GIIG Presents

Maps are Stories, Too: Getting to Know Geographic Information Systems

Friday, May 15 2015, 8:30am – 12:00pm*
Brody Learning Commons, Room 5017, Johns Hopkins University*
MLA Members: $30. Non-members: $45. Students: $25.50

Geographic Information Systems (GIS) were from the beginning an integral part of the Internet revolution, and have a crucial impact on our lives. Once an arcane specialty, GIS and the maps it provides are now part of our daily lives from winter storms to Charlie Hebdo. They hold the promise of allowing librarians to create custom maps to meet the special needs of library users. Following a strong first effort in 2014, GIIG and the Sheridan Libraries will once again offer hands-on training in this exciting resource. Ms Bonnie Wittstadt, GIS Librarian at Johns Hopkins University will provide instruction in GIS, map creation and storytelling, and lead discussion of potential applications in libraries. Registrants will be contacted about parking arrangements. There is a coffee shop in the Brody Commons; participants are encouraged to purchase lunch and discuss the potential of GIS for their own library users. Registration opens at 8:30 and the program begins promptly at 9:00.

This program has been approved for 2.5 contact hours of continuing education.
Registration deadline: May 8th.
Refunds cannot be issued after May 1st.

To register: [http://www.mdlib.org/calendar_day.asp?date=5/15/2015&event=56](http://www.mdlib.org/calendar_day.asp?date=5/15/2015&event=56)

CSD Presents

You Have a Great Idea! Now Get it Published

Thursday, May 21 2015, 2:00pm – 3:00pm* Rescheduled
Online via Blackboard*

Do you want to write a book or article but don’t know where to start? In this 1-hour webinar, three published authors of resource books and articles for children’s librarians will share the ins and outs of getting published in journals such as School Library Journal and with publishers such as ALA Editions and Libraries Unlimited. Learn about the publishing opportunities that are out there for you, what you’ll need to include in your proposal, and how to get from idea to proposal. Join us and jumpstart your publishing career.
This program has been approved for 1 contact hour of continuing education.
Registration deadline: May 14th.
Refunds cannot be issued after May 7th.

*for link to program: rwright@ccplnet.org
To register: http://www.mdlib.org/calendar_day.asp?date=5/21/2015&event=48

**DIVISION, INTEREST GROUP, PANEL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

**May**

4 MLA Conference Orientation Webinar. See article below.

4,5 National Library Legislation Day, Liaison Hotel, Capitol Hill-Washington DC. Contact Glennor Shirley at glennorloy@gmail.com.

6-8 MLA Conference, Ocean City, MD.

14 Membership/Marketing Meeting, 1:00pm-2:00pm. Online via Blackboard Collaborate. Contact Joanna Gadsby at gadsby@umbc.edu.

20 Executive Board Meeting, 10:00am-Noon. MLA Office. Contact John Venditta at john@esrl.org or 410 742-1537.

20 MLLI Planning Committee Meeting, Noon-1:30pm. MLA office. Contact Robert Maranto at rmaranto@bcpl.net or 410 887-1451.

21 You Have a Great Idea, Now Get it Published, online via Blackboard Collaborate, see article above.

25 Memorial Day. MLA office closed.

28 Technology Committee Meeting, 10:30am-12:00pm. MLA office. Contact Stuart Ragland at sragland@soc.lib.md.us.

**June**

4 SSD Meeting, 1:30pm. Loyola Notre Dame Library. Contact Lou Sica at lsica@bcpl.net.

5 IFAP Meeting, 1:30pm. AACPL-Broadneck Branch. Contact Monica McAbee at monica.mcabee@pgcmls.info

8 CSD Meeting, 10:00am-12:30pm. Cecil County-Perryville Branch. Contact Rachel Wright at rwright@ccplnet.org

11 PSD Meeting, 9:30am-Noon. BCPL-Lansdowne Branch. Contact Jesse Roth at jroth@aacpl.net

17 Steering Committee Meeting, 9:00am-Noon. MLA Office. Contact John Venditta at john@esrl.org or 410 742-1537.

17 2015 & 2016 Conference Committee Meeting, 1:00pm-4:30pm. MLA office. Contact Andrea Berstler at aberstler@wicomico.org or 410 749-3612 x 113

18 RAIG Meeting, 1:00pm-2:00pm. Online via Blackboard Collaboration. Contact Carmen Sambuco at Bookunfinished@gmail.com

26-30 ALA-San Francisco

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**CANCELLATION POLICY FOR PROGRAMS AND MEETINGS**

Educational programs and Division/Interest Group meetings will be cancelled or postponed in the event that schools are closed due to weather in the county/city where the event is scheduled to be held. A notice will be recorded on the office phone of the cancellation/postponement. In the event that a decision is made to proceed with the program/meeting, the individual responsible for the program/meeting should notify the office of that decision and notify participants individually, if practical. The individual responsible for the program/meeting must contact the office to have the notice recorded. For this purpose only, the cell phone number for the Executive Director will be made available to you. Rescheduling information should be supplied to the office as soon as possible to be posted on the phone and the web site. It is the responsibility of the sponsoring unit to notify the MLA office.

**MLA-DLA 5th Annual Conference:**

**Boldly Go... Where No Library Has Gone Before**
May 6-8, 2015
Clarion Hotel, Ocean City, MD

It won’t be long before Conference time! New this month: be sure to stop by the Silent Auction area and check out the original oil painting by Bob Horvath, Director of Talbot County Libraries. We are happy to announce that all 24 counties in the state of Maryland have donated items to the auction. If you aren’t attending a pre-conference, plan to come down on Wednesday afternoon and hear our keynote speaker, Dr. Jack Kaye’s, talk titled “Viewing the Earth’s Global Environment from Space: From Scientific Knowledge to Societal Benefits.” This is immediately followed by the all-conference reception. Later in the evening, come dressed as your favorite science fiction character to the Dance Party. Where will you have breakfast on Thursday morning? Come to the vendor opening ceremony at 8am and enjoy a continental breakfast with them. Did you attend the 2010 MLA conference and enjoy Sue Ellen Thompson’s talk as the MD Author Award winner? She’s back—in the vendor area with the Eastern Shore Writer’s Association and will give a 30 minute presentation on the power of poetry in the vendor arena at 9:30am. Didn’t register for a meal, but still want to hear a speaker? No problem! We set up chairs in the back of the room just for you; join us for the presentations. Wondering about Friday morning’s breakfast? Join us for the annual MLA board meeting where breakfast and conversation will be served. One topic of discussion: MLA dues for 2016. The vendors have their own coffee on Friday, so please plan to attend the annual board meeting. Delaware is also hosting a breakfast meeting at 8am. Are you concerned about picking up a silent auction item at the end of the conference and having to wait in line FOREVER to pay for it? We will close the auction at 10:40 and we promise this year that we will have the paperwork ready for you by 11:15am. You can pay, pick up your item and have it stored in your car before lunch!

Did the idea of networking with a handful of librarians just come to mind? Do you want to toss around some tips and tricks and see what others might know, too? Take a look at the Networking Uncommons link and schedule in a 30 minute block of time: [http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca4af2ba1f58-networking](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca4af2ba1f58-networking)

Do you have some free time in your schedule? Would you like the chance to volunteer at the registration table, the book selling table or the silent auction area? Click on this link and sign up for a shift or two: [http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca4af2ba1f58-mladla1](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ca4af2ba1f58-mladla1)

To register for the conference, click here: [http://www.mdlib.org/calendar_day.asp?date=5/6/2015&event=44](http://www.mdlib.org/calendar_day.asp?date=5/6/2015&event=44)

**MLA/DLA Conference Orientation**

Are you a first time attendee to the conference? Wondering what MLA and DLA can do for you? Trying to figure out which sessions to attend? Wondering if you’ll be able to make it to the beach and back in-between sessions? All these questions and more can be answered at the conference orientation webinar on Monday May 4th from 2:00pm to 3:00pm. An orientation session will also be held Thursday morning (8-9am) at the conference, to allow new attendees to meet active MLA/DLA members and answer any new questions.

RSVP to attend the May 4th webinar: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1BkDkKgjkyOc87f4jCTSoxtnJyVMltM0am0md6eT2d1uU/viewform?c=0&w=1](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1BkDkKgjkyOc87f4jCTSoxtnJyVMltM0am0md6eT2d1uU/viewform?c=0&w=1)
Please register me for the following:
Members in good standing with any of these organizations are eligible to attend MLA programs at the member fee. REFORMA DC, WMPL, CML, CVLA, MASL, MAILL, MD/SLA, DCLA, LLAM, CMCLLD, CALD and DC/SLA

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