PUBLIC SERVICES DIVISION PRESENTS

EMERGING ADULTS UNCONFERENCE

Thursday September 14, 2023 1:00pm-4:00pm
Baltimore County Public Library-Sollars Point Branch
Members: $25.00  Non-members: $37.50
Student|Retired|Unemployed|Friend: $12.50

Emerging Adults are coming to or are already at a library near you! These are the patrons that are typically between the ages of 18-30. Do you have ideas for services or programs that would fit their needs? Come discuss programming and services for emerging adults in a flexible, conversational format with staff from around the state. This program has been approved for 3 contact hours of continuing education.

Registration deadline is September 7th
Register here: https://www.mdlib.org/ev_calendar_day.asp?date=9%2F14%2F23&eventid=177
Love talking about books? Join us for BEST 2023—The Fall Edition, a celebration of Picture Books. Learn about the Black-Eyed Susan Award and participate, via Zoom, in a half day of small group discussions of some of the 2023-2024 Picture Book nominees. Tracey Baptiste, author of Looking for a Jumbie, will be our keynote speaker. Program check-in begins at 9:25am, and the program will start at 9:30am. There will be two discussion groups, meeting twice, so you can attend both sessions. Please read all the titles for each group.

Group 1 Picture Books
Beautifully Me, by Nabela Noor; Everywhere with You, by Carlie Sorosiak; Looking for a Jumbie, by Tracey Baptiste; Lunch From Home, by Joshua David Stein; My First Day, by Phung Nguyen Quang and Huynh Kim Lien.

Group 2 J Nonfiction
All the Way to the Top: How One Girl’s Fight for Americans with Disabilities Changed Everything, by Annette Bay Pimentel; Listen: How Evelyn Glennie, A Deaf Girl, Changed Percussion, by Shannon Stocker; Nachos’ Nachos: The Story Behind the World’s Favorite Snack, by Sandra Nickel; The Floating Field: How a Group of Thai Boys Built Their Own Soccer Field, by Scott Riley; The Pig War: How a Porcine Tragedy Taught England and America to Share, by Emma Bland Smith

This program has been approved for 4 contact hours of continuing education.

Registration deadline is September 7th
Register here: CSD Black-Eyed Susan Tapestry 2023 - The FALL Edition (mdlib.org)
Zoom link will be sent out on September 19th.
DIVISION, INTEREST GROUP, PANEL, CAUCUS, AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

July
4 - Independence Day. MLA Office closed.
7 - Reader's Advisory Interest Group Meeting, 1:00pm-3:00pm. Online via Calvert Zoom. Contact Meg Faller at meg.faller@calvertlibrary.info
10 - Children's Service Division Meeting, 10:00am-12:30pm. On line via Blackboard. Contact Summer Rosswog at srosswog@cecilcountylibrary.org
13 - Leadership Development Division Meeting, 1:30pm-3:00pm. On line via Zoom. Contact Rachel Miller at rmiller@bcpl.net
17 - MD Libraries Public Library Branch Managers' Summit, by invitation only.
19 - Conference Committee Meeting, 10:00am-12:00pm, Online via Zoom. Contact Anita Crawford at acrawford@bcpl.net.
19 - Executive Committee Meeting, 1:00pm-3:00pm, Online via Zoom. Contact Josh Stone at: mlaexec@mdlib.org.

August
3 - Support Staff Division Meeting, 1:30pm-3:00pm. AACPL-Busch Branch, (Hybrid option). Contact Gabriél Jones at: Gabriel.jones@pgcmls.info
14 - Children's Service Division Meeting, 10:00am-12:30pm. On line via Blackboard. Contact Summer Rosswog at srosswog@cecilcountylibrary.org
16 - Conference Committee Meeting, 10:00am-12:00pm, Online via Zoom. Contact Anita Crawford at acrawford@bcpl.net.
16 - Steering Committee Meeting, 1:00pm-3:00pm, Online via Zoom. Contact Josh Stone at: mlaexec@mdlib.org.
The Conference Committee debriefing recently took place and this year’s committee looked at the evaluations and comments submitted. Thank you for proposing some wonderful ideas and suggestions for next year. The comment frequently stated: there were too many programs to select from! We are going to re-visit the problem with speakers who announced, “You all can hear me, without the mic, right?”, even though they all signed a speaker agreement form stating that they would use the mic provided for their presentation. The social committee did a fantastic job again this year and received high praises for the events that they set up. The crowd favorite again this year was Paws for Pets; we just need to make sure that there is a good break between sessions so that everyone gets a chance to play with the puppies. Thank you to those who participated in the Silent Auction; MLA netted over three thousand dollars towards the MLA Grants Award Fund.

Do you want to be a part of next year’s conference planning? Anita Crawford will be starting the planning for next year’s conference soon—shoot her an email and ask to be on her team! acrawford@bcpl.net

The October 1971 issue of the Crab contained the following article: Can You Spare a Quarter? The Monterey City Public Library (CA), has installed what is perhaps the first, self-service, coin-operated digital computer for public use. Installed by Computer Rental Service of Monterey, the computer is a Hewlett-Packard 9100 system with a complete keyboard and read-only memory. Output is displayed on a cathode ray tube (CRT); mathematical and scientific problems can be solved with the aid of a programmable memory that holds all that stuff that’s on slide rules. A quarter buys two- and one-half minutes of computing time.
MLA CENTENNIAL CARNIVAL: FRIDAY NOVEMBER 3RD

We are in the midst of planning our big MLA Centennial Carnival. The planning team is inviting library systems and organizations to design and host a carnival game or activity showing off their awesome creativity, and to showcase all your library is doing using library swag as prizes! You will get two free registrations to the carnival for your booth, and prizes will be awarded for the best booth. Use this form to register your booth and the planning committee will reach out to you to confirm your idea and process your registration. Early bird rate is $75-by 7/23; regular rate is $100.-deadline is 9/29.

MLA EDUCATIONAL GRANTS AWARD

If you have been a member of MLA for 6 months or longer, you are invited to apply for a grant to cover the cost of many educational opportunities in the library community. The next deadline for applying is July 15th; click here for more information and to apply: MLA Educational Grants Award.
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