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

November 4 Legislative Panel, 10:00am-11:30am. Online via Zoom. Contact Andrea Berstler at aberstler@carr.org
5 Black Caucus of MLA Meeting, 10:00am. Online via Zoom. Contact Sharon Morris at smorris5@retiree.jh.edu
7 Future of Libraries Interest Group, 10:00am-Noon. Online via Zoom. Topic: Education. Contact Tracy Miller at millert@bcplonline.org
8 Election Day-DON’T FORGET TO VOTE!
8 Conference Social Committee Meeting, 10:00am. Online via Zoom. Contact Lisa Allgeier at lallgeier@bcpl.net
10 Leadership Development Division Meeting, 1:30pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Rachel Miller at rmiller@bcpl.net
14 Children’s Service Division Meeting, 10:00am-12:30pm. On line via Blackboard. Contact Karen Earp at kearp@somelibrary.org
16 Conference Committee Meeting, 10:00am-Noon. Online via Zoom. Contact Kelsey Hughes at Kelsey.hughes@pgcmls.info.
16 Executive Committee Meeting, 1:00pm-3:00pm, Online via Zoom. Contact Josh Stone at mlaexec@mdlib.org.
17 ACRL MD Meeting, 11:00am-12:30pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Bria Sinnott at bsinnott@towson.edu.
Equity Diversity and Inclusion Meeting, 3:00pm. Online via MLA Connect. Contact Ashley Teagle at: ateagle@somd.lib.md.us.

Thanksgiving Day, MLA office closed

LGBTQ+ Meeting, 2:00pm-3:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Teresa Miller at: Teresa.miller@pgcmls.info.

December 1 Support Staff Division Meeting, 1:00pm-3:00pm. Oscar’s Ale Hurse East. Contact Chelsea Shockley at: cshockle@prattlibrary.org

Legislative Panel, 10:00am-11:30am. Online via Zoom. Contact Andrea Berstler at: aberstler@carr.org

Black Caucus of MLA Meeting, 10:00am. Online via Zoom. Contact Sharon Morris at: smorris5@retiree.jh.edu.

Future of Libraries Interest Group Meeting, 10:00am-Noon. Online via Zoom. Topic: Technology. Contact Tracy Miller at: millert@hcplonline.org.

Public Services Division Meeting, 9:30-10:00am. BCPL Perry Hall branch and on Zoom. Contact Jennifer Jones at: jonesj@hcplonline.org

Intellectual Freedom Panel Meeting, 1:00pm-3:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Andrea Boothby Rice at: aboothbyrice2@washcoll.edu.

Children’s Service Division Meeting, 10:00am-12:30pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Karen Earp at: kearp@somelibrary.org

Conference Social Committee Meeting, 10:00am. Online via Zoom. Contact Lisa Allgeier at: lallgeier@bcpl.net

Teen Interest Group Meeting, 2:00pm-3:00pm. TIG Talks. Online via Discord. Contact Jake Ciarapica at: jciarapica@bcpl.net or Kevin Jayce at: kjayce@bcpl.net

Conference Committee Meeting, 10:00am-Noon. Online via Zoom. Contact Kelsey Hughes at: Kelsey.hughes@pgcmls.info

Steering Committee Meeting, 1:00pm-3:00pm, Online via Zoom. Contact Josh Stone at: mlaexec@mdlib.org.

Materials Interest Group Meeting, 3:00pm-4:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Laura Bandoch at: bandoch@hcplonline.org

ACRL MD Meeting, 11:00am-12:30pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Bria Sinnott at: bsinnott@towson.edu

Equity Diversity and Inclusion Meeting, 3:00pm. Online via MLA Connect. Contact Ashley Teagle at: ateagle@somd.lib.md.us.

Hanukkah Begins

Christmas Day Holiday-MLA office closed.

Save the Date: CSD-Black Eyed Susan Tapestry Thursday, March 2, 2023

Please consider nominating a colleague for an MLA Award!

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.

The Margaret Carty 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. This award is named after former MLA Executive Director Margaret Carty who was an outstanding mentor and colleague to new librarians and MLA members at various stages of their career.

Outstanding Support Staff Award - recognizes a library paraprofessional or support staff member who made a significant contribution to libraries in Maryland. The winner of this award receives a one-year membership to MLA.
**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.

The list of awards and the nomination form can be found here: [https://www.mdlib.org/content.asp?contentid=184](https://www.mdlib.org/content.asp?contentid=184)

The deadline for nominations is November 18, 2022. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions. The awards will be presented at the MLA Conference in May 2023.

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**MLA/DLA Annual Conference: Level Up**

May 10-12, 2023

We have a keynote speaker for Friday! Delaware contacted Kaetrena Davis Kendrick and she has agreed to speak to our conference. Ms. Kendrick, the ACRL 2019 Academic and Research Librarian of the Year, recently published an article titled “The Public Librarian Low-Morale Experience”.

The Social Committee has taken steps to ensure that divisions, committees, or interest groups have an opportunity to network on Wednesday; they have offered to coordinate a specific meetup space. Contact your leader to determine if one has been set up for you!

Help plan the 2023 Conference-reach out to Kelsey (Kelsey.hughes@hclibrary.org) this year’s conference chair or Lisa Allgeier (lallgier@bcpl.net) if you have ideas for the social committee.

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**MLA Centennial Year 1923–2023**

MLA has a history of collaborating with other groups when it comes to the annual conference. In May of 1982, MLA combined with Maryland Educational Media Organization (MEMO) to produce a conference titled “Building Together”. Who was the Thursday banquet speaker—Maya Angelou! She presented an evening of Black poetry, reciting the poems of Georgia Douglass Johnson, James Weldon Johnson, Paul Laurence Dunbar, and Nikki Giovanni.

There was a bit of confusion over the “free wine”: apparently in prior years, different exhibitors contributed to the “welcome wine” portion of visiting the vendors. The July Crab made it clear that no conference registration funds were used to support this activity.

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**Law on the Frontlines: Legal Reference for Public Libraries**

**New for the Fall Session - LABS:**

Law and legal reference constitute a specialized area of knowledge and resources. The best way to be comfortable with a specialized area is to deal with it often, an opportunity not always presented to the generalist in a public library system. It is possible, however, to develop ability in this area through training and practice. The Frontlines Labs aim to offer this necessary training and practice. In the Labs session, law librarians will facilitate investigation into real-world resources of legal information.
Attendees are invited to come to the Lab with a legal reference question prepared in advance. The class will choose which questions to learn from, then divide into sections to work collaboratively with other attendees, guided by the law librarian facilitators.

As a high degree of participation will be expected from attendees, it is strongly recommended that attendees have attended or viewed at least one prior Frontlines session. Frontlines has been taught across the state for several years, and on-demand session recordings are available through the Frontlines website. ([https://mdcourts.gov/lawlib/using-library/for-librarians/legal-reference-training/PLR-schedule-training](https://mdcourts.gov/lawlib/using-library/for-librarians/legal-reference-training/PLR-schedule-training))

Registration is limited - one lab session per person please.

**LAB - November 2, 2022 (9:00 – 10:00 am)**
Register in advance for this meeting:
[https://mdcourts.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJIsfuGprD4sG3fVQBl5i1CUFG3vgqn9rDU](https://mdcourts.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJIsfuGprD4sG3fVQBl5i1CUFG3vgqn9rDU)
(Please submit sample questions by 10/28/2022.)

**LAB - November 15, 2022 (9:00 – 10:00 am)**
Register in advance for this meeting:
[https://mdcourts.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJIsdqTguEkUcZoT_10k5nCjDfkOoyZA](https://mdcourts.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJIsdqTguEkUcZoT_10k5nCjDfkOoyZA)
(Please submit sample questions by 11/11/2022.)

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The State Library Resource Center 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 session you are interested in. Be sure to include your email address.