



ALA 2016 Midwinter Meeting News You Can Use Sessions

ACRL/SPARC Forum

Saturday, January 09, 2016
3:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Dialogue around Open Educational Resources (OER) has been on the rise over the last few years and increasingly so from within the academic library community. Academic libraries are a natural fit to be leading in this space on campus, and this forum will directly address ways in which you and your library can enhance and encourage the development and usage of OERs on your campus. This forum will aim to address many questions including the financial implications of and cost models for OER, how libraries can be the creators of OER and how OERs are being perceived by faculty and students.

Aspen Dialogue Report: Learn about the Action Guide for Use in Your Community

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Learn about the new Action Guide for Re-Envisioning Your Public Library, a toolkit of resources for library leaders to use in their communities. Amy Garmer, Project Director at the Aspen Institute, and 2012-2013 ALA President Maureen Sullivan will provide an update on the project work and introduce the Action Guide. They will offer guidance and tips for the effective use of the Dialogue Report and Action Guide.

Curiosity Creates: Research and Best Practices in Creativity Programming for Children

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Join us to engage in a conversation about how libraries encourage children to explore and create through intentional programming and thoughtful use of resources. Erica Fortescue, Associate Director of the Center for Childhood Creativity, will present the latest research on creative thinking and recipients of the Curiosity Creates grant will share updates and lessons-learned from their libraries. Librarians who are currently implementing creativity programming in a variety of formats will describe how they got started, the outcome trends they have noticed and the tips they would pass along to others seeking to replicate their programs.

Data Visualization for the Rest of Us: A Beginner's Guide

Saturday, January 09, 2016
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You don't have to be a graphic designer to present your library statistics in a way that effectively communicates value. In this session, straight from the 2015 Research Institute for Public Libraries (RIPL, <http://ripl.lrs.org/>), you'll learn quick and easy tips for displaying your statistics so that they tell a powerful story about your library, whether your data visualization aspirations consist of adding a few Excel charts to a report or designing a complex infographic for your website.



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Foundations of Young Adult Success: A Developmental Framework

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In an education landscape dominated by standards and testing, it's important to remember that strong academic skills alone aren't enough to lead a child to a productive adulthood. What other qualities matter and how can adults nurture them? This session presents a new framework by the University of Chicago Consortium on Chicago School Research. It integrates decades of theory and research, and describes what children need to grow and learn, how adults can foster their development, and the obstacles children in poverty and children of color face in achieving their potential. Implications for library services and programs will be discussed.

How you can use WIOA (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act) to enhance your job preparedness and job readiness services

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With the passage of the Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA), libraries have the unique opportunity to partner with adult education and local Workforce Investment Boards (WIBs) to enhance services to community members in need of job readiness and career pathway opportunities. This legislation creates a chance for libraries to be "at the table" in offering services, providing resources, and being partners in the advancement of long term financial solutions for our citizenry.

Knight News Challenge on Libraries

Sunday, January 10, 2016
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In March, the Knight Foundation will launch its second Knight News Challenge on Libraries, offering innovative projects a share of \$3 million. Join the Knight Foundation to learn more about the Challenge's 2016 focus, get tips on applying, and hear from past winners about how they are working to advance the future of libraries.

Library Language access for Limited English Proficient patrons

Sunday, January 10, 2016
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How can public libraries provide meaningful access to the over 25 million people in the U.S. who are Limited English Proficient (LEP)? Hear an update of language access laws, policies and recommendations at the city, state and federal level. This event will introduce key elements of language access plans that have transformed service delivery in hospitals, government and libraries! Explore how we can leverage staff strengths, technology and data analysis to engage immigrant patrons in all library services. Be a language access leader and realize public libraries mission of access for all.



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Mathical Books! For Librarians – and Tots to Teens

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What's a Mathical book? The Mathematical Sciences Research Institute (MSRI) of Berkeley, California teamed up with the Children's Book Council (CBC) to create a prize aimed at inspiring a love of math – pattern, sequence, creative order – in everyday life. Winners in the inaugural year, 2015, ranged from a steamy mystery novel whose heroine uses logic to solve puzzles, to a keenly illustrated book interpreting really big numbers, to charming picture books on counting and sharing. Parents and librarians who want to introduce kids to the joy of math around them will find this list a very useful resource.

New Developments at the Digital Public Library of America

Sunday, January 10, 2016
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As the Digital Public Library of America approaches its third anniversary, important new developments are expanding its mission, its network of libraries, and its partnerships. DPLA's Executive Director Dan Cohen and DPLA staff will provide an overview of these new developments, including work on international rights statements for cultural heritage items, new digital infrastructure for libraries, broader access to ebooks, and additional DPLA hubs across the United States. There will also be time for Q&A and personal interactions with the staff and other members of the DPLA community who are attending ALA Midwinter.

New Visions for Academic Library Spaces

Monday, January 11, 2016
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This session will explore new visions for academic library spaces, using Perry Dean Rogers | Partners Architects' work with the UMass Lowell Libraries as a starting point for thinking of the connection between faculty, users, and collections.

News You Can Use - Riding the NxtWave of School Library Research (AASL ESLS)

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Learn about the latest research-in-progress in the school library field, from PhD students in the NxtWave: Leaders for 21st Century School Libraries program. The studies that will be presented are School Librarians and Censorship: Examining Factors Influencing Selection Decisions by April Dawkins, University of South Carolina, and Radical Changes in the Roles of School Librarians by Lois Wine, Old Dominion University. In addition, this session will include updates about AASL's research initiatives, CLASS and the Community of Scholars.



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News You Can Use: Celebrating June is GLBT Book Month @ Your Library...and in Your Community

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January is the right time to begin planning your library's events for June is GLBT Book Month. Join GLBTRT officers Peter Coyle, Ann Symons, Deb Sica, and others to learn about this new ALA initiative. Join GLBT book month brainstorming/planning/idea gathering session. "Help shape the future" of this new initiative.

News You Can Use: Diversity Research Update

Saturday, January 09, 2016
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This session will feature updates from recent ALA sponsored research focused on issues of equity, diversity and outreach. Additionally, the 2015 Achievement in Library Diversity Research honoree will be announced.

OCLC Research Update

Monday, January 11, 2016
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Come and hear descriptions of selected OCLC Research projects. OCLC Research is one of the world's leading research centers devoted exclusively to the challenges facing libraries and archives. A question and answer session will follow the presentations.

OIF/FTRF Update

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Office for Intellectual Freedom and Freedom to Read Foundation updates

The "New" Youth Librarianship: Y(outh) eX(perience)

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Both the "Re-envisioning the MLS" and the "IMLS Focus Learning in Libraries" reports indicated the need for libraries to consider the learning sciences when developing youth services. Using this context, we will demonstrate how design thinking and participatory design are the "new" competencies in youth librarianship. We will also discuss the development of the, Y(outh) eX(perience) specialization at the University of Maryland's College of Information Studies that will prepare librarians who deeply understand the dynamic contexts of youth and youth services and equip them to meet the needs of 21st century teens.



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The 365 Captivating Days of Summer Reading: A Pilot Program Report

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Summer reading is the Super Bowl for most children's library programs. But once it ends and excitement fades, how do you keep kids captivated? How do you motivate them to read for fun at the library when competing with homework, after-school programs, sports, over-extended families, tech devices, and day-to-day stress? Lindsey Hill, two-time teacher of the year and Evanced reading engagement expert, reports on a pilot program designed to leverage summer learning success the other 10 months of the year. Learn what worked, what didn't, and the most common mistakes libraries make with children when summer ends.

The Aspen Institute's Rising to the Challenge: Re-Envisioning Public Libraries

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This session will provide an update on The Aspen Institute's Dialogue on Public Libraries and Rising to the Challenge: Re-Envisioning Public Libraries resources.

Top Technology Trends

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LITA's premier program on changes and advances in technology. Top Technology Trends features our ongoing roundtable discussion about trends and advances in library technology by a panel of LITA technology experts and thought leaders. The panelists will describe changes and advances in technology that they see having an impact on the library world, and suggest what libraries might do to take advantage of these trends. More information about the program is available at the Top Tech Trends site.

Update on DigitalLearn.org: New Features and Modules

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Learn the latest about DigitalLearn.org and its exciting updates for 2016. DigitalLearn.org is PLA's resource for libraries and others to provide patrons with access to training modules on basic computer skills. It is also an online hub for digital literacy trainers to share and learn from each other. In 2016, DigitalLearn.org will add modules, translate content to Spanish, improve opportunities for trainers to share, and roll out customized registration and learning plan options for users. Come hear how your library can use DigitalLearn.org.



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Update on the ACRL Academic Library Trends and Statistics Survey

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Update on Value of Academic Libraries Initiative

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Learn about the latest with ACRL's VAL initiative, including a special focus on results of the first year of ACRL's IMLS-funded project "Assessment in Action: Academic Libraries and Student Success." Hear highlights from an analysis and synthesis of more than 70 library assessment projects that examine the impact of the academic library on students. Learn more about the AiA program, how to apply for the third year, and consider how a collaborative approach, with a campus team led by a librarian, could yield more powerful results for you.

WO BO III - OITP - Should There Be a Right to Be Forgotten?

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In the European Union, a user has the right to have links to certain personal information removed from the results of web searches involving his or her name. This "right to be forgotten" in Europe has stimulated robust debates about the appropriateness of such a regime in other countries. Come to this session to learn about the pros and cons and ask questions about possible adoption in the U.S.

WO Breakout Session I - Encryption Inhibition? Enabling Library Patron Privacy in the Age of Surveillance

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Librarians' longstanding commitment to protecting patron privacy has taken on added urgency in an era of high tech government surveillance and criminal data breaches. Technology has both afforded unprecedented access to patron information and empowered individuals and libraries to encrypt it. Join a panel of experts to discuss this new "arms race," how it's playing out in Washington, DC and how local libraries can use, and are using, encryption in the age of surveillance.



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WO Breakout Session II - How do you do YouTube?

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The internet's favorite repository for cat videos has undergone an unexpected transformation in the last 10 years. Okay, it's still a repository for cat videos, but more than that, it's a place of curiosity and community. With this introductory session, we will be hosting a series of panels and workshops to explore how libraries can get started on YouTube. You'll learn about the concept of Curiosity Correspondents, gaining internal support for a YouTube project, and how to make the most of your channel (including community outreach, education, and federal advocacy).

WO Update Session

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Washington Office Update Session