



WELCOME TO WLA WEDNESDAY

May 30, 2018

On this day: In 1966, Surveyor 1, the first US spacecraft to land on an extraterrestrial body, is launched.

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MAKING HEADLINES

WLA Scholarships Are Open!

Apply now for a **WLA Scholarship**! The WLA Professional Development Committee (formerly the Continuing Education Committee) has launched five scholarships to support the professional development of WLA members. Applications close July 1, 2018.

- **Maryan E. Reynolds Scholarship:** \$1000 - \$3000 to one or more WLA members enrolled in an ALA-accredited master's 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.

LOOK WHO'S HIRING

CONFERENCE COMMUNIQUE

Exhibitor & Sponsor Registration Is OPEN!

King County Library System is seeking an **Operations Supervisor - Enumclaw**. The position is open until filled.

Muckleshoot Tribal School is seeking a **Librarian**. The position is open until filled.

Backstage Library Works is seeking a **Library Sales Representative, West/Southwest**. The position is open until filled.

The Washington State Library is seeking to fill four openings: **Library & Archives Paraprofessional 2, Branch Library Associate (Library and Archives Paraprofessional 5 in-training), Branch Library Associate, and Library & Archives Paraprofessional 2**. All positions are open until filled.

Highline Public Schools is seeking a **Library Technician**. The position closes May 31.

The Richland Public Library is seeking a **Library Assistant II**. The position closes June 8.

Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking a **Lead Librarian for Business Services**. The position closes June 10.

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.

NEWS & NOTES

Submit to *Alki's* "Milestones"

Alki's "Milestones" column focuses on significant moments for libraries statewide - recognizing notable new hires, transitions, retirements, as well as remembrances of those who have passed. We're looking for submissions, of approximately 250 words, that highlight notable accomplishments in the careers of those profiled. Photographs are encouraged. Please send information to **Sheri Boggs**, *Alki* editor, by June 4.

CAYAS Books & Brews



Registration is now open for exhibitors and sponsors at the 2018 WLA Conference! The conference is expected to draw 500 attendees from public, academic, school, and special libraries throughout Washington. Space is limited, and we anticipate selling out of booth spaces. To learn more, **visit our conference website** and download the Exhibitor & Sponsor Prospectus.

New this year, we will offer Vendor Demos as an opportunity for exhibitors to showcase products and services! Vendor Demos will be included in the cost of booth registration for the pilot year of this program.

THE LEARNING CURVE

'Public Innovators Lab for Libraries' Training in St. Louis

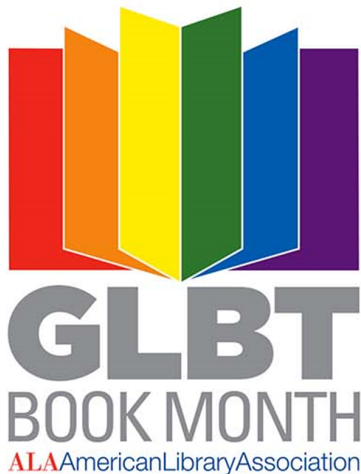
The American Library Association (ALA) and The Harwood Institute for Public Innovation announce a three-day training opportunity to help libraries strengthen their role as agents of positive change in their communities. The Public Innovators Lab for Libraries will be held October 9 to 11, in St. Louis, Missouri. Librarians, community partners and stakeholders in libraries of all types — public, academic, school and special libraries — are invited to attend.

Learn more about the ALA/Harwood Institute Public Innovators Lab for Libraries. Participants must **register online** by Friday, September 28. The cost is \$995 per person, and team participation is encouraged.

Reimagining Transgender 'Inclusion' for Libraries

Have you been wondering what **CAYAS** is all about? Now is your chance to find out! Head to **Airways Tap Room & Brewery** in Kent on Thursday, June 14, 6:00-8:00 pm, to chat books with colleagues.

Celebrate GLBT Book Month This June



The American Library Association (ALA) and hundreds of libraries will celebrate June 2018 as **GLBT Book Month™**, a nationwide celebration of the authors and writings that reflect the GLBT experience.

Originally established in the early 1990s by The Publishing Triangle as National Lesbian and Gay Book Month, GLBT Book Month™ is held annually in June and honors the authors and writings that reflect the lives and experiences of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community. GLBT Book Month™ is coordinated through the ALA's Office for Diversity, Literacy, and Outreach Services and the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table.

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 Wednesday" in the subject line.

Are you interested in increasing your understanding of transgender issues, changing your use of gendered language, and thinking about your library's policies of inclusion? This session focuses on providing a basic understanding of the rich variety of gender identities and experiences, best practices for working with transgender patrons and communities, and tips on where to begin thinking about the impact of library policies on queer and transgender people. Participants will be introduced to trans-inclusive language and basic concepts of gender and sexuality, improved services for transgender patrons, and the opportunity to move beyond basic respect and inclusion to affirmation and representation. This session is appropriate for all types of library and public service workers and will give you practical tips, tools and takeaways to improve your interactions and services for transgender patrons and co-workers.

Tune in to this **free First Tuesdays webinar** from the Washington State Library on Tuesday, June 5 at 9:00 am PT.

Librarians' Insights on How to Integrate STEM and Coding into Makerspaces

There's no doubt that foundational knowledge of science, technology, engineering, and math will help tomorrow's job seekers to excel in the future of work. However, much of this success depends on the level of STEM instruction they receive while still in elementary, middle, and high school. In this free webinar, Dr. Azadeh Jamalian, head of education strategy at littleBits, will talk about how school libraries are bringing STEM into their curriculum and the leading role that librarians and media specialists are taking to make this a reality.

Tune in Monday, June 11 at 10:00 am PT. **Register here.**

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