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WLA WEDNESDAY

November 2, 2022



WLA2023 Request for Proposals

The deadline to submit proposals for WLA2023 has been extended! is is the last call to submit your proposals before the new deadline on **Thursday, Nov. 3.**

The 2023 conference theme is *All In, Reach Out*. Programs relevant to **all kinds of libraries** are sought! Program session lengths available include:

- Preconference workshops: 3, 4, or 7 hours
- Conference sessions: 45 or 75 minutes
- "WLA After Dark" sessions: 45 minutes
- Lightning Talk sessions: 10 minutes

Want to present at #WLA2023 but aren't sure what program to propose?
[Here is a list](#) of ideas that we've seen frequently requested in our recent

evaluations. Don't forget to submit your proposal(s) by Wednesday, October 26.

The Conference Committee would like to see proposals on any topics related to academic, public, school, and special libraries, whether or not a topic is included in the below list. **The list is not intended to be exhaustive or limit your options, but rather to get your ideas flowing!**

As you ready your proposal, we recommend collecting the following information in advance:

- Presenter Information (including the name, phone, email, job title, organization, and address of ALL presenters)
- Program Format
- Program Title and Description (approximately 100 words in length)
- Intended Outcomes of Program
- *See a preview of all questions at <https://tinyurl.com/WLA-RFP-202>*

Ready to submit your proposal? [Access the application form.](#)

If you have any questions, please reach out to the WLA Office at info@wla.org.



Application Open for 2023 WLA Standing Committees

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Are you interested in becoming more involved in WLA? Consider joining one of WLA's Standing Committees!

Whether you're new to WLA or a longtime volunteer, we'd love for you to get involved. Please complete the [2023 WLA Committee Interest Form](#) by Friday, November 18. You'll have the option to choose which committee(s) you're interested in - from conference planning to book award participation and more!

Committee members should:

- Participate in the meetings and activities of the committee.
- Have an interest in the work of the committee.
- Be a WLA Member

New committee members will be notified of their appointment by committee chairs no later than December 16, 2022 for a term starting January 1, 2023.

If you have any questions, please reach out to the WLA Office at info@wla.org.



Alki wants to hear from YOU!

Call for Indigenous Art!

Are you an indigenous artist? Does your library exhibit indigenous art? Alki: The Washington Library Association would like to spotlight indigenous art around the state of Washington in our upcoming issue focused on indigenous librarianship. Submit your art and information by **November 10, 2022**, by using [this Google form](#).

Submissions from libraries, museums, archives, and their employees will be prioritized. Art that is stolen or without a clear source/provenance will not be accepted. If you have questions or are experiencing issues with the form, contact Ray Zill at alkieditor@wla.org.

Call for Alki Milestones!

The Milestones section focuses on significant moments for libraries statewide—recognizing notable new hires, transitions, retirements, as well as remembrances of those who have passed.

Alki is looking for submissions, of approximately 250 words, that highlight notable accomplishments in the careers of those profiled. Photographs are encouraged.

Please send your Milestones submissions for the December Alki issue to Ray Zill at alkieditor@wla.org by **November 10, 2022**.

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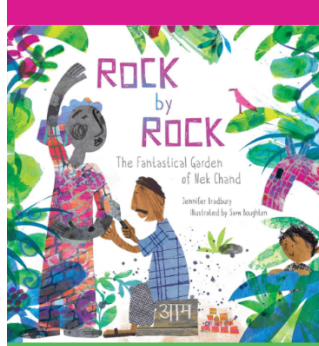
#K12LIBRARIANS4ALLWA

#K12Librarians4AllWA Campaign Launched!

The [WLA Advocacy Committee](#) and [School Library Division](#) have been hard at work laying the groundwork for a 2023 campaign aimed to get all Washington K-12 students access to qualified Teacher-Librarians. **#K12Librarians4AllWA** is the official hashtag for this WLA-supported campaign. So far, WLA members have created a [website](#) to inform Washington residents about the campaign and how they can help, crafted a letter of support for WLA to send state legislators, and even designed a campaign logo.

We need the support of ALL WLA members to make this campaign a success. Check out the [website](#) to learn more about the current state of school libraries in Washington and why this campaign is important. Share our [graphics](#) on social media (with #K12Librarians4AllWA), and let your friends and families know about this essential campaign. Most important, **write to your state legislators** with your reasons for supporting strong school libraries. **Invite your state legislators, district administrators, and school board members into your school library.** You find out how to contact your legislators on the campaign website along with a [sample letter](#) and [talking points](#).

Today's students encounter more information, and more disinformation, than ever before. Strong school library programs help fight disinformation, increase student achievement, prepare students for college, career, and community, and help close the achievement gap for students experiencing poverty. Current Washington law has a loophole which allows individual school districts to take funds provided for Teacher-Librarians and use them for other things. **Help us close this gap and ensure that Washington's K-12 students have access to the strong school library programs they need.**



Washington State Book Award Winner

Jennifer Bradbury

Rock by Rock:

The Fantastical Garden of Nek Chand

Nov. 5, 3 p.m.

in-person at Burlington Public Library
and streaming online via Zoom



A Visit with Washington State Book Award Winner Jennifer Bradbury

For all ages! Celebrate Washington State Book Award Winner Jennifer Bradbury. Meet the author as she reads and speaks about her award-winning picture book, *Rock by Rock: The Fantastical Garden of Nek Chand*.

This event will be online and in person at the Burlington Public Library, Nov. 5, 3 p.m. Find the link for the [webinar here](#).

Look Who's Hiring

Central Washington University is seeking an [Access Services Student Supervisor](#), and a [CWU Libraries Technology Lending Technician](#)

Chastek Library at Gonzaga University School of Law is seeking a [Research and Instruction Librarian](#) and a [User Services Associate](#).

King County Library System is seeking to fill [multiple positions](#).

Kent School District is seeking a [Teacher Librarian / Technology Integration Specialist](#).

Mount Vernon City Library is seeking a [Library Associate](#).

NCW Libraries is seeking a [Finance Director](#); [Branch Librarian MLIS/MLS \(Republic\)](#); and [Bilingual Branch Librarian MLIS/MLS \(Brewster\)](#).

Network of the National Library of Medicine, Region 5 (University of Washington Libraries) is seeking an [Outreach and Access Coordinator](#)

Pacific Lutheran University is seeking a [Cataloging and Metadata Specialist](#).

Primary Source Seattle is seeking a [Full Time Administrative Assistant](#).

Seattle Central College is seeking a [Library Acquisitions Lead](#).

Seattle University is seeking a [Scholarly Communications Officer](#) and a [Business & Economics Librarian](#).

South Seattle College is seeking a [Dean of Instructional Support Services \(Library, Tutoring, and Teaching and Learning Center\)](#).

Sno-Isle Libraries is seeking a [Library Associate \(Granite Falls\)](#), a [Library Associate \(Everett\)](#), and a [Collection Development Librarian - Adult Services](#).

Tigard Public Library is seeking a [Bilingual \(English/Spanish\) Youth Services Librarian](#) and a [Library Volunteer Coordinator](#).

Walla Walla County Rural Library District is seeking a [Burbank Branch Supervisor](#).

Washington State Library is seeking a [Branch Librarian](#), a [Lead Cataloger](#), and a [Serials Cataloger](#).

Washington Talking Book & Braille Library is seeking a [Library & Archival Paraprofessional 2](#).

Yakima Valley Libraries is seeking a [Librarian II - Youth 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

ACRL-OR Conference Updates

Due to low registration numbers, the ACRL-OR board decided to cancel our in-person meeting scheduled for next week in Menucha.

However, we still want to offer everyone a chance to come together and share some of the amazing work that's being done across our state. In place of the in-person conference, we will be offering two free virtual meetings, an online lightning talk and poster session from 10-11 am on October 28 and a social and skill sharing session from 4-6 pm on November 18.

Register for the October 28 session by [clicking this link](#). More information to come about the November 18 social.

ChLA Conference Call for Papers

The 50th [Children's Literature Association](#) (ChLA) Conference, hosted by the University of Washington iSchool, will be held June 15-17, 2023 in Bellevue, WA.

ChLA is currently [accepting](#) main conference proposals **through Nov. 11**. Presenters can also submit on topics from various ChLA Committees, including:

- Diversity Committee - Climate In Crisis: Diverse Children's Literature and the Anthropocene (**deadline: Oct. 31**)
- Accessibility - Disability & Intersectionality Roundtable (**deadline: Nov. 11**)

[Visit here](#) for proposal guidelines and the application. If you have any questions, please contact ChLA at info@childlitassn.org or (630) 571-4520.

Present for RUSA

RUSA is seeking webinar and online course proposals for their Spring 2023 offerings. RUSA encourages librarians and subject experts to submit proposals that address innovative services and trends, emerging technologies, management and leadership, or staff-training in the following topic areas:

- Reference services
- User instruction
- Assessment of services
- Collection development
- Resource discovery and usability
- Resource sharing/ ILL
- Hot or trending topics

Although proposals are accepted year-round, webinars and online courses considered for presentation **between January 1, 2023 and August 31, 2023 should be submitted by November 18, 2022**.


Webinar presenters and online learning instructors are compensated for their work and will receive training and support for the Zoom Platform, the webinar technology platform used by the division, and Moodle, the online tool used for courses.

Please find [more information and submission forms here](#).

News & Notes

WLA's Leadership Is For Everyone (LIFE) Section is hosting their monthly informal coffee break on **Thursday November 3rd at 4 p.m.** We'll be chatting about "Seasonal Serendipity" – the unexpected positives that we've been grateful for, and building mindfulness into our working lives.

Log-in to the [WLA Meeting & Events Calendar](#) with your member profile to access meeting information.



Student Mock ELECTION

Student Mock Election Programming Resources Now Available

The [Student Mock Election](#) is a non-partisan event organized by the [WA Secretary of State](#) that teaches students about the elections process and becoming an informed voter. Students vote on real ballot measures and real candidates, just like they can when they turn 18.

Voting is free to all Washington State public, private, tribal, and homeschool students in grades K-12. No pre-registration is necessary.

Visit the Mock Election site to [order](#) free "I Voted" stickers, [download](#) the Mock Election Toolkit, and find a civics lesson in the new [Teaching Elections in Washington](#) curriculum book.

If you have any questions, please contact MoonSub Vendetta, Voter Outreach and Education Specialist, at moonsub.vendetta@sos.wa.gov.



8th Annual Washington State Zine Contest is Open!

The Washington State Zine Contest, open to all ages, is a Washington Center for the Book, The Seattle Public Library, and Timberland Regional Library partnership.

Visit the [Washington Center for the Book site](#) for contest entry forms, submission guidelines, and downloadable posters.

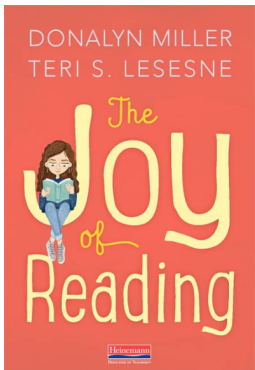
If you have questions or would like help promoting this contest in your community, email [Sara Peté](#).

Movers & Shakers 2023 Call for Nominations

The editors of Library Journal need your help in identifying emerging talents in the library world—both great leaders and behind-the-scenes contributors who are providing inspiration and model programs for others. Our 21st annual round of [Movers & Shakers](#) will profile up-and-coming individuals from around the world who are innovative, creative, and making a difference fighting against censorship, and helping improve their workplace. From librarians and non-degreed library workers to publishers, vendors, coders, entrepreneurs, reviewers, and others who impact the library field—[Movers & Shakers 2023](#) will celebrate those people who are moving all types of libraries ahead! Please let us know about anybody you think we should be aware of.

[Submissions](#) will close on November 14, 2022.

The Learning Curve



THE ROAD TO READING JOY
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The Road to Reading Joy

What if every student in your school loved to read? What if every classroom teacher allowed for choice reading and curated curriculum based upon diverse, contemporary, high-interest literature? What if Teacher-Librarians and

classroom teachers joined forces to build campus-wide reading joy and lifelong learners?

Join a cohort of like-minded educators determined to reimagine reading. This deep-dive into Donalyn Miller and Teri S. Lesesne's new book *The Joy of Reading* will help educators ignite students' reading joy.

Learn practical strategies for collaboration and implementation, including writing grants to bolster classroom libraries, helping students find right-fit books, and creating standards-based curriculum around independent reading.

Teacher-Librarians are encouraged to participate with a site team comprised of themselves and classroom teachers, but all are welcome!

Participants will spend five asynchronous hours reading the book and collaborating with their site team. Participants will spend six synchronous Zoom sessions connecting, brainstorming, and problem-solving with colleagues across the state, culminating in a live Q&A with author Donalyn Miller!

A total of 12 Clock Hours will be awarded for participation between November 2022 and May 2023. The Washington State Library will provide free copies of *The Joy of Reading* for participants, while supplies last. [Click here](#) for more information and the full schedule!

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.

LibGuide Link: <https://washstatelib.libguides.com/roadtoreadingjoy>

Informational Webinar Recording:

<https://my.nicheacademy.com/wslclockhoursacademy/course/51298>

Suicide Prevention for Veterans, Service Members, Families and Communities

Suicide is a national public health issue that impacts people from all walks of life, regardless of whether or not they have served in the military. However, the suicide rate among Veterans was 52% higher than non-Veteran adults in the U.S. in 2019, and Veteran suicides represent approximately 22% of all suicide deaths in the U.S. (2021 National Veteran Suicide Prevention Annual Report). Libraries are well positioned to provide information and referral services to connect Veterans and members of military communities with Veterans Health Administration programs and initiatives that address risks and protective factors for suicidal behaviors.

This WebJunction webinar features presenters from the Veterans Health Administration Office of Mental Health and Suicide Prevention, who will provide an introduction to military culture and share how libraries can help raise awareness of the resources available to Veterans, their families, and other members of military communities

Presenters: Lillie Mells, Education & Training Program Coordinator, Office of Mental Health Suicide Prevention, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and Shurhonda Love, Community Relations Specialist, Partnerships & Community Relations, Office of Mental Health Suicide Prevention, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

[Learn more and register here.](#)

Network of the National Library of Medicine (NNLM) Region 5 Library Carpentry Workshop: December 2022 Session

Region 5 is excited to announce that they will be hosting a Library Carpentry Workshop in December of 2022. This workshop will have 25 spots available, and will be held December 13 - 15, 12:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. PT.

Registration to apply will close Monday, November 21st, 6:00 p.m. PT. Notification of your registration approval and the Zoom link will be provided by Wednesday, November 23rd, 6:00 p.m. PT. Learn more and find links to [register here](#).

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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