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WELCOME TO
WLA WEDNESDAY

April 5, 2023



Call for Papers: WLA All Day

***Alki's* Summer issue submission window is now open!**

Alki Summer issues are dedicated to the WLA community goings-on. The Spring conference is the biggest WLA event of the year but it's not the only event of the year. Here is your chance to showcase your involvement in the Washington library community.

Some topic examples:

- Division, section, or committee activities
- WLA2023
- Statements from scholarship, award, and grant winners past and present
- Unofficial member gatherings or events
- Whatever you have to say about WLA!

Creative pieces, art, and photos are always encouraged.

Sign up for your spot today by emailing your name and a working title of your

proposed piece to alkieditor@wla.org.

Do you have an article ready? Email your submissions as a .doc, .docx, or Google Doc to alkieditor@wla.org before Tuesday, May 30th. Make sure to include the following:

- Title
- Author name(s) and affiliation(s)
- Short bio written in third-person, and headshot of author(s)
- Any citations are in Chicago Manual of Style
- Images in .jpg or .png format. Please include both captions and alt-text
- Chosen quotes or short selections of your article that you would like highlighted as pull-quotes

Alki is a journal by and for the Washington library community. We accept submissions that may not fit our theme but are still important to our community. We welcome content from all library workers, students, supporters, volunteers, and trustees. We publish peer-reviewed articles, opinion pieces, creative writing, and art. The *Alki* editorial committee is available to discuss ideas and expectations. Reach out by contacting us at alkieditor@wla.org. For inspiration, check out [past issues of Alki](#).

Request a Conference Verification Letter for WLA 2023

Do you need proof of attending the 2023 conference? Please fill out the [letter of attendance form](#) by Friday, April 28.

All letters of attendance will be emailed to the requester unless otherwise specified below. No letters will be mailed. Please fill out one form per letter. If you need to verify attendance for a large number of registrants, please email info@wla.org.

Alki's Accessibility Matters Issue is available now!

Alki: The Washington Library Association Journal has moved to a new site! Visit Alki.pubpub.org to read our newest issue on accessibility.

Read about Kate Sudan-Roche's experience with protesting on campus while using a mobility aid. Follow along with Colin Manikoth's 3-step starter guide on ensuring your website is up to snuff. Consider the benefits of proactive accessibility compared to reactive accommodation with Alex Byrne. Then, let Amy Potter bring your attention to the needs of neurodivergent people. This issue is packed with the insights and personal experiences of 16 unique authors whose perspectives help shed light on the dark corners of such an

important discussion in Washington libraries. Come take part in the conversation!

WLA Seeking Early Learning Advisory Council Representative

Do you work with children and/or youth? Are you interested in policy development and implementation that directly impacts youth across the state? The Washington Library Association (WLA) is seeking a representative to the [Early Learning Advisory Council \(ELAC\) of Washington State](#).

[Applications](#) are due by **Wednesday, April 26, 2023**.

The ELAC Representative is:

- Appointed by the WLA President
- A non-voting, advisory position to the WLA Board
- Serves a term of two years; the incumbent may be appointed for one additional year
- A member of WLA

The Legislature created the Department of Early Learning's (DEL) Early Learning Advisory Council (ELAC) in 2007. The Council plays a pivotal role in the early learning system as an advisory body to DEL on statewide early learning issues that contribute to the ongoing efforts of building a comprehensive system of quality early learning programs and services for Washington's young children and families.

ELAC's membership reflects Washington's regional, racial, and cultural diversity and includes parents, child care providers, health/safety experts and legislators, as well as representatives of Tribal Nations, independent schools, the K-12 and higher education systems, early learning regional coalitions (Regional Advisors), and others interested continuing the creation of a statewide early learning system that helps all children realize their full potential. Read more about ELAC and its work.

ELAC representatives from around the state meet regularly to advise and work with the [Washington State Department of Children, Youth & Families](#) to assist in policy development and implementation that assist the department in promoting alignment of private and public sector actions, objectives, and resources, so that partners can collectively ensure that all children succeed in school and life.

ELAC MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS: Members serve two-year terms that expire on June 30th of the second year. ELAC meets at least six times per year; generally from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. ELAC members are expected to attend the majority of meetings and be prepared to actively participate. Participants who

volunteer in subcommittees or work groups should expect to meet outside of the regular meeting dates. Membership seats are unpaid positions, although non-governmental members may be eligible for compensation and reimbursement for travel expenses incurred while carrying out ELAC duties.

For more information, please [view our application](#). If you have questions or require assistance, please contact the WLA Office at info@wla.org.

ALD/ACRL-WA Drop-in Discussion

Libraries and library workers find some of their best work in collaboration. In this discussion, we are exploring partnerships – both formal and informal, both internal to the school and the library, as well as external. What projects have you collaborated on and contributed to? How do you establish and sustain relationships with individuals and organizations? Bring your stories and your questions to our next drop-in discussion!

This discussion will be held Thursday, April 13, 12-1pm.
Please log in to the [WLA Member Calendar](#) to access the Zoom link.

Look Who's Hiring

Antioch University Seattle is seeking a [Core Faculty and Director of School Library Endorsement Program](#).

Bellevue College is seeking a [Part-Time Librarian](#).

Highline College is seeking [Part Time Faculty - Library & Information Services](#).

King County Library System is seeking three [Librarian and Information Services Managers](#).

NCW Libraries is seeking a [Branch Librarian \(Okanogan\)](#).

Pacific Lutheran University is seeking a [Dean of the Library](#).

San Juan Island Library is seeking an [Assistant Director / Adult Services Manager](#).

Seattle Central College is seeking a [Full-time Faculty Tenure-Track Librarian](#).

Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking a [Library Associate, Childrens Services](#).

Spokane Community College is seeking a [Faculty Librarian - Tenure-Track](#) and a [Library Circulation Supervisor](#).

Tigard Public Library is seeking a [Youth Services Supervisor](#).

The Oregon Tech Library is seeking a [Technical Services and Systems Librarian](#).

The Molalla (OR) Public Library is hiring a [Programming and Outreach Librarian](#).

Washington State Library is seeking a [Branch Librarian](#), a [Library Associate \(Prison Libraries\)](#), and a [Serials Cataloger](#).

Whitworth University is seeking a [Public Services & Circulation Supervisor](#).

UW Tacoma is seeking a [Business and User Experience Librarian](#).

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

NWILL 2023 Virtual Conference - Call for Proposals

[The Northwest Interlibrary Loan](#) & Resource Sharing Conference Planning Committee invites proposals on interlibrary loan and resource sharing from all over North America and the world: pre-recorded lightning rounds (7-10 minutes), live presentations or panels (45 minutes).

Submissions from all types of libraries are encouraged, as are proposals from individuals from diverse and underrepresented backgrounds, identities, and communities. We truly want the conference to be as representative of our profession as possible.

Presenters and co-presenters will receive free registration to the conference. Submit a proposal using the [NWILL Presentation Proposal Submission Form](#) no later than **12 pm, May 1, 2023**. Expect to hear back by June regarding the status of your proposal.

PNLA 2024 Call for Proposals Open!

The Pacific Northwest Library Association (PNLA) conference committee is accepting proposals for the PNLA 2023 conference, Connecting our

Communities, to be held August 2-5 in Moscow, Idaho. The proposal form as well as conference details can be [found here](#).

For questions, please email debkplna@hotmail.com.

PLA 2024 Call for Proposals Open!

The Public Library Association (PLA) is headed to Columbus, OH, April 3–5, 2024, to host the premier event for public libraries—[PLA Conference](#)! In a profession that is constantly changing and adapting to new challenges, public library workers need the tools and resources to stay a step ahead. That's why PLA offers over 100 top-quality education sessions—curated by public libraries for public libraries—that foster innovation, inclusion, and collaboration.

[Submit a proposal](#) to share your idea for a workshop or program session! Proposals for both in-person and virtual programs are being accepted. The deadline for submitting proposals is May 1, at 2:59 pm PST.

Before getting started, please preview the [proposal form](#) and check out the [recommendations for developing a great proposal](#).

News & Notes

Prevent Child Abuse Washington State Chapter Distributing Child Abuse Prevention Month Materials to Libraries

The Prevent Child Abuse Washington state chapter, housed within the Department of Children, Youth & Families will be distributing free materials to libraries for April, which Gov. Inslee has declared as Child Abuse Prevention month. They have coloring books, stickers, poster kits, seeds, temporary tattoos and other items available for free, and will mail out to any libraries in the state that would be interested in distributing to families. They also have digital copies of the coloring pages that are [available for families or libraries to print out here](#).

If you have any questions please contact kyra.ingraham@dcyf.wa.gov.

Washington State Book Award: Upcoming Readings

The Washington State Book Awards, a partnership of the Washington Center for the Book (administered by Washington State Library) and The Seattle Public Library, bring you two new readings in April:

Join Elsa Sjunneson, Washington State Book Award winner and author of "Being Seen: One DeafBlind Woman's Fight to End Ableism." Sjunneson will read from her book and take questions from the audience on **April 6 at 7pm**.

You can [join in person at WTBBL](#), 2021 9th Ave., Seattle, WA 98121, or [streaming live via Zoom](#). Registration is required to receive the event Zoom link.

Join Tukwila resident Sharon Hashimoto, winner of the 2022 Washington State Book Award for Poetry, as she shares excerpts from "More American" [at the Tukwila Branch of KCLS](#), **April 8, 2 pm**

This work portrays the realities of assimilation, service, and internment experienced by Japanese Americans during and in the decades following the World War II. Join the event [in person at the library](#) or [register to get the Zoom link](#).

The Learning Curve

Homelessness 101 for Libraries

In this presentation, the [Colorado Coalition for the Homeless](#) will provide a practical understanding of the state of homelessness on a national and local level, causes and consequences, and innovative solutions, including those provided by the Coalition. The Colorado Coalition for the Homeless is a 38-year-old organization that advocates for and provides a continuum of housing and a variety of services to improve the health, well-being and stability of those it serves.

This webinar will be held April 6 at 12:00 pm. Please [register here](#).

School Librarians Lead Learning and Transformation

WebJunction, a program of OCLC Research, is offering an in-person workshop that highlights research-based practices and approaches for transforming your school library. The workshop will feature topics such as advocacy, compassionate makerspaces, student-centered learning, and more, with hands-on activities and opportunities for community building and peer learning that will enable you to strengthen the work you do to support and inspire students in your school library. This workshop is open for certified teacher librarians and school library paraeducators, and school library support staff.

Clock hours will be provided through the Washington State Library.

Event Logistics:

Saturday, 9:30 am-12:30 pm

Location: Anacortes, Olympia, Spokane

Light snacks and hot beverages will be provided.

Cost: NONE!

Registration Links:

[April 22 \(ESD 189 - Anacortes\)](#)

[May 6 \(ESD 113 - Olympia\)](#)

[May 13 \(ESD 101 - Spokane\)](#)

[May 20 ESD 105, Yakima\)](#)

Questions? Contact J. Elizabeth Mills, millse@oclc.org

2023 Native American Read-In

The [2023 Native American Read-In](#), co-hosted by the University of Washington Information School and Read-a-Rama will take place on **April 16, from 1:00-2:30 pm**. Come listen to the following speakers:

- [Angeline Bouley](#) (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Bear Clan from Sugar Island), YA author
- [Cynthia Leitich Smith](#) (Muscogee Nation), author
- [Tasha Spillett](#) (Inniniwak (Cree) and Trinidadian), author, educator, poet, ceremony woman, and traditional singer
- Mandi Harris (Cherokee), iSchool MLIS alum and iSchool PhD student
- [Tony Duncan](#) (Apache, Arikara, Hidatsa), hoop dancer & musician
- [Violet Duncan](#) (Plains Cree, Taino), hoop dancer & author

Additionally, there will be several other authors, illustrators, and entertainers! UW MLIS alum and current Ph.D. student Mandi Harris will emcee the event, and Dr. Cheryl Metoyer, founder of the iSchool's Native North American Indigenous Knowledge Initiative, will offer an opening reading.

Please come and consider making a donation in support of the event as well. [Register here](#) to attend.

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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