Support Staff Division Presents

Getting to Know and Serving English Language Learners

Tuesday November 5th 1:00pm-4:30pm
Anne Arundel County Public Library-Linthicum Branch*
Members: $25.00 Non-members: $37.50 Students: $12.50

Want to learn more about the customers you serve, specifically English Language Learners? How about a few phrases in Spanish? Join SSD as we help you to connect even better with these customers with Vilma Sandoval-Sall, English Language Learner Program Coordinator of Prince George’s County Memorial Library System. Vilma and her team will cover these topics along with resources you can utilize to break the language barrier. Light refreshments will be served. Registration begins at 12:45pm; the program begins promptly at 1:00pm. Participants are encouraged to bring their own laptops/devices to participate in activities at the program. Laptops will be available for groups to share. Program registration is limited to 30 attendees.

This program has been approved for 3 contact hours of continuing education
Registration and refund deadline is: November 29th.

*For directions: https://www.aacpl.net/location/linthicum
To register online: https://www.mdlib.org/ev_calendar_day.asp?date=11%2F5%2F19&eventid=79

Public Services Division and
MD Adult Programming Interest Group Present

Thrifty Crafting for Adults

Thursday January 30th 12:30pm-4:30pm
Baltimore County Public Library-Arbutus Branch*
Members: $25.00 Non-members: $37.50 Students: $12.50
Learn how to engage adults (and teens) through making useful and decorative crafts. Staff from Montgomery County and Baltimore County will share the lessons they have learned in implementing low cost craft programs at their libraries. Participants will learn how to assess audience need, best practices, planning and set-up, how to reuse what you already have, and how to get donations. At the end of the program, participants will leave with their own craft project as well as an action plan that they can implement at their own libraries. Registration will open at 12:30pm. Bring a lunch and enjoy networking before the program, which begins promptly at 1:00pm.

This program has been approved for 3 contact hours of continuing education
Registration and refund deadline is: January 23rd

*For directions: [https://www.bcpl.info/locations/arbutus/index.html](https://www.bcpl.info/locations/arbutus/index.html)
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**Intellectual Freedom Panel Presents:**

**Defend Intellectual Freedom: A Challenge Response Toolkit for Libraries**

Thursday March 19th 12:30pm-4:15pm
Frederick County Public Library-Urbana Branch*
Members: $25.00 Non-members: $37.50 Students: $12.50

Having good policies, procedures and conflict resolution skills will help you defend intellectual freedom in your library. This program will examine the essential components of key policies and will teach you effective strategies for responding to in-person complaints about library collections, programs, or displays.

**Pre-class assignment:** fill out a request for reconsideration form at: [http://www.ala.org/tools/challengesupport/selectionpolicytoolkit/sampleforms](http://www.ala.org/tools/challengesupport/selectionpolicytoolkit/sampleforms) Please use an example of your own choice, write a response from the point of view of a librarian or administrator, then bring your work with you to the training.

Bring a lunch and enjoy networking before the program.

This program has been approved for 3 contact hours of continuing education
Registration and refund deadline is: March 12th

*For directions: [https://www.fcpl.org/branches-hours/urbana-regional-library](https://www.fcpl.org/branches-hours/urbana-regional-library)
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**Library Leadership Division Presents**

**Leading with Anxiety**

Wednesday March 25th 12:15pm-4:15pm
Carroll County Public Library-Eldersburg*
Members: $25.00 Non-members: $37.50 Students: $12.50

We’ve all heard the myth that anxiety is a hindrance to a leader’s ability to be effective. Join us to learn the truth behind the myth and to discover how anxiety affects leadership, the difference between stress and anxiety, and methods to help cope with anxiety during stressful situations.

Be the leader you were meant to be.
Registration begins at 12:15pm; you may bring a lunch and network during registration.
The program begins at 12:45pm.

This program has been approved for 3 contact hours of continuing education
Registration and refund deadline is: March 18th

*For directions: [https://library.carr.org/about/eldersburg.asp](https://library.carr.org/about/eldersburg.asp)
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**DIVISION, INTEREST GROUP, PANEL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

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**Save the Date: March 5, 2020-CSD: Kids are Customers, Too!**

**Cancellation Policy for Programs and Meetings**

Educational programs and Division/Interest Group meetings will be cancelled/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 of 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 web site. It is the responsibility of the sponsoring unit to notify the MLA office.
MLA/DLA Conference – May 6-8, 2020
Into the Roaring 20s

Can you believe that there are 16 pre-conferences set up for this year? The committee has filled all the hotel space at the conference with 80 fantastic programs. The Wednesday evening speaker has been confirmed: Michael Twitty! He is an African-American/Jewish writer, culinary historian, and educator. He is the author of *The Cooking Gene*, published by HarperCollins/Amistad, which won the 2018 James Beard Foundation Book Award for Book of the Year as well as the category for writing. He writes a food blog titled Afroculinaria which highlights and addresses food’s critical role in the development and definition of African American civilization and the politics of consumption and cultural ownership that surround it. The social committee is mulling over several ideas for your free time in the evenings. Did you like the opportunity to easily float from the Pub Quiz to Karaoke? Did you think the other group was too loud and you were glad to see they were a floor apart last year? We are trying to decide which style works best for us.

We are going to stress each month that YOU DON’T HAVE TO PURCHASE A MEAL TO HEAR THE SPEAKER! Once lunch or dinner is served, you are welcome to sit in chairs that will be set up for you.

Join us as we plan the rest of the conference; contact Nay Keppler at nkeppler@bcpl.net, the 2020 Conference Chair. If you can’t break away from your office, the meetings are all set up in Google Hangouts.

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Fall 2019 State Library Resource Center Conference
Wednesday November 6th. 9:00am-4:00pm

Our keynote speaker is Nathan Drenkow, Senior Research Scientist and Project Manager at The Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory. Mr Drenkow will provide a keynote overview of Artificial Intelligence technology, followed by a breakout session focusing on machine vision and the uses for that technology. Other sessions include Visual Merchandising, Library Services for the Homeless, SAILOR Databases: What’s New?, USCIS Citizenship Corner, Introduction to SLRC Services, and a review of BCPL / EPFL’s Entrepreneur Academy. Please visit http://www.slrc.info/conference/ to review the full program and to register. Attendees are invited to join us for tours of the newly-renovated State Library Resource Center, as well as for a tour of the State Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. Lunch will be provided, and attendees will earn 6 continuing education hours for attending this full-day event. For more information contact John Jewitt at jjewitt@prattlibrary.org

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The State Library Resource Center
has several one hour webinars.

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Each training is worth one contact hour. To find out more and to sign up, simply click on any of the class links. When registering, be sure to include your email address so that we can send you log in instructions before each scheduled session. Please share this information with anyone who might be interested.
ALA Scholarship Opportunities

In addition to the opportunity for Educational Grants for professional development provided by MLA, ALA also has a number of scholarship opportunities. Please see the following link for an announcement about their graduate program scholarship opportunities: http://www.ala.org/news/member-news/2019/09/accepting-scholarship-applications. The deadline for applications is March 1, 2020.

MLA Awards Nominations for 2020

It is time once again to turn our attention to recognizing the excellent service of our colleagues by nominating them for Maryland Library Association Awards. MLA wants to recognize special people who have contributed to libraries in Maryland and we need YOUR help! The MLA Awards Committee encourages you to nominate deserving colleagues for one of the awards described below. It’s easy to submit a nomination! Use the electronic form on the MLA website at https://www.mdlib.org/content.asp?contentid=184 to submit your nomination online. The page also provides detailed descriptions of and criteria for each award. You may e-mail nominations to: dbennett@carolib.org, or send via U.S. Mail to:
Debby Bennett
Executive Director
Caroline County Public Library
100 Market Street
Denton, MD 21629

If nominating someone by email or snail mail, please be sure to include the name of the award. Please submit all nominations by November 15, 2019.

Contact Debby Bennett, MLA Awards Committee Chair, by phone (410-479-1343, ext 152), or email at dbennett@carolib.org with questions or for more information.

The Maryland Library Association presents these awards:

Outstanding Member Award - recognizes a member of MLA who has effectively provided sustained service to MLA and significantly enhanced its mission and goals.
Emerging Leader Award - recognizes a member of MLA working in a library who demonstrates strong leadership potential and encourages the recipient to assume an increasingly responsible role in librarianship.
Outstanding Paraprofessional Award - recognizes a library paraprofessional or support staff member who made a significant contribution to libraries in Maryland.
Distinguished Service Award - recognizes a Maryland resident who has demonstrated effective library advocacy over an extended period of time and whose contribution to libraries transcends the boundaries of one county or political jurisdiction in Maryland.
Outstanding Volunteer Award – honors a library volunteer in Maryland who exemplifies the positive impact that volunteers can make in libraries through their outstanding service.
Honorary Membership - recognizes a lifetime of significant contributions to libraries and librarianship.
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, WMRL, CML, MASL, MAILL, MD/SLA, DCLA, LLAM, CMCLD, CALD and DC/SLA

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