



# ***Welcome to WLA Wednesday***

December 20, 2017

On this day: In 1812, *Grimm's Fairy Tales* by Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm is published.

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## **Making Headlines**

### **WLA Office Closed for Holidays**



The WLA office will be closed December 25 - January 1 for the holidays. If you need to get in touch with us, we will still be monitoring email and voicemail periodically. We will respond to all pressing or time-sensitive concerns.

We wish you a warm and safe holiday and a happy New Year!

**Look Who's Hiring**

**Conference Communiqué**

**MLA Tech Camp**



University of Washington Libraries is seeking a [Public Services Librarian](#). Applications are due February 3.

The Washington State Library is seeking a [Customer Service Specialist 2](#). The position is open until filled.

Seattle Public Schools is seeking a [Library Instructional Materials Program Manager](#). Applications are due January 8.

Central Skagit Library District is seeking a [Supervisory Librarian](#). Applications are due January 8.

Highline College is seeking a [Reference Librarian](#). Applications are due February 7.

Renton Technical College is seeking a [Librarian](#). Applications are due January 7.

[The Pacific Northwest Library Association](#) (PNLA) lists job openings frequently. You can also browse WLA institutional members' postings [here](#).

If you have a current posting for libraries in the WLA community you would like to submit, please [email](#) us and indicate "For WLA Wednesday" in the subject line.

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## News & Notes

### Wikipedia's #1Lib1Ref Campaign



The general idea of Wikipedia's upcoming [#1lib1ref campaign](#) is simple: Imagine a World where Every Librarian Adds One More Reference to Wikipedia. If every librarian in the world added one citation to Wikipedia, Wikipedia wouldn't have any more [citation

Do you need to manage born digital content in your collection? Maybe a refresher on fair use of your digital collections? Or guide patrons through creating data visualizations. Come to [#mlatechcamp!](#) (MLA tech camp). The Emerging Technologies and Services Committee of the Music Library Association (MLA) is hosting a one day pre-conference workshop on January 31 before the [MLA annual meeting](#) in Portland, OR (January 31 – February 4) to enhance skill sets of librarians, humanists, and technologists who work or want to work with digital objects and data.

This workshop will offer something for seasoned practitioners as well as novices to learn and build together in a collaborative, interactive, informal, spontaneous, and productive environment. All are welcome, whether you are working with music materials or not. [Registration](#) for the pre-conference is separate from MLA's annual meeting.

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## The Learning Curve

### Revisiting the Founding Era

Public libraries are invited to apply for [Revisiting the Founding Era](#), a nationwide project that will use historical documents to spark public conversations about the Founding Era's enduring ideas and themes and how they continue to influence our lives today.

Up to 100 U.S. public libraries will be selected to host programs related to the American Revolution and the early years of the nation. Working in collaboration with scholars, local experts, and others, libraries will be asked to implement at least three public programs for adult and teen audiences. Participating libraries will receive:

- 10 copies of a 100-page reader containing selected documents from the Gilder Lehrman Collection, one of the great archives in U.S. history
- \$1,000 to help implement discussion groups and other public programs
- Training, resources, and support

[Read the full project guidelines](#) and [apply online](#) by January 31. Public libraries serving

needed] tags.

Getting involved can be as simple as committing to add a citation to Wikipedia—you can use our [Citation Hunt tool](#) to simplify this process—or hosting a Coffee Hour, edit-a-thon, or other event at your library. Add the #1Lib1Ref hashtag to your edits so Wikipedia can track participation. Grab yourself a #1Lib1Ref userbox for your Wikipedia page. The campaign will run from January 15 through February 3.

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### ARSL Conference Call for Proposals

The Association for Small and Rural Libraries (ARSL) Conference Program Committee is excited to release the call for session proposals for [2018 ARSL Conference](#) in Springfield, Illinois, September 13-15. The conference theme this year is "Linking Libraries in the Land of Lincoln." [Learn more and submit here!](#) Proposals are due by 3:00 pm PT on January 24.

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### Libraries as Responsible Spaces Survey

At the 2017 ALA Annual Conference, the ALA Council adopted a [Resolution on Libraries as Responsible Spaces](#) and charged the Committee on Diversity to "develop, provide, and disseminate materials and programming for libraries that deter hate, foster community, and oppose bigotry toward or oppression against any group." The committee has developed a survey to help determine what materials, programming, and other resources related to responsible spaces would be most useful to libraries. They are seeking feedback and guidance as they begin to develop these resources. [The survey](#) takes 5-10 minutes to complete and closes on January 12.

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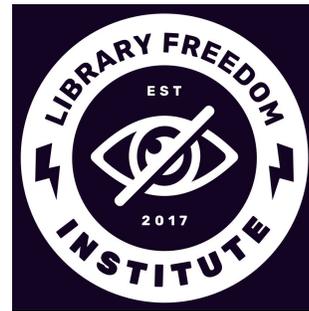
### PNLA Quarterly Call for Submissions

Leadership in Librarianship is the focus of the Summer 2018 issue of PNLA Quarterly. Library practitioners, students, and educators in the PNLA region are invited to submit articles that deal with any aspect of Leadership in Librarianship in our profession, including (but not limited to) training, best practices, ethical issues, practical concerns, staff development, and planning. Articles may be theoretical, research-based, or practice-

rural or underserved communities are especially encouraged to apply.

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### Library Freedom Institute Accepting Applications



[The Library Freedom Institute \(LFI\)](#) is an IMLS-funded collaboration between NYU and Library Freedom Project. The Institute is a privacy-focused program for librarians to teach them the skills necessary to thrive as Privacy Advocates; from installing privacy software to influencing public policy. It's completely free for participants, and the first cohort will begin in June 2018.

LFI is a six-month program for a select group of librarians who will spend five hours per week on a combination of readings, webinars, exercises, class discussion, and assignments. LFI is a free online course with one in-person requirement, which will take place on a weekend in New York City.

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### Let's Talk About Race in Storytimes

Storytime is the perfect place to model an open and welcoming environment for your whole community. No one should feel left out or erased from a larger narrative by never being able to see their themselves or their race reflected in storytime. How can we as librarians practice talking about race and model inclusion for our community? How can we work in training our storytime colleagues to not be afraid of delving deeper in creating an affirming and inclusive storytime environment? How do you gain institutional support that social justice advocacy should be included in storytimes? At this webinar, we will have a conversation in hopes it will lead to practice in tangible ways to model storytime inclusion. Presented by Jessica Anne Bratt, Grand Rapids Public Library.

focused. The deadline for submissions to [pqeditors@gmail.com](mailto:pqeditors@gmail.com) is March 31.

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### iSchool Career Fair

Registration is open for the [University of Washington iSchool Career Fair](#). This event is a great opportunity for companies and organizations to discuss career opportunities, job openings, and internships with outstanding students in the information field who are potential interns and part- or full-time employees. This event has sold out in recent years and receives very positive feedback from students and employers. The fair is open to iSchool students and others across campus who are seeking jobs and internships in the information science field. Last year, more than 800 students attended the fair.

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### The Future Looks Bright for Librarianship

According to recent "The Future of Skills: Employment in 2030" report from Pearson, librarians, curators, and archivists will be the ninth most in demand occupation group in coming years. Librarians will be more in demand in 2030 than media and communication workers, construction trade workers, and others, according to the report. Why, despite consistent evidence that public librarians are in demand, do we continue to see articles proclaiming our death? Read more from [Public Libraries Online](#), and find the full report [here](#).

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### Teen Video Challenge



Budding teenage videographers across Washington are invited to participate in the 2018 Teen Video Challenge, a Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) sponsored competition, hosted by the Washington State Library. Teenagers ages 13 through 18 can create a 30 to 90-second video with their unique interpretation of the 2018 CSLP Teen Video Challenge slogan, "Libraries Rock!" in combination with reading and libraries. [Visit](#)

[Tune in](#) January 9 at 9:00 am PT for this free First Tuesdays webinar from the Washington State Library.

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### Skid Road: The Intersection of Health and Homelessness

Made possible by a Washington Stories Fund Grant from Humanities Washington and other sources, [Skid Road: The Intersection of Health and Homelessness](#) is a digital project that weaves together videos, photographs, essays, oral histories, and a book in order to chronicle the experiences of those living and working with homelessness in King County. Learn more about the project [here](#).

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### Apply for a Grant to Partner with NASA

The NASA Office of Education invites proposals from libraries, museums, science centers, youth-serving organizations, and other eligible nonprofits via [NASA Teams Engaging Affiliated Museums and Informal Institutions](#). Proposals must be submitted electronically via the NASA proposal data system NSPIRES or Grants.gov. The grant will allow libraries to participate in NASA-based activities and provide students with the opportunity to contribute to NASA's mission. [Proposals](#) are due February 28.

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### From Facilities to Trauma: Disaster Planning and Community Resiliency at Your Library

Recent catastrophes have highlighted the important role public libraries play in enhancing their community's resiliency and post-disaster recovery efforts. Many community leaders now view libraries as ad hoc disaster recovery centers and recognize librarians as Information First Responders. This presentation will help you and your library embrace this new role as Information First Responders, who quickly enable people to get back to work, back to their lives, and ensure recovery of the community's economic life. Learn what you need to prepare before disaster strikes, guided by New Jersey State Library's [Disaster Preparedness & Community Resiliency Toolkit](#), which has been emergency-tested by libraries. Your library can

[the Teen Video Challenge website for details.](#)  
Submissions must be received by February 10  
to be eligible.

be at the forefront in providing that safe haven  
in times of crisis and helping your community  
return to normal life.

[Tune in](#) January 30 at 12:00 pm.

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Have news to share? Please send it to  
the [WLA office](#) by Monday to be included in  
that week's digest. Please include "For WLA  
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