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Save the Date: WLA 2023 RFP Launch

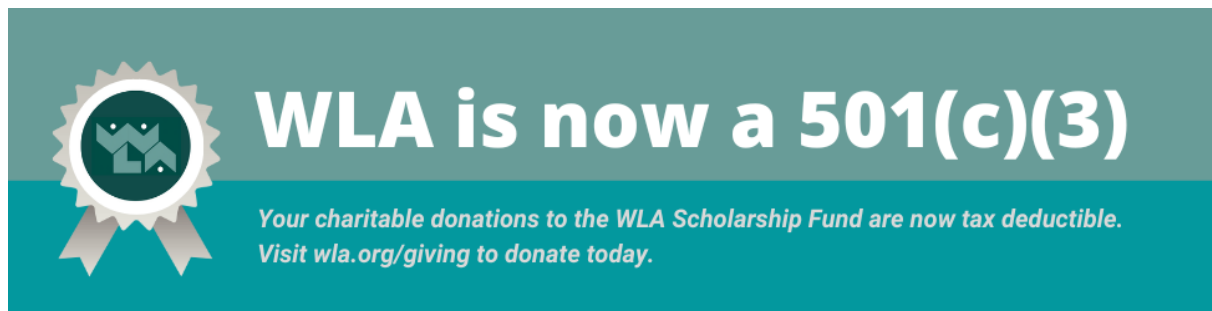
The [2023 Conference Committee](#) is hard at work planning #WLA2023, Thursday March 30-Saturday, April 1 at the Wenatchee Convention Center!

We're pleased to share the 2023 conference request for proposals (RFP) will

launch beginning **Wednesday, Sept. 21** on the [WLA Conference site](#). Application information will become available at that time.

As you consider submitting a proposal, we invite potential presenters to reflect on the 2023 conference theme: **All In, Reach Out**. Our experiences over the past few years have reinforced the importance of connection. We've adapted and learned new ways to connect with each other, to collaborate with community partners, and to meet the changing needs of our patrons and students. Join us at the confluence of the Columbia and Wenatchee Rivers this spring, where we will explore our methods of connection and share the resulting innovations. By reaching out and breaking down silos, we can be all in for our communities.

If you have any questions, please contact the [WLA Office!](#)



WLA is Seeking Grant Volunteers!

The Washington Library Association (WLA) has shifted from a 501(c)(4) to a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, and is now eligible to pursue grants as a public charity.

Do you have grant writing experience to volunteer? We'd love to hear from you! Please complete this quick [interest form](#), and we will reach out to you.



Attend an Open House for WLA 2023 Elections!

Are you seeking leadership experience? Looking to meet new people in the library field? Passionate about advocacy for libraries and library professionals?

Consider running for a Board, Division, or Section leadership position in 2023. You can learn more from current WLA leaders about getting involved by attending the upcoming virtual open house.

[Register here](#) to attend on **Wednesday, Sept. 7** from 12:30-1:30 p.m.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Visit <https://www.wla.org/elections> to find available positions, this year's election timeline, and the nomination form, which is also available below.

[2023 Nomination Form](#)

The nomination application will remain open through Friday, Sept. 16. If you have any questions, please contact info@wla.org.

Public Library Division: Historical & Special Collections Roundtable

WLA members are invited to this roundtable hosted by the Public Library Division on Sept. 6 from 9-10 a.m.!

Carlos Pelley from Yakima Valley Libraries will speak about the library's Northwest Reading Room. All are welcome to attend, whether your library currently has a historical or other kind of special collection, or you would like to learn more about them.

Registration is not required. Find the Zoom meeting information by logging into the WLA [Meeting and & Events calendar!](#)

Notice of Upcoming WLA Office Closure

The WLA Office will be closed **Monday, Sept. 5** in observance of Labor Day. Regular office hours will resume Tuesday, Sept. 6.

Look Who's Hiring

Big Bend Community College is seeking a [Library Consortium Services Manager](#).

Central Washington University seeks a [Library & Archives Paraprofessional 3](#).

Centralia College is seeking an [Instruction & Systems Librarian](#).

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

City of Grandview is seeking a [Library Director](#).

KCLS is seeking an [Automated Material Handling Service Specialist](#) and a [Circulation Automation Supervisor](#).

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

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

Neill Public Library is seeking a [Library Division Manager - Adult Services](#).

OCLC is seeking a [Program Manager - Web Junction](#).

Pacific Lutheran University is seeking a [Manager of Access and Building Services - Library](#).

Pierce County Library System is seeking an [Application Services Manager](#) and [Customer Experience Director - Public Operations](#).

Seattle University is seeking an [Electronic Services Manager \(Law Library\)](#) and a [Health Sciences Librarian](#).

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

South Puget Sound Community College is seeking an [Open Education Librarian](#).

UW Center for an Informed Public is seeking an [Education & Engagement Manager](#).

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

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.

ACRL-OR Accepting Fall Conference Proposals

On Oct. 27 and 28, ACRL-OR and WLA ALD/ACRL-WA will gather at the [Menucha Retreat and Conference Center](#) for the Joint Fall Conference. Registration is coming soon!

The conference committee is currently [seeking proposals](#) for lightning talks, posters, and skillshares! Skillshares — new this year! — are meant to be short, informal round-table sessions where you share your knowledge on a topic with your colleagues.

The deadline for submissions is **Sept. 5**. If you have any questions, please contact Tamara Ottum at tamara.ottum@slo.oregon.gov or (971) 375-3543.



Registration Open for 21st Annual NWILL Conference

The 21st Annual Northwest Interlibrary Loan and Resource Sharing Conference will once again be held virtually (nwill.org)

To minimize Zoom fatigue, the conference days are spread over two weeks:

- Thursday, Sept. 8
- Friday, Sept. 9 (workshop day)
- Wednesday, Sept. 14
- Friday, Sept. 16

The 2022 Keynote is Bobbi Newman, author of the forthcoming book *Fostering Wellness in the Workplace: A Guide for Libraries*.

[Register here!](#) If you have a Whova account, please register using the email address associated with it. Registration is \$18 standard, and free for BIPOC attendees and scholarship recipients.

To actively work towards dismantling systems of racism, NWILL offers the

option of free registration to anyone who identifies as Black, Indigenous, or a person of color (BIPOC). Register using the discount code: **bipoc2022**.

If an administrator or office manager plans to pay registration fees on behalf of an attendee, please contact David Moody (moody@chapman.edu) and Leanna Pagano (lpagano@callutheran.edu).

News & Notes

PLA Awards \$1.1M for Digital Literacy Workshops

The Public Library Association (PLA) has selected 160 public libraries to host digital literacy workshops across the country. The PLA [Digital Literacy Workshop Incentive](#) is supported by AT&T and is designed to support public libraries in their efforts to boost digital skills for all members of their communities.

Of the [160 libraries](#), two libraries in Washington State were selected to receive funding: [Tacoma Public Library](#) and [Upper Skagit Library](#). Each library will use [DigitalLearn training materials](#) to deliver in-person or virtual workshops, building critical skills in community members and narrowing the digital divide.

For more information, contact the PLA Office at 1 (800) 545-2433, ext. 5PLA, or pla@ala.org.

ALA Nominating Committee Seeking Candidates

Are you interested in serving the American Library Association on Council or as ALA President? The ALA Nominating Committee is seeking candidates to self-nominate for the 2023 ALA elections!

If you've considered running for ALA President or one of the 33 open ALA Councilor-at-large positions, please reach out anyone on the [ALA Nominating Committee](#).

Interested candidates will need to complete their bio form by Sept 30: <https://officers.directnominations.net/>

A webinar recording is available of current and past ALA leaders speaking about their experiences serving ALA in these roles. The links to the recording, slides, and transcript are available at <https://www.ala.org/aboutala/governance/alaelection>.



2022 Washington State Book Award Finalists Announced

The Washington Center for the Book (an affiliate of the Library of Congress Center for the Book administered by Washington State Library) and The Seattle Public Library have selected 39 finalists in eight categories for the 2022 Washington State Book Awards (WSBA) for outstanding books published by Washington authors in 2021. This is the 56th year of the program, formerly called the Governor's Writers Awards.

[View](#) the complete list of finalists. A winner in each category will be announced on Sept. 13.

Submissions for the 2023 awards cycle are being accepted at this time. For more information, see the Washington Center for the Book's [website](#).

The Learning Curve

First Tuesdays
A conversation and continuing-education opportunity

**Sept. 13
9 am**

**Affordable Connectivity
Program**

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WSL First Tuesdays: "Help Patrons Get Online at Home with the Affordable Connectivity Program"

Join Washington State Library (WSL) for next month's "First Tuesdays" program on Sept. 13 at 9 a.m. This webinar will provide an overview of the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP), which provides home internet service discounts and up to \$100 for a device.

As an attendee, you will receive tips about how your library can get the word out and help households sign up. [Register in advance!](#)

If you have any questions, please contact WSL Training Coordinator Tami Masenhimer at tami.masenhimer@sos.wa.gov.

This program is funded in part by the Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS) through the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

WebJunction: "Community-Led Planning for Equitable, Responsive Services"

Dr. Audrey Barbakoff will present this webinar on applying community-led planning strategies to create highly relevant, inclusive services on Sept. 15 from 12-1 p.m. [Register in advance.](#)

Community-led planning is a strategy that invites community participation in service design and implementation by sharing power. From this presentation, attendees will learn what it means to be authentically community-led and how to apply evidence-based strategies to build their capacity for community-led planning.

Webinar attachments will be posted to the [event page](#), where related resources are now available.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email and a reminder email the day prior to the event. A webinar recording will be available after the presentation.



**SCHOOL LIBRARY
IN-SERVICE TRAINING DAY**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14TH, 2022: 8:30 A.M.-3:15 P.M. PT

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Register for WSL's School Library In-Service Training Day

The Washington State Library (WSL) is proud to present its first ever School Library In-Service Training Day, presented virtually on Friday, Oct. 14 from 8:30 a.m.-3:15 p.m.

With a keynote by [Jennifer LaGarde](#), sessions presented by [Meghan Ashburn](#), [Cicely Lewis](#), [Shannon McClintock Miller](#), and [Julia E. Torres](#), and panels featuring Washington school library colleagues Elizabeth Roberts, TuesD Chambers, and Gavin Downing, there will be something for everyone!

This professional development opportunity is free, Clock Hours eligible, virtual, and recorded. The live event will take place on Zoom on the statewide teacher in-service day, and the recordings will be available afterwards for anyone who is unable to attend live.

[Registration is now open](#), and you can view the master schedule and further instructions on [WSL's Niche Academy page](#). Full program descriptions with learning objectives will be available soon to those who register. All questions can be directed to WSLTraining@sos.wa.gov.

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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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