. Reach out by contacting her at alkieditor@wla.org.

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2023 WLA Elections
Nominations open July 20!

2023 WLA Election Timeline Begins in July 2022

Are you seeking leadership experience? Looking to meet new people in the library field? Passionate about advocacy for libraries and library professionals?

Whether you’re a longtime member or new to the association, WLA invites you to throw your hat into the ring for a leadership position! There are many opportunities to get involved.

Check out the [elections timeline for 2023](https://www.wla.org). The nomination window opens this summer on July 20, and will last through early fall, Sept. 16.
PLD Little-Known Libraries & Resources Series: WA Talking Book & Braille Library

The WLA Public Library Division (PLD) is offering an informational session with Reilly Curran, outreach librarian for the Washington Talking Book & Braille Library (WTBBL) on July 19 from 9-10 a.m. via Zoom. Bookmark the Zoom invite for your calendar.

Come learn about what WTBBL does, their physical and digital collections, who qualifies for service, and how YOU, as library workers, can help connect people (and sign them up for services) in your community to this little-known gem in Washington State!

Reilly will give us an introduction to WTBBL, and there will be plenty of time for questions. We hope that you can join us! Please feel free to share this event with fellow library folks and organizations in your community who would benefit from this information.

Additionally: We would love this to kick off a series of monthly or bimonthly informational workshops about little-known libraries, collections, and resources available in Washington State; best-kept secrets that we don't want to keep secret!

Do you work for one of these places, or know of one? Who should we talk to? Email PLD Chair Jannah Minnix (jminnix@sno-isle.org) or PLD Vice Chair Georgia Reitmire (greitmire@yvl.org) to help us keep this series going!

Look Who's Hiring

Bellevue School District is seeking a Library Media Specialist (Lake Hills Elementary).

Central Skagit Library District is seeking an Adult Services Librarian.

City of Grandview is seeking a Library Director.

Gonzaga University is seeking an Interlibrary Loan Specialist.

Highline College is seeking a Library & Archives Paraprofessional 4.
Humanities WA is seeking a Program Manager, Speakers Bureau & Live Events.

Jefferson County Library District is seeking a Librarian I - Information Services/Cataloging.

NCW Libraries is seeking a Branch Librarian MLIS/MLS (Brewster) and Branch Librarian MLIS (Grand Coulee).

Newberg Public Library (OR) is seeking a Library Director.

Olympic College is seeking a Library Tenure Track Faculty.

Orcas Island Public Library is seeking a Library Director.

Pacific Lutheran University is seeking an Assistant Professor/Archivist & Special Collections Librarian.

Pierce County Library System is seeking Multiple Positions.

Ritzville Library District #2 is seeking a Library Director.

Seattle Public Library is seeking a Director of Library Programs and Services and Special Collections Service Manager.

Seattle University is seeking a Circulation/Resource Sharing Manager (Law Library).

Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking a District Manager and a Library Associate Public Services.

South Puget Sound Community College is seeking an Open Education Librarian.

Tacoma Community College is seeking a Dean of Library and Learning Innovation.

Timberland Regional Library is seeking two Library Managers (Aberdeen; North Mason).

Washington State Library is seeking a Branch Librarian and Interlibrary Loan Technician.

Washington Talking Book & Braille Library is seeking a Patron Registrar.

*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.*
Are you a library worker interested in zines? Join ZineLibraries.info on July 7-8 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. PT for the Zines & Libraries Conference!

The virtual conference will bring together librarians, zine artists, and educators to learn about all things zines! Presenters will go over zine history, cataloging, starting a collection, and tips on how to successfully integrate zines into libraries and instruction. Register now!

Captioning will be included. Please email questions about registration or accommodations to Elizabeth Duell.

Attend the 9th Annual Virtual LILI Conference

The 2022 Lifelong Information Literacy (LILI) Conference is coming up July 8 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. PT! Register in advance.

The free event will feature engaging and interactive presentations related to this year’s theme, "Teaching and Learning: Introducing New Topics, Pivoting Online, and Starting from Scratch." Attendees will explore approaches for creating, adapting, and re-imagining instruction and services in an ever-changing landscape.

If you have any questions, please contact LILI Chair Liz Cheney or LILI Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect Michael Habata.
Summer Library 2.022 Mini Conference

The second Library 2.022 mini-conference: **Urban Librarianship: Embracing Challenges and Opportunities through Innovation, Leadership, and Best Practices**, will be held online July 14 from 12-3 p.m. PT. [Register in advance](#).

Opening keynote panelists include **Michael Lambert**, City Librarian for the City and County of San Francisco; **Chris Brown**, Commissioner, Chicago Public Library; **Lessa Kanani’opua Pelayo-Lozada**, 2022-2023 President of the American Library Association and Executive Director of the Asian Pacific American Librarians Association; **Dr. Rhea Lawson**, Executive Director – Houston Public Library; and **Kelvin Watson**, Executive Director – Las Vegas-Clark County Library District.

Closing keynote speakers include **Naomi Jelks**, Racial Equity Manager for San Francisco Public Library and **Dr. Sheryl Davis**, Executive Director of the San Francisco Human Rights Commission.

This free event will be held live online and will also be recorded. [Register](#) to attend live and/or to receive the recording links afterward.

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Call for Proposals: Beyond the Numbers 2022

The [Conference Organizing Committee of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis](#) seeks proposals for 5-minute lighting talks, 20-minute sessions, and 45-minute sessions, panels, or workshops for its biennial conference on economic information. The conference will take place in-person November 8-10, 2022.

This conference will bring together librarians, information professionals, data researchers, and data managers to improve understanding of economic resources and how to find, use, and share them.
Possible topics include, but are not limited to:

- New, misunderstood, or underused economic information tools and sources
- Managing data for access, preservation, sharing, and re-use
- Library instruction using economic data: case studies, best practices
- Alternative and digital data: trends and developments in the use of non-traditional sources of data for economics research
- Accessing data via APIs and data clean up

The deadline to submit a proposal is June 30.

Learn more about presentation topics and proposal guidelines. Proposals should be submitted via email to research.event.services@stls.frb.org.

If you have any questions, please email conference coordinator Adrienne Brennecke.

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**News & Notes**

**Suquamish Tribe Awarded Over $1M for Broadband**

The Suquamish Tribe has received a grant of $1,093,384.80 to implement the use and adoption of community broadband as part of the Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program, awarded by the Department of Commerce’s National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA).

Program grants fund projects that promote high-speed internet use and adoption that enable communities to access and fully utilize resources that connect them to education, healthcare, employment, and more. Funds can also be used to conduct planning, engineering, feasibility, and sustainability projects and to expand digital inclusion, workforce, and digital skills development.

NTIA received more than 300 applications during the application window, which closed on Sept. 1, 2021. The Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program will announce additional awards on a rolling basis as they move through NTIA’s review process.

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**Participate in ALA Survey on Library Programs, Partnerships**

ALA's Public Programs Office (PPO) is partnering with Knology, a nonprofit research organization, to develop impact indicators for library programming and explore library partnerships, as part of IMLS grant LG-250153-OLS-21.

As part of this research, all libraries are invited to participate in a short, 15-
A 15-minute survey, accessible at https://research.knology.org/jfe/form/SV_23t3S9VfBARvjKu. Participants will be invited to provide contact information if they are interested in a follow-up interview or focus group discussion at the conclusion of the survey.

Please note that the survey will ask for information about library/library system, including service population size, staff size, operating budget, and open hours.

If you have any questions regarding the survey, please contact Joanna Laursen Brucker at Knology.

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Humanities WA Grants Available for 2022

Humanities Washington is excited to offer Opportunity Grants and Washington Stories Fund Grants for 2022!

- **Opportunity Grants** support statewide access to public humanities presentations and events, and are intended for small or rural organizations. Up to $1,000 awarded, no match required.
  - 20 Opportunity Grants will be awarded from March to Dec. 2022. Applications will be accepted until funds have been fully allocated.

- **Washington Stories Fund Grants** seek to elevate the stories of underrepresented people or groups and enhance the public's awareness of new and unique perspectives and cultures. Up to $5,000 awarded, match required.
  - 4 WA Stories Fund Grants will be awarded in 2022. Online applications are due July 15 and notification is Sept. 1. Funded activity may begin after Oct.1.

If you have any questions, please contact 206-682-1770 or info@humanities.org.

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The Learning Curve
**SJSU Symposium: "How LGBTQIA+ Librarians Shape Libraries Today"**

The San José State University (SJSU) School of Information is hosting a free online symposium on June 30 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. PT in celebration of Pride Month! Registration is free, and the sessions will be recorded. [Register now](#).

Following opening remarks from Dr. Anthony Chow, SJSU iSchool Director, the symposium will have two sessions featuring various presenters. [View the schedule](#).

Attendees who are in need of real-time captioning/closed captions or other accommodations should contact [Sue Alman](#).

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**NCCE: "LOC Teaching with Primary Sources: Crossroads of History Project"**

The Northwest Council for Computer Education (NCCE) is offering a free virtual training, the [Crossroads of History Project](#), for Western region educators. The course is sponsored by the Library of Congress (LOC) and will provide instruction on using LOC primary sources to develop and implement informed, meaningful activity plans based on social justice and civil rights issues.
Participants who complete the course, which consists of six phases, will be eligible for university credit or Washington State clock hours.

2022 Cohort dates include:

- Cohort 1: June 27 – July 31 (Registration Closed)
- Cohort 2: July 25-Aug 29
- Cohort 3: Sept. 26-Oct. 31
- Cohort 4: Oct. 24-Nov. 30

Registration is open until the day the cohort begins. Register now!

For questions, please contact NCCE Director of Professional Learning Shannon Davenport at sdavenport@ncce.org.

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**WSL: Self-Guided Teacher-Librarian Core Curriculum**

The Washington State Library (WSL) has released a [Teacher-Librarian Core Curriculum](https://nicheacademy.org) on Niche Academy!

The course is designed for new school library workers, school library workers who haven’t been formally trained, aspiring school library workers, or anyone who would like a refresher in the core knowledge needed to run a successful library program in a school. The course is self-guided and takes participants through four modules: Collection Management, Information Literacy & Digital Citizenship, School Library Programming, and School Library Partnerships.

Completing all of the modules will give participants a total of 16 clock hours. In order to receive clock hours for the course, registration is required.

Before beginning the course, participants must read the module “READ FIRST: Course Registration and Clock Hours Info,” which covers course objectives, NBPTS Library Media standards, and how to receive clock hours. Participants
will also need to create a Niche Academy account, if they have not already done so, and request access to the learning pathway.

Please note, WSL is also in the planning stages of organizing cohorts to go through the material in this course as a group. The cohort will be implemented sometime in the 2022/2023 school year. Please stay tuned for more information!

This program is supported by funding provided by the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services administered by the Library Services and Technology Act, through the Washington State Library, a division of the Office of the Secretary of State.

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UW: 2022 Media Literacy Institute

The University of Washington has opened registration for 30 participants to join the 2022 Media Literacy Institute, which will occur Aug. 1-4 from 9:30-11 a.m. PT. The course fee is $150 and includes 20 clock hours for Washington state educators. Learn more and register.

Through the course, participants will understand basic media literacy theory, get direct feedback and coaching from experienced practitioners, and learn to integrate media literacy into their lessons and curricula.

The course is a collaboration between the UW Center for Excellence in Media Literacy and the Center for Media Literacy.
WSL First Tuesdays: Introducing the New Libraries and Veterans National Forum

Join Washington State Library (WSL) on July 5 at 9 a.m. PT for its next First Tuesdays program on the Libraries and Veterans National Forum. Register in advance.

The Libraries and Veterans National Forum took place online during Fall 2021 and was born out of efforts from librarians at the Texas A&M University Libraries and their desire to better learn from others libraries' efforts to support the veteran and military communities.

Collaborating with librarians from academic, public, school, state, and VA libraries, the Libraries and Veterans National Forum project team gathered 250 librarians engaging in this work to share their success stories, brainstorm solutions to their challenges, and gain new ideas to bring back to their libraries.

This program will discuss the work of the Libraries & Veterans National Forum and highlight the resources available to librarians. For questions, please contact WSL Training Coordinator Tami Masenhimer.

Save the Date!

WSL: School Library In-Service Training Day

In a survey conducted earlier this year for people working in school libraries, the Washington State Library (WSL) heard that Teacher-Librarians and folks working in
school libraries would like a day of training focused on skills building and school library specific needs.

On Friday, Oct. 14 (the statewide school closure in-service day), join us for the first-ever statewide virtual staff training day focused on Teacher-Librarians and others working in school libraries. The trainings will be free, virtual, and recorded. All sessions will be Clock Hours eligible and require registration.

More information will be sent early in the school year. Email Sara White if you have any questions!

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!