



# WELCOME TO WLA WEDNESDAY

November 13, 2019

On this day: In 1895, the first shipment of canned pineapple embarked from Hawaii.

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## MAKING HEADLINES

### *Alki* Seeks New Editor



WLA is seeking an Editor for *Alki*! A minimum two-year commitment is requested, and the position will begin by March 2020. The *Alki* Editor is responsible for providing a balanced mixture of relevant and thoughtful articles and features on the interests, responsibilities, and concerns of all library personnel. Editor receives a \$3,000 annual honorarium to be delivered in three equal installments, plus approved expenses. **Apply** by November 19.

**CAYAS Fall Workshop this Friday:  
Diversify Your Services, Refocus Your STEM Lens**

**CAYAS  
FALL  
WORKSHOP**

**Save the Date!**  
**Friday, November 15, 2019**  
**10am-4pm**  
**Lacey Timberland Library**  
**Lacey, WA**



There is still space available to join public and school library professionals on this Friday, November 15 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](#).

## LOOK WHO'S HIRING

North Olympic Library System is seeking an **IT Specialist III**. The position is open until November 29.

Spokane Public Library is seeking a **Youth Services Librarian**. The position is open until November 18.

Pend Oreille County Library District is seeking a **Program Specialist**. They are also seeking a **Youth Program Specialist**. The positions are open until November 25.

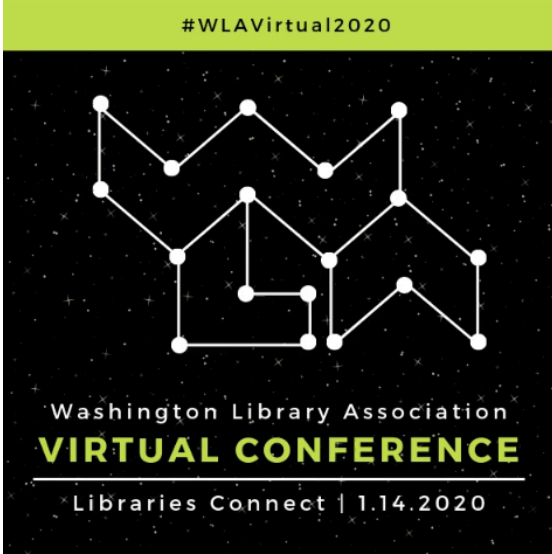
The Washington State Library is seeking a **Branch Librarian**. The position is open until filled.

**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,

## CONFERENCE COMMUNIQUE

**Save the Date: Virtual Library Conference**



#WLAVirtual2020

Washington Library Association  
**VIRTUAL CONFERENCE**  
 Libraries Connect | 1.14.2020

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

please **email** us and indicate "For WLA Wednesday" in the subject line.

## NEWS & NOTES

### Apply for Library Census Equity Fund

The American Library Association (ALA) is now accepting **applications** for **Library Census Equity Fund** mini-grants. ALA will provide 25 libraries with \$2,000 mini-grants to bolster their service to hard-to-count communities and help achieve a complete count in the 2020 Census. All types of libraries and library organizations are eligible to apply. Applications are due November 22.

### Legislative Day 2020: Registration Open

Join us in Olympia on February 5 for the **WA Library Legislative Day**, sponsored by WLA! This is a great opportunity to network with library supporters from around the state and meet with state legislators and their staff to discuss the value of libraries and the impact laws have on them. Make sure your voice gets heard and your library community is represented.

WA Library Legislative Day is free to attend. This year, WLA will be setting up meetings between attendees and legislators. **Online registration is now open!**

### Host a Speaker, Enrich Your Community

Applications are open through Friday, November 15 to host an event with Humanities Washington's Speakers Bureau in early 2020! Funding is available to cover financial costs for libraries. Learn more **here!**

### Libraries Responding to the Opioid Crisis

Together with the Public Library Association, OCLC has completed eight research-based cases studies exploring how libraries are responding to the opioid crisis with partners. The **case studies and a summary report** are now available.

This report provides an overview of the case study locations, emerging practices of how libraries are responding to the crisis in collaboration with their partners, and outcomes of the initiatives; and identifies both the opportunities and barriers that libraries

and the world to build connections and envision the future of libraries.

### Save the Date: WLA Academic Library Conference



## wla academic library conference

March 20, 2020 | Ellensburg, WA

deep roots, new growth

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 University in Ellensburg.

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?

### Save the Date: 2020 WLA Conference

should consider when deciding how to fulfill their role as a community resource during a public health crisis.

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### Adult Large Print Survey Request

Middle Tennessee State University is seeking responses from library professionals who manage public library collections of adult large print. Feel free to take the survey [here](#).

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### GeekGirlCon Is November 16 & 17

**GeekGirlCon** is November 16 and 17 at the Washington State Convention Center in Seattle! The convention gives female geeks and their supporters the opportunity to build a community, share facts and fandom, and learn how they can help promote the role of women and other underrepresented groups in geek culture. Learn more [here](#)!

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### TEDxSeattle Is November 23

**TEDxSeattle** is an independently organized TED event that promises fast-paced and engaging presentations with illustrious speakers from the fields of medical research, art, technology, and philanthropy encompassing multiple aspects of change from the power of a subtle shift in attitude to major changes in ecosystems.

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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 Wednesday" in the subject line.



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

### Webinar: Native American Heritage Month

Join in observing Native American Heritage Month with a presentation by Eugene Fracek, member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe in South Dakota and a cultural ambassador who teaches people of all ages about American Indian Tribes. Since retirement, Mr. Fracek teaches at Simpson College in Indianola, Iowa and as an American Indian storyteller for CultureAll. In this one-hour webinar, Mr. Fracek will present an overview and perspective of the history, cultural values and behaviors, and legal issues impacting American Indian Tribes and members of those Tribes.

This free webinar will take place Wednesday, November 20 from 11:00 am–12:00 pm PT. You can learn more or register [here](#).