



WELCOME TO WLA WEDNESDAY

August 11, 2021



Rena Priest to Open #WLA2021!

We're excited to announce the #WLA2021 Opening Keynote is WA State Poet Laureate Rena Priest! Register now, and enjoy this and other great events this fall in Bellevue.

Early bird registration is open for #WLA2021 through Sept. 1. Join us for three days, including pre-conference workshops, full of professional development opportunities, keynotes, and networking events, Sept. 30-Oct. 2.

Find the hybrid conference [schedule](#), which includes [keynotes](#), and [in-person](#) and [virtual](#) programs! Those able to join us for the in-person experience will find a general schedule of events, as well as our group rate for the Marriott Bellevue on the [conference homepage](#).

Looking for assistance in attending conference?

We're pleased to offer the [Conference Attendance Grant](#) this year to BIPOC association members as well as members who demonstrate financial need resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. **Applications close TODAY.**

Please contact the [WLA Office](#) with any questions.



Deadline Extended for Nomination Forms!

The deadline to complete a [nomination form](#) for WLA 2022 Elections has been extended to **Monday, August 16**. Self-nominations are welcome and encouraged!

Are you looking for leadership and professional development opportunities? Do you want to expand your learning network? Run for a position on WLA's Board, or in one of the association's Divisions or Sections. Visit wla.org/elections to find available positions.

For questions, please contact the [WLA Office](#).

Look Who's Hiring

Kelso Public Library is seeking an [Administrative Assistant](#) and a [Youth Services Librarian](#).

Kitsap Regional Library is seeking a [Branch Manager III \(Poulsbo\)](#).

Lower Columbia College is seeking an [Adjunct Faculty Librarian](#).

Mid-Columbia Libraries is seeking a [Branch Manager 2](#).

North Olympic Library System is seeking a [Youth Services Librarian 1](#) and a [Youth Services Librarian 2](#).

Olympic College is seeking Library & Archives Paraprofessionals in [Bremerton](#), [Poulsbo](#), and [Shelton](#).

San Juan Island Library is seeking an [Administrative Manager](#).

Seattle University's Lemieux Library and McGoldrick Learning Commons seek a [Marketing and Communications Strategist](#) and a [Temporary Assistant Librarian](#).

Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking a [Library Circulation Supervisor \(Lynnwood\)](#).

Tigard Public Library is seeking a [Senior Library Assistant - Technical Services](#).

If your institution has a posting for libraries in the WLA community you would like to submit, please email newsletter@wla.org and indicate "Look Who's Hiring" in the subject line.

Conference Bulletin



Register for SLA 2021 Conference

The [Special Libraries Association \(SLA\) Annual Conference](#) has begun! Join the virtual SLA experience, with live networking Aug. 3-13, interactive education Aug. 11-13, and on-demand content all month long.

Keynote speakers include Debra Jasper (Founder/CEO of Mindset Digital) and Jelani Cobb (Staff writer for *The New Yorker*). The conference is geared toward special librarians and information professionals who want to explore the latest challenges and trends in information, knowledge, and library management, refine their skills, connect with colleagues, and meet with leading product and service providers. [Register now!](#)

2021 Northwest ILL Conference Registration Open!

The [20th Annual Northwest Interlibrary Loan and Resource Sharing Conference](#) (NWILL) will once again be held virtually, Sept 1-3. [Register now!](#)

NWILL is pleased to announce its 2021 Keynote is [Kaetrena Davis Kendrick](#); a prolific author, presenter, librarian, and lecturer whose research interests include professionalism, ethics, racial and ethnic diversity in the LIS field, and the role of communities of practice in practical academic librarianship.

News & Notes

Apply for the Emergency Connectivity Fund Program

Schools and libraries are invited to [submit an application](#) for the [Emergency Connectivity Fund](#) (ECF) program through **Friday, Aug. 13**.

The ECF program is administered by the Universal Administrative Service Co. and will help schools and libraries provide the tools and services their communities need for remote learning during the COVID-19 emergency period. The [\\$7.17 billion government program](#) will provide funding to schools and libraries.

An [information session](#) about the ECF program is available, provided by the [American Library Association](#) (ALA), the [National Digital Inclusion Alliance](#) (NDIA), and the [SHLB Coalition](#). For more information, call (800) 234-9781.

Create Your Own National Book Festival!

Do you want to bring the [National Book Festival](#) to your branch? Consider submitting a program idea. The deadline to submit has been extended to Aug. 25!

As a state affiliate of the Library of Congress Center for the Book, the Washington Center for the Book has access to a list of participating authors that is not yet public. This list can be used, for planning purposes only, by libraries who would like to plan NBF programming in their branches. Events might include watch parties, community conversations, story walks, poetry slams, book club meetings, and more.

If you are interested in hosting an NBF program at your branch, please email Sara Peté, sara.pete@sos.wa.gov, and Linda Johns, linda.johns@spl.org, co-

managers of the Washington Center for the Book to get access to the list of authors and to discuss your program idea.



TRANSFORMING TEEN SERVICES TRAIN THE TRAINER

Applications Open for Transforming Teen Services Cohort

Applications are now being accepted for Washington State Library's second cohort of **Transforming Teen Services**. The cohort runs Sept-Nov 2021. Applications are due **Aug. 12**.

The 12-week facilitated curriculum consisting of both synchronous and asynchronous work. Each week, there will be independent, self-guided work in addition to synchronous meetings each Thursday from 3-4 p.m. Participants will build skills in facilitating learning and gain an understanding of topics related to equity in teen services.

This course is mostly taught from a public library perspective, but those who could benefit from a deeper dive into serving teens, such as school library staff, are encouraged and welcome to apply. For more information, contact [Sara White](#).

This grant is supported by funding provided by the federal [Institute of Museum and Library Services](#) administered by the Library Services and Technology Act, through the [Washington State Library](#), a division of the Office of the Secretary of State.

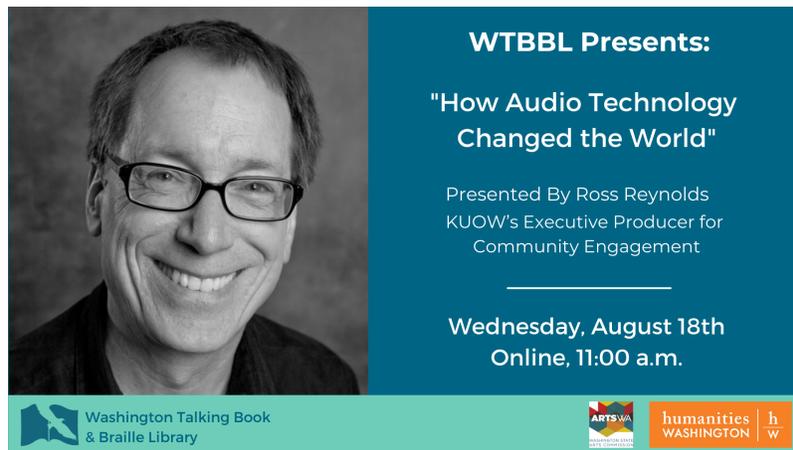
Fast Forward Library Leadership Cohort Registration

Are you a library staff member in a supervisor role or an emerging leader looking to build leadership knowledge and skills in 2021? Consider registering for the The Fast Forward Library Leadership Cohort. [Register now](#).

The next cohorts launch Sept. 10 and are limited to 10 participants per session. Zoom sessions are two-hours every other Friday, starting at 10 a.m. PT or 12:00 p.m. PT, for a total of six sessions. Cost for the cohort is \$350 per person (limited to one person per library per session to ensure confidentiality), and the fee must be paid by Aug. 27 to guarantee a spot.

Questions may be directed to cohort facilitator [Amanda E. Standerfer](mailto:amanda@standerferconsulting.com) at amanda@standerferconsulting.com.

The Learning Curve

A promotional graphic for a presentation. On the left is a black and white portrait of Ross Reynolds, a man with glasses smiling. To the right of the portrait is a teal box with white text. The text reads: "WTBBL Presents: 'How Audio Technology Changed the World' Presented By Ross Reynolds KUOW's Executive Producer for Community Engagement Wednesday, August 18th Online, 11:00 a.m." At the bottom of the graphic are three logos: the Washington Talking Book & Braille Library logo, the ARTS VA logo, and the humanities WASHINGTON logo.

WTBBL: "How Audio Technology Changed the World"

Join broadcaster Ross Reynolds for a free online presentation and discussion on Aug. 18 at 11 a.m. as the [Washington Talking Book & Braille Library](#) (WTBBL) continues its 90th anniversary celebration!

Reynolds will explore the impact that audio transmission has had on society and storytelling, beginning with the first century of radio up to the modern age of audiobooks, internet streaming, podcasts, and smart speakers. [Register in advance](#), or call WTBBL at 206-615-0400 or 800-542-0866 to receive the phone number to call into the event.

SHLB: "Establishing a Telehealth Center in Your Library"

Join this [SHLB](#) webinar on Aug. 20 at 11 a.m. PT to learn about what telehealth looks like in a library setting. Hear cases of libraries that have established their own telehealth programs, and understand the broadband infrastructure needed to facilitate these programs. [Register in advance](#).

SHLB Executive Director John Windhausen will be joined by Craig Settles, author of the ["Telehealth Guide to Connecting Library Patrons to Better Health,"](#)

Michael Williams (Indiana Library Federation), and Brian Hubbard (Education Networks of America) for a discussion on best practices and tips getting started in telehealth.

Library 2.0: "Ten Tools for the (New) Library Supervisor: Starting Out Right"

Join this 60-minute training webinar on Aug. 27 at 1 p.m. PT to learn about ten tools important for early and ongoing success as a new library supervisor.

[Register now.](#)

Attendees will learn about meeting the needs of your boss (who might not be your old boss); the challenge of supervising colleagues who are your friends (or not your friends); understanding the financial, legal, and HR-related aspects of your job, and more. Cost for the webinar is \$99 per person, which includes access to the recording and the presentation slides.

Have news to share? Please send it to the WLA office at newsletter@wla.org by Monday to be included in that week's digest.

It's a great time to become a member of the Washington Library Association.

[Join](#) or **[Renew](#)** your membership today!

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