



WELCOME TO WLA WEDNESDAY

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On this day: In 1960, Black college students stage the first of the Nashville sit-ins at three lunch counters in Nashville, Tennessee.

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MAKING HEADLINES

2019 OLA-WLA Conference Keynote Spotlight: Deborah Jacobs



OLA and WLA are excited to welcome Deborah Jacobs, director of the Global Libraries initiative for the Gates Foundation, for the Opening Keynote & Breakfast event at this year's **OLA-WLA Conference** on Thursday, April 18.

Deborah Jacobs oversees the foundation's work toward improving people's lives in developing and transitioning countries through useful, used, and sustainable public access to information and communications technology in libraries. Prior to joining the foundation in 2008, she served as Seattle City Librarian for 11 years. In addition to directing the Seattle Public Library system, Jacobs led a \$291 million capital-improvement program called "Libraries for All" that funded the construction of a new Central Library and renovated, built, or expanded 26 branch libraries.

LOOK WHO'S HIRING

The Anacortes Public Library is seeking a **Librarian**. The position is open until February 21.

Highline Public Schools is seeking an **Elementary School Librarian** and a **Secondary School Librarian**. The positions are open until filled.

Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking a **Librarian**. The position is open until February 20.

Kitsap Regional Library is seeking a **Youth Services Librarian**. The position is open until February 21.

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

Deadline Extended: *Alki* Call for Submissions

Alki, the journal of the Washington Library Association, is currently accepting submissions for the upcoming spring issue: Overwhelm/Overcome. The deadline to submit has been extended to February 17, 2019.

Please send 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

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.

CONFERENCE COMMUNIQUE

2019 OLA-WLA Conference: Registration Is Live!



2019 OLA-WLA Conference, Vancouver, WA

Registration is open for the **2019 OLA-WLA Conference!** The conference will bring together the Oregon Library Association (OLA) and Washington Library Association (WLA) for four days packed full of professional development opportunities and exciting networking events.

The Early Bird discount ends March 6.

On behalf of the Conference Committee, we hope to see you in Vancouver!

Preconference Spotlight: No Assembly Required Early Learning Programs

Learn to quickly create exceptional, early literacy rich programs for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers that will engage caregivers and children, encourage development and kindergarten readiness, and reflect the diversity of the world. Explore examples of successful activities and learn about alternatives to standard storytimes. You will leave this interactive session with time-saving techniques for developing your own no assembly required early learning programs in addition to at least one fully planned program.

This **preconference workshop** will be presented on Wednesday, April 17 at the 2019 OLA-WLA Conference. Presented by Kendra Jones, District Manager, Youth & Family Services, Timberland Regional Library; Taylor Worley, Youth Services Librarian, Springfield Public Library; and Anna Bruce, Youth Services Librarian, Happy Valley Library.

Washington Author Tour to Libraries

The Washington Center for the Book is rolling out an exciting new program to bring authors to smaller and rural public libraries across the state. The “Washington Author Tour” will match award-winning Washington authors with libraries for events at no charge to the hosting library. The authors are all excited to travel around Washington and to speak with your patrons about books. Please take a look at the [Washington Center for the Book webpage](#) for more information and then follow the links to see a list of adult, teen and children’s authors. The application process is simple; the deadline to apply for a free author visit is February 20.

Penguin Random House Award for Innovation Through Adversity

Penguin Random House and ALA have announced a new award that will recognize the staff of U.S. libraries who have overcome adversity to create lasting innovative community library service programs that inspire and connect with readers.

The award is open to public, school, and academic libraries, and the winning library will receive a \$10,000 award. Additionally, there can be up to four runner ups, with each runner up receiving \$1,000 worth of Penguin Random House books that they select.

The winning library will be recognized for efforts to overcome adversity, which can be economic or due to natural disaster. You can learn more about the award and apply [here](#).

King County Library System Welcomes Ciara and Russell Wilson for New Campaign

THE LEARNING CURVE

Unlocking the Future: Life After Incarceration

On Saturday, March 2, 1:00-3:30 pm PT, join the Washington State History Museum in Tacoma for a moderated panel conversation about the challenges and opportunities of re-entry after incarceration. Talk with fellow participants at a reception following the panel discussion. The panel is free for WSHS members or is included with museum admission.

This event is presented in association with the exhibition [Unlocking McNeil's Past: The Prison, The Place, The People](#) and the six-part podcast [Forgotten Prison](#), created in collaboration between KNKX.org and the Washington State History Museum.

Upcoming eCourse—Whole Person Librarianship: Social Work Concepts for Holistic Patron Services

ASGCLA is hosting a five-week eCourse instructed by Sara Zettervall. Whole Person Librarianship applies social work concepts to library practice to improve patron services across library types. As library-social work collaborations expand, all library staff members can learn to provide more holistic service by applying tools and technique that are grounded in decades of social work practice and experience. The techniques used in a whole person librarianship approach bolster library staff skills in areas of mental health, self care, and understanding and working with patrons in crisis, and more.

Learn more about this eCourse [here](#).

PNLA Conference in Spokane (August 7 to 9)

Pacific Northwest Library Association (PNLA) is currently accepting proposals for conference programs for the summer 2019 [conference](#) in Spokane. Some good ones are rolling in, but there's still time for you to submit. Deadline to submit is February 28. Planning on attending the conference? Information on registration and hotel rates are up now.

Northwest Interlibrary Loan & Resource Sharing Conference in Portland, OR



The partnership between the Why Not You Foundation and the King County Library System and its Foundation aims to inspire youth to achieve their dreams and promote opportunities for access, education and support through libraries.

The campaign promotes and encourages participation in a wide variety of KCLS programs—including *Teen Voices*, a multi-week program that is designed to motivate, empower and prepare high school students to be tomorrow's leaders, and to equip them with the skills, tools, confidence and mentors they need for future success. You can learn more about the campaign and partnership [here](#).

New Washington State Holocaust Survivor Encyclopedia

Look through the Holocaust Center for Humanity's new **Survivor Encyclopedia: Washington State** and explore video clips, photos, and artifacts.

A Writing, Art, & Film Contest encourages students to learn about the story of one local survivor. Through writing, art, or film, show how a local survivor's story impacts, affects, or inspires you. Winning entries will be displayed at the Holocaust Center for Humanity, and in publications throughout the year, and winners will be recognized at an awards ceremony. Teachers of 1st place winners will receive \$50, and teachers whose entire class enters will receive a gift. Entry deadline is May 1. The contest is open to students in grades 5-12.

(September 12 to 13)

The Northwest Interlibrary Loan & Resource Sharing Conference is now accepting proposals for its annual conference, which will include Nancy Pearl as its keynote speaker. The NWILL Conference Program Committee invites proposals for lightning rounds (7 minutes) and regular sessions (45 minutes) of interest to interlibrary loan and resource sharing practitioners. You can find the full call for proposals [here](#).

Pacific Northwest Region Rendezvous: The NNLM All of Us Partnership & Inside the Journey Webinar

This PNR Rendezvous session will describe the National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NNLM) All of Us Research Program partnership and what it means for libraries. It will then highlight the Journey, the All of Us Mobile Education and Enrollment Center's four-day visit to Hailey, Idaho. Come learn what's inside and how your library can "get on board" and benefit from the NNLM All of Us Research Program partnership. The webinar will be held on February 20 at 1:00pm PT. **Registration is encouraged.**

Ignite Education Lab Storytelling Event

Hang onto your hats. For the fourth year in a row, the Seattle Times and Town Hall Seattle are offering an evening of inspiring stories. All told really fast. And all about education.

You'll hear from students, teachers and parents. Most of the details remain the same: They're borrowing (with permission) the Ignite Seattle format — Each presenter shows 20 slides that automatically advance every 15 seconds, resulting in a fast-paced, five-minute talk.

This event will be Monday, March 11, 7:00–9:00 pm PT at the Champion Ballroom, Seattle University. Tickets are free but limited, so **get yours while you can**.

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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