



WELCOME TO WLA WEDNESDAY

October 9, 2019

On this day: In 1446, the document describing Hangul, a new and native script for the Korean language, was published. Hangul Day is celebrated in South Korea on this day.

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MAKING HEADLINES

Call for Program Proposals: WLA Academic Library Conference

We're now accepting program proposals for the **WLA Academic Library Conference!** CLAWS (College Libraries Across Washington State) and ALD (Academic Library Division) will come together with their first-ever conference. This all-day event will be held on March 20, 2020, at Central Washington University in Ellensburg. **Submit your proposals here!**

The conference theme of "Deep Roots, New Growth" seeks to cultivate the fruit of academic library work while staying grounded in an ever-changing library environment. We find ourselves at a crossroads of new and emerging ways of accessing information in academic libraries and continuously challenging the library image on campus, while also staying connected to the bedrock principles of libraries. How do we remain responsive to a changing student population, as well as increasing focus on diversity and inclusion? How can we grow with the culture of our campus patrons and rise to meet the future needs of teaching and learning?

Proposals are due no later than Tuesday, October 29. Applicants will be notified of their proposal status by Tuesday, November 12.

Please direct questions to the WLA office at info@wla.org or (206) 823-1138.

***Alki* Call for Milestones**

Milestones 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 [Di Zhang](#), *Alki* editor, by Oct. 25.

LOOK WHO'S HIRING

J.S. Held LLC is seeking a **Technical and Scientific Information Librarian**. The position is open until filled.

Central Skagit Library District is seeking a **Head of Public Services**. The position is open until October 26.

The Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation is seeking a **Data Library Curator**. The position is open until filled.

Kitsap Regional Library is seeking a **Youth Services Librarian**. The position is open until October 14.

Spokane County Library District is seeking a **Library Supervisor**. The position is open until October 18.

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.

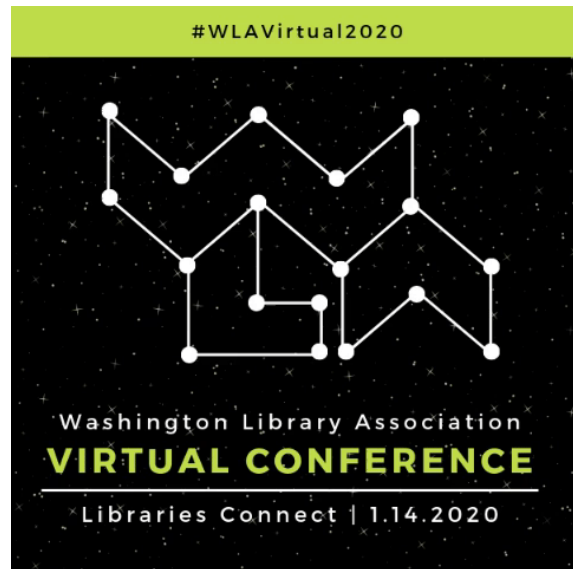
NEWS & NOTES

Call for Alki Submissions: The Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Issue

It's time to submit article ideas for the next issue of *Alki*! The theme for Fall 2019 is "Equity, Diversity and Inclusion." In these challenging times, our profession has an opportunity and a responsibility to rethink how we engage communities that are using our libraries, and also those that are not. Many organizations and library staff are setting bold visions, policies, programs, and examples for creating spaces of inclusion, empowerment, and belonging for everyone, particularly those who are underrepresented and marginalized. This issue is devoted to this goal and the ongoing work needed to achieve it. If you or someone you know are doing this work, and would like to write about it, please consider

CONFERENCE COMMUNIQUE

Save the Date: WLA Virtual Conference



Mark your calendars for the first-ever **WLA Virtual Conference** on Tuesday, January 14, 2020! This all-day event will bring together library professionals from around Washington and the world to build connections and envision the future of libraries.

By holding this conference online, we're able to lower the barriers of attending and presenting that many face due to limited staffing, funding, or location. Stay tuned for more information about the schedule, keynotes, registration, and opportunities for group viewings. Programs will be focused on three topic tracks: *Emergent Technologies*, *Career & Professional Development*, and *Marketing & Communications*. Special consideration will be given to programs relevant to small and rural libraries.

Save the Date: WLA Academic Library Conference

WLA's CLAWS (College Libraries Across Washington State) Section and ALD (Academic Library Division) will come together for the **2020 WLA Academic Library Conference**. This all-day event will be held at on March 20, 2020, at Central Washington

sending your article idea(s) to alkieditor@wla.org and include:

- Your name and position/library
- Description of the article
- Suggested title
- Estimated length (in pages); each page = 750 words (or fewer with graphics)
- Intent to include graphics (photo, logo, other)
- Contact information

The deadline to submit articles for the Fall issue is October 18, 2019. Please see the **Instructions for Contributors** for more details. Di Zhang, the editor of *Alki*, is happy to discuss ideas and expectations with you as well. We are also accepting articles that are not related to the theme but are of interest to the WLA community.

PLA Space Planning Workshop

WSL has reserved three spots for the **Public Library Association (PLA) Space Planning workshop** in Multnomah County Library on November 22. To apply for one of these spots, please go to the **WSL Professional Development Grants** page.

Media Literacy Week: October 21–25

For the first time ever, the United States and Canada are raising awareness around media awareness during the same week. Check out the resources for Canada's upcoming **#medialiteracy** week called **#BreaktheFake** at **@MediaSmarts**. You can also explore the resources that the **Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI)** has curated to support this important content area **here**.

KCLS Reel Fest, Film Contest and Festival: "What Does the Library Mean to You?"

Residents of all ages and filmmaking abilities in the KCLS service area are invited to answer that question and share their library story in a two-minute film. Contestants can win up to \$1,000 and a chance to see their film on the big screen at KCLS Reel Fest, a free film festival in March 2020 where we'll premiere the finalists' films and announce the winners.

You can learn more at the **press release** and **video promo**.

University in Ellensburg. Stay tuned for more details!

Save the Date: 2020 WLA Conference



Save the date for the **2020 WLA Conference!**

When: October 7-10, 2020

Where: Spokane Convention Center

A request for conference proposals will be sent out in early 2020. Stay tuned for more details.

THE LEARNING CURVE

CAYAS Fall Workshop: Diversify Your Services, Refocus Your STEM Lens

Registration is now open for the CAYAS Fall Workshop! Join public and school library professionals for a day of learning! Discover strategies for using Children's & Young Adult Literature to engage readers of all ages with discussions about diversity, equity, and inclusion. Be introduced to new story time practices and new books for youth. Learn about providing STEM programming in a library setting. This workshop is appropriate for anyone serving ages 0 through 18 in libraries. Breakfast and snacks provided. Lunch on your own. Learn more and register **here**.

Webinar: Being a Better Ally to All

Every organization has a group of stakeholders, staff, and volunteers who must foster effective communication through

State Archivists, Librarians Honored for Aberdeen Artifact Preservation

"On Saturday, several Grays Harbor representatives were on hand as the Washington State Historical Society presented its annual awards for excellence in advancing the field of history in the Evergreen State. The Washington State Archives and Washington State Library were recognized for their joint effort to save thousands of photos, negatives, slides, film, tapes and documents damaged in last year's Armory Building fire, which destroyed the Aberdeen Museum of History."

Read [this article](#) in the Daily World for more.

Fall 2019 Seattle Librarians Meet-Up

The South Seattle Librarians Meet-Up is hitting the road for Fall 2019. Come join at **Woodshop BBQ** in Seattle's Central District on Friday, October 18 from 5:30 pm–7:30 pm. Please share to librarians, library workers, MLIS students, and the like! Email greg.bem@lwtech.edu for more information.

OSPI Media Literacy Integration Grant Program Open

OSPI has a newly established media literacy grant program. This is a competitive grant program for the purpose of supporting school teams as they work to develop and share openly licensed two to four week curriculum units where media literacy or digital citizenship skills are integrated into instructional units within the areas of social studies, English language arts and health.

Most awards are anticipated to be in the \$15,000 range. Grant applications are now available on **iGrants Form Package 922**, and are due by 4:00 pm on October 21, 2019.

If you have questions, contact Dennis Small, Educational Technology Director, 360-725-6384, dennis.small@k12.wa.us.

conflict, change, and crisis. With increased comfort and confidence, you can be prepared to hold and encourage others to have the challenging conversations that lead to better collaboration and teamwork. Developing a culture based on listening, speaking up, and taking responsibility builds teams of cooperation for the short- and long-term.

This free webinar will take place Wednesday, October 16 from 9:00 am–10:00 am PT. You can learn more or register [here](#).

Webinar: Health Insurance Literacy and How Librarians Can Help

Libraries are prominent places in communities making libraries and librarians excellent resources for advancing health information literacy. For example, librarians can address the unmet information needs that leave many unable to make appropriate health insurance choices. For those with lower levels of health insurance literacy, the ability to procure appropriate levels of health insurance coverage may be limited, which can have dire effects on individuals' health statuses.

This free webinar will take place Wednesday, October 16 from 1:00 pm–2:00 pm PT. You can learn more or register [here](#).

INCOL Fall Workshop: Harassment Prevention in the Library: Responding to Sexual, Racial, and Bullying Incidents Involving Staff or Patrons

Sexual and racial harassment and bullying prevention in any library organization is about having an updated and accurate policy, training all employees to follow that policy, and then enforcing the policy, using consequences for the perpetrators (who could be staff members or patrons), and support for the victims. This training program is suitable for all library directors, managers, supervisors, and (full and part-time) employees.

This free workshop will take place Thursday, November 7. There is a morning and afternoon session. 1:00 pm–2:00 pm PT. You can learn more or register by October 31 [here](#).

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.

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