



Maryland Library Association

# Happenings

Programs

**DECEMBER 2020**

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**MARYLAND LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**

**1401 HOLLINS STREET, BALTIMORE, MD 21223**

**Support Services Division &  
Intellectual Freedom Panel Present**

***What is the Privacy Divide?***

Wednesday March 24<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm – 2:00pm

Online Via Zoom\*

Members: \$12.50 Non-Members: \$18.75 Students|Retired|Unemployed|Friends: \$6.25

People with fewer economic resources can be both more at risk of having their privacy violated and more vulnerable to harmful consequences when it happens. For instance, less expensive smartphones often default to collecting more data, and "free" online services collect data about users that can be used against them. People with more resources, on the other hand, can afford paid services that collect less data. This difference is often referred to as the privacy divide, and it exacerbates inequalities that already exist. This session will explore different facets of the privacy divide, including why it exists and how it harms people. We will also review strategies and free tools that staff can take back to their patrons who can use them to protect themselves.

This program has been approved for 1 contact hour of continuing education

Registration deadline is: March 17<sup>th</sup>

\*Zoom links will be sent out Monday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>

To register online: [https://www.mdlib.org/ev\\_calendar\\_day.asp?date=3%2F24%2F21&eventid=112](https://www.mdlib.org/ev_calendar_day.asp?date=3%2F24%2F21&eventid=112)

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

- December**
- 3** **SSD Meeting**, 1:30pm. Online via AACPL Zoom. Contact Robin Soma-Dudley at [RDoma-Dudley@aacpl.net](mailto:RDoma-Dudley@aacpl.net)
  - 3** **Intellectual Freedom Panel Meeting**, 12:45pm-3:00pm. Online via Blackboard Ultra. Contact Sara Brown at [sabrown@bcpl.net](mailto:sabrown@bcpl.net)
  - 4** **Legislative Panel Meeting**, 10:00am. Online. Contact Andrea Berstler at [aberstler@carr.org](mailto:aberstler@carr.org)
  - 7** **Future of Libraries Interest Group Meeting, 11:00am. Online via Blackboard Ultra.** Contact Tracy Miller at [millert@hcplonline.org](mailto:millert@hcplonline.org).
  - 10** **Public Services Division Meeting**, 9:30am-12:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Sam Eddington at [sam@esrl.org](mailto:sam@esrl.org)
  - 11** **ACRL-MD Meeting**. 11:00am. Online via Blackboard Ultra. Contact Bria Sinnott at [bsinnot@towson.edu](mailto:bsinnot@towson.edu)
  - 12** **CML Board Meeting.**
  - 14** **Children's Services Division Meeting**. 10:00am-12:30am. Online via Zoom. Contact Betsy Brannon at [BBrannon@FrederickCountyMD.gov](mailto:BBrannon@FrederickCountyMD.gov)
  - 16** **Steering Committee Meeting**, 10:00am-Noon. Online via Zoom. Contact Margaret Carty at [mcarty@mdlib.org](mailto:mcarty@mdlib.org).
  - 16** **Conference Committee Meeting**, 1:00pm-3:00pm. Contact Tyler Wolfe at [twolfe@bcpl.net](mailto:twolfe@bcpl.net).
  - 21** **Equity Diversity and Inclusion Meeting**, 3:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Michelle Hamiel at [michelle.hamiel@pgcmls.info](mailto:michelle.hamiel@pgcmls.info)
  - 25-1/1** **Christmas Week**. MLA Office closed.
  - 28** **Blue Crab Award Meeting**, 10:00am-1:00pm. Online via Blackboard Ultra. Contact Laura Bandoch at [lbandoch@bcpl.net](mailto:lbandoch@bcpl.net)
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- January**
- 4** **Future of Libraries Interest Group Meeting, 11:00am. Online via Blackboard Ultra.** Contact Tracy Miller at [millert@hcplonline.org](mailto:millert@hcplonline.org).
  - 5** **Teen Interest Group**, 2:00pm-4:00pm. Online via Zoom-register here for meeting link: <https://forms.gle/BNGLWKvdMiptGwdi7> Contact Kelsey Hughes at [Kelsey.Hughes@pgcmls.info](mailto:Kelsey.Hughes@pgcmls.info)
  - 8** **Legislative Panel Meeting**, 10:00am. Online. Contact Andrea Berstler at [aberstler@carr.org](mailto:aberstler@carr.org)
  - 8** **Readers Advisory Interest Group Meeting**. 1:00pm-3:00pm. Online via Blackboard Ultra. Contact Meg Faller at [mfaller@calvertlibrary.info](mailto:mfaller@calvertlibrary.info).
  - 11** **Children's Services Division Meeting**, 10:00am-12:30pm. Online via Blackboard Collaboration. Contact Betsy Brannen at [BBrannen@FrederickCountyMD.gov](mailto:BBrannen@FrederickCountyMD.gov)
  - 14** **Leadership Development Division Meeting**, 1:30 pm-3:30pm Online via Zoom. Book discussion: *You're Not Listening*, by Kate Murphy. Contact Anita Crawford at [acrawford@bcpl.net](mailto:acrawford@bcpl.net).
  - 15** **ACRL-MD Meeting**. 11:00am. Online via Blackboard Ultra. Contact Bria Sinnott at [bsinnot@towson.edu](mailto:bsinnot@towson.edu)
  - 18** **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**. MLA Office Closed.
  - 20** **Executive Board Meeting** 10:00am-Noon. Online via Zoom. Contact Margaret Carty at [mcarty@carr.org](mailto:mcarty@carr.org).
  - 20** **2021 Conference Committee Meeting**, 1:00pm-3:00pm. Contact Tyler

Wolfe at [twolfe@bcpl.net](mailto:twolfe@bcpl.net).

22-26 **ALA Midwinter**, Virtual

25 **Equity Diversity and Inclusion Meeting**, 3:00pm. Online via Zoom.

Contact Michelle Hamiel at [michelle.hamiel@pgcmls.info](mailto:michelle.hamiel@pgcmls.info)



## **2020 MLA/DLA Conference - Into the Roaring 20s Tuesday October 6 – Thursday January 14**

Program update: we will be having a Codenames game night on December 3rd at 7pm in place of the Show-off Showcase! Library staff love word games, right? For those of you who aren't familiar, Codenames is a game where two teams compete by each having a "spymaster" give one-word clues that can point to multiple words on the board. Get your team to guess all your words first to win! We will be playing through [Codenamesgame.com](http://Codenamesgame.com) if you want to get a head start navigating the site, although Nay Keppler, the 2020 Conference Chair will happily explain the rules during the event. Don't forget to mark your calendars for the closing keynote Speaker, Stephen Thompson on Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. Not registered for the 2020 Conference? It's not too late; here's the link:

[https://www.mdlib.org/ev\\_calendar\\_day.asp?date=10%2F19%2F20&eventid=90](https://www.mdlib.org/ev_calendar_day.asp?date=10%2F19%2F20&eventid=90)

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## **2021 MLA/DLA Conference – Libraries Without Limits Online Via Zoom: Monday, May 3-Friday May 7, 2021**

The Conference Committee has been finalizing programs for the week-long Conference scheduled for May and have made some changes to the program lineup. This year, the Committee offered one program per time slot; the 2021 Conference will have 3 offerings per time slot. The Committee is carefully lining up the programs to ensure that the topics won't be the same. In case you find that you want to attend two programs at the same time, pending speaker agreement, they will be recorded and available afterwards. The Social Committee has been meeting and have come up with some new activities such as games played in breakout rooms, a virtual Happy Hour and Zoom Karaoke. Would you like to join this group or another sub-committee? Contact Tyler ([twolfe@bcpl.net](mailto:twolfe@bcpl.net)) and ask to be included the next time he sends out the Zoom link.

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## **The State Library Resource Center one-hour webinar**

12/2/20 - [Graphic Novels: Heroes of the Children's Collection](#)

This training is worth one contact hour. To find out more and to sign up, simply click on the class link above. When registering, be sure to include your email address so that you can be sent log in instructions before each scheduled session.

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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March 24, 2021

\_\_\_Member \$25.00...\_\_\_ Non-member \$37.50\_\_\_Student|Retired|Unemployed|Friend \$6.25

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