Your Guide
to the 2015 Elections
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Voting is one of the most important things you can do as a member of the American Library Association. This is because the officers you elect will make a real difference:

The President of the Association will serve as the public voice of the Association, of libraries of all types and all across the nation, and of American libraries around the world. The president represents us as members and the library users we serve, doing hundreds of media interviews and speaking with dozens of groups each year. A new president-elect is elected every year. In this 2015 election, we have four candidates vying for this position, two of whom were nominated by the ALA Nominating Committee and two of whom have chosen to run by petition.

The Treasurer helps chart the financial future of the Association, and makes sure that our dues dollars get the maximum “bang for the buck”. They work closely with member advisory groups and staff to guide the Association through financial ups and financial downs, and help support our work for libraries and the public by sustaining a strong Association. The treasurer position appears on the ballot every three years. There is no treasurer position on this year’s ballot.

The 186 Councilors are responsible for setting the broad policies that shape our Association’s public positions and direction. Whether we’re talking about intellectual freedom, the privatization of libraries or e-books, Councilors weigh all of the factors and make sure that the Association takes stands that are important to libraries and to the public we serve.

All of these elected officers represent you and your interests. The good news—You get to pick them!

So your vote is very, very important.

This Online Election “Booklet” is designed to provide:

» Some insights about the Presidency and Council.
» Some Council “myth busters” and some examples of Council’s recent resolutions relating to libraries.
» Easy-to-find information about the candidates.
» Voting instructions and timeline.

Reviewing candidate information and voting does take some time, but we hope that you will join the members who understand that their vote really does shape the future. So get out and vote!

Keith Michael Fiels
Executive Director
American Library Association
The ALA President

The individual elected to the position of ALA President serves three years on the ALA Executive Board: One year as President-elect, one year as President, and one year as Immediate Past President.

The role of the ALA President is to be the Association’s chief spokesperson and to work closely with the ALA's Executive Director in identifying and promoting library issues nationwide and internationally. The ALA President is recognized as the Association’s leader by its members. He/she is also vital to the governance of the Association and serves as presiding officer at Executive Board, Council, and Membership meetings.

Throughout this three-year term, the individual promotes ALA’s programs, priorities, and key messages through attendance at various state, national, and international library association meetings, as well as with the media. They lead the Association in planning for the future and work closely with members to ensure that their ideas and concerns help drive the overall direction of the Association.

The ALA President is also a member, ex officio with vote, of the Board of Trustees of the Freedom to Read Foundation. They also serve as the President of the ALA-Allied Professional Association (ALA-APA).

Based on the experience of successful past ALA presidents, this position is equal to at least a half-time job.

During the year as President-elect, this individual serves as spokesperson for the Association in the absence of the president or when asked to do so. They also represent the Association at meetings, conferences, receptions, legislative hearings, and other events.

Presidential Initiatives

The President develops presidential initiatives in keeping with the prevailing ALA messages and Strategic Plan. Here are some recent presidential accomplishments:

- Rather than create new initiative projects, 2014-2015 President Courtney Young is focusing her resources on “kick starting” programs that were already being proposed and further enhancing programs already underway throughout the Association. Examples include working with the Office for Human Resource Development and Recruitment in partnership with ALA Chapters to provide training for a national cohort of 25 librarians from a cross section of libraries to become certified Career Development Facilitators (CDF).

- Young is also assisting ALA Staff to create a Media Resource Archive for ALA which will include photos, audio, video, and other material that can be turned into content and messages for advocacy, member engagement, marketing, communication, social media, recruitment, media outreach, and publications.

- Finally, Young is assisting the American Association of School Librarians (AASL) with the development of an annual Leadership Conference for state affiliate leaders.

Following the lead of her predecessors, 2013-2014 President Barbara Stripling continues the transformation process with her “Libraries Change Lives” initiative. The initiative is framed around three areas of transformative practice that enable community members to change their lives: literacy, community engagement, and innovation.
Stripling developed the Declaration for the Right to Libraries which is collecting signatures across the country—and the world—from individuals who want to affirm their right to libraries. All kinds of libraries—public, school, academic, as well as “special” libraries in hospitals, law firms, banks, and corporations—are organizing declaration signings to raise public awareness about the role that libraries play in our communities, and to generate dialog about the needs of the community and how the library can be a solution to these needs.

Stripling also worked to engage libraries and their communities by promoting library partnerships with TEDx events which are designed to engage community members through collaborative engagement, focusing on the concept of “ideas worth spreading.”

A series of webinars, with topics ranging from maker space to strategic partnering to literacy innovations, took place throughout Stripling’s presidential year.

Stripling’s presidency culminated with a Summit on the Future of Libraries in Washington, DC, May 2-3, 2014. The summit brought together thought leaders both within and outside of the library profession to focus on thinking differently about the future of libraries in the context of societal, educational, and technological changes.

2012-2013 President Maureen Sullivan continued the work begun by Immediate Past President Molly Raphael in the area of community engagement. Working with a grant from IMLS, Sullivan’s initiative “Promise of Libraries Transforming Communities” teamed ALA with the Harwood Institute for Public Innovation to develop a multi-phased, iterative initiative that provided the tools, techniques, skills, and training that libraries and librarians need to play a stronger role in their community.

Sullivan also worked with the Harvard Graduate School of Education to conduct a three-day symposium (March 21-23, 2013) called Library Leadership in the Digital Age to help administrators and managers in libraries of all types learn how to lead effectively in the face of the new challenges of the Digital Age.

Finally, Sullivan and various ALA staff worked to create the ALA Leadership Institute. This unique four-day immersive leadership development program for future library leaders will be held for a third year in Itasca, IL, August 9-13, 2015.

2011-2012 President Molly Raphael's initiatives centered on “Empowering Voices.” One component of these initiatives centered on “Empowering Diverse Voices.” In addition to the various activities that took place at the 2012 Midwinter Meeting and Annual Conference, two Leadership Series webinars were presented and recorded for ongoing access: Library Leadership 2.0: The Intersection of Diversity and Leadership and Perspectives on Leadership featuring five library leaders.

The second component of Raphael's initiative centered on “Empowering Voices, Transforming Communities” and focused on engaging on our communities to advocate for libraries and their value, based on factors that matter to communities and their leaders. A series of three webinars was created, each focused on engaging communities and the evolving role of libraries and strengthening the librarian’s voice to help shape community perception.
This Year’s Candidates

This year’s candidates for ALA President-elect are Joseph Janes, James (Jamie) LaRue, JP Porcaro, and Julie Todaro.

Video of the Presidential Candidates’ Forum at the 2015 ALA Midwinter Meeting

Joseph Janes, associate professor and chair of the MLIS program at the University of Washington Information School, has been an ALA member since 1982. He served on the ALA Committee on Accreditation (2007-11) as well as the ALA Office of Information Technology Policy Advisory Committee (1998-02). He is an active member of the Library & Information Technology Association (LITA) and the Reference and User Services Association (RUSA), both divisions of the ALA. He was the 2006 recipient of the Isadore Gilbert Mudge award, from RUSA, for distinguished contributions to reference work.

Janes was the founding director of the Internet Public Library (1995-98). He is a frequent presenter at national conferences including ALA, the Canadian Library Association, and Library of Congress, in addition to conferences in Europe, the UK, and Japan. He provided expert plaintiff testimony in the 2001 Children’s Internet Protection Act (CIPA) lawsuit (ALA vs. United States), and has been a columnist for American Libraries magazine since 2002. He holds a bachelor’s degree in mathematics, a Masters of Library Science, and a Ph.D. in Information Transfer, all from Syracuse University.

“Who would have guessed, when the teenaged me was working beside my mom on the reference desk at the Oneida Library, that one day I’d be running for ALA President? Wow!” Janes said. “I’ve had the great good fortune to help prepare people for their careers in librarianship for almost 30 years, and the privilege to write and speak and think about how what we do makes humanity more human. I’ve met some extraordinary people and learned a great deal, and it would be an honor—and a lot of fun—to share widely the stories of this profession we all hold so dear, which makes people and communities better, and to help all of us to think creatively and critically about what comes next.”

James LaRue, CEO of LaRue & Associates, Castle Rock, Colo., has been an ALA member since 1994 and has served as a member of the ALA Digital Content Working Group from 2010-14.

Recently retired from the Douglas County (Colo.) Libraries, he has also held offices on the Bibliographic Center for Research Board of Trustees, the OCLC Membership Council, and has served on numerous committees of the Colorado State Library and the Colorado Library Association, including a stint as its president (1998-99).

“This is a time of both extraordinary opportunity and extraordinary challenge,” said LaRue. “Librarians have a vital role to play, right now, at the birth of an unparalleled explosion of local, national, and international content creation. We are also urgently needed to help our communities thrive, and to promote literacy for the young, which itself solves many community problems before they begin. I am honored to have the opportunity to speak on behalf of our profession as a candidate for ALA President.”

In 1998, LaRue was named Colorado Librarian of the Year, and received the Colorado Library Association’s Julie J. Boucher Award for Intellectual Freedom in 2000 and again in 2007. Other honors include the John Cotton Dana Award for the Douglas County Libraries for the 2006 project “Page to Stage” and the Castle Rock Chamber of Commerce’s 2003 Business Person of the Year. Upon his retirement in January 2014, the Board of Trustees of the Douglas County Libraries renamed the former Highlands Ranch Library to the James H. LaRue Library.

He led the establishment of an independent public library district in Douglas County, Colo., which went from the worst ranked public library in the state in 1990 to the top ranked library in the nation in 2006. For over 20 years he wrote a weekly newspaper column connecting the public library to the community, and most recently has written an eContent blog (2011-14).

LaRue holds a Master of Science degree in Library and Information Science from the University of Illinois and a Bachelor of Science degree in Philosophy and English from Illinois State University.
JP Porcaro, Librarian for Acquisitions and Technological Discovery at the New Jersey City University Guarini Library, Jersey City, N.J., has been an ALA member since 2004 and was the organizer and founding president of the ALA Games & Gaming Round Table (GameRT) (2010-12). He served on the New Jersey Library Association (NJLA) Executive Board (2012-13) and served as the NJLA chapter councilor on the ALA Council (2013-14).

Porcaro was an ALA Emerging Leader in 2010 and was named as a Library Journal Mover & Shaker in 2012. He is a founding member of the ALA Think Tank, social media's largest space for librarians. He is also a member of the Advisory Board of the EveryLibrary political action committee, the Social Organizer for Urban Librarians Unite, and an administrator for the Librarian Wardrobe blog.

“Through their service—and with a spirit of empathy, enthusiasm, and joy—librarians make the world a better place. Bringing that message and energy to the highest level of the American Library Association will inspire positive change in libraries everywhere!” said Porcaro.

Julie Todaro, Dean of Library Services at Austin (Texas) Community College, has been an ALA member since 1972.

Her activities—which focus on all types of libraries—include co-chair of President Stripling’s “Libraries From Now On” summit; co-chair of President Alire’s “Frontline Advocacy” initiative; member of President Kranich’s “Information Literacy Partnerships” initiative; member of President Somerville’s “Kids Can’t Wait” initiative and lead authorship of Alire’s ACRL Presidential Initiative The Power of Persuasion. Todaro is the 2007-08 past-president of the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL), the 2000-01 Texas Library Association (TLA) past-president and 2012 chair of the Texas Council of Academic Librarians. She has been active in ALA Divisions and Roundtables including ACRL, the Library Leadership and Management Association (LLAMA), the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC) and the Library Information Round Table (LIRT). Todaro was the chair for Texas school library standards, public library development and transforming Texas libraries.

“My professional commitment has been to the communication of the role and value of libraries, librarians, library workers and library supporters,” said Todaro. “Although ‘role and value’ is typically an easy sell to our loyal constituents, our challenge has been and continues to be creating awareness, illustrating outcomes and proving worth to decision makers and funders. It would be an honor to serve ALA members and stakeholders to advance the vision and mission of libraries.”

Todaro received the TLA 1996 Librarian of the Year Award, the 2012 Lifetime Achievement Award and received the 2005 Austin Business Journal Profiles in Power Award.


Todaro is the Dean of Library Services for Austin Community College in Austin, Texas. She earned her DLS from Columbia University’s School of Library Service, a MLS from The University of Texas Graduate School of Library Science (including school librarian all-level certification) and her BS in English and History from The University of Texas.
ALA Council

What is Council?
The Council is the governing body of ALA. It delegates to the divisions of the Association authority to plan and carry out programs and activities with policy established by Council. Council determines all policies of the Association and its decisions are binding unless set aside by a majority vote in which one-fourth of the members of the Association have voted.

Council Composition
Council is comprised of 100 councilors-at-large who are elected by the Association membership as provided in Bylaw Article III, Sec. 1(c) and Bylaw Article IV, Sec. 2(e). The slate of councilor-at-large candidates is determined by the ALA Nominating Committee.

Each division of the Association is entitled to one councilor to be elected by members of the divisions as provided in Bylaw Article IV, Sec. 2(c).

Each state and territorial chapter is entitled to one councilor to be elected by members of the chapter as provided by Bylaw Article IV, Sec. 2(b). Chapter representation is through state chapters unless chapters in a region choose to take representation through that regional chapter. In such case, the regional chapter shall elect one representative from each state or provincial chapter within that regional association. There is no current regional chapter representation.

Round tables with personal membership equal to or greater than one percent of ALA’s total personal membership shall be entitled to elect one councilor each, and the remaining round tables jointly shall be entitled to one councilor to be elected for a term of three years by the members of the respective round tables. The membership of the round tables, for purposes of this section, shall be fixed as of August 31st of each year. A councilor elected under this Article shall continue to serve without prejudice to any change that might occur in the size of the membership of their round table as provided in Bylaw Article IV, Sec. 2(d).

Councilors serve three-year terms and may run for subsequent terms by filing a petition which must be signed by at least 25 ALA members in good standing. Petition candidates are placed on the ballot along with candidates selected by the Nominating Committee.
Council Responsibilities

The Council meets four times at both the ALA Midwinter Meeting and Annual Conference. At these meetings, Council may perform any or all of the following duties (this is a partial list):

» Review actions of the ALA Executive Board;
» Receive reports from the ALA President, Executive Director, Treasurer, the Freedom to Read Foundation, the Endowment Trustees, and the Policy Monitoring Committee;
» Originate and act on all proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws before these are submitted to the membership for vote;
» Establish dues for chapter, organization and corporate ALA members upon recommendation of the Executive Board;
» Establish or discontinue divisions or round tables;
» Determine all Association policies;
» Authorize changes, additions, and deletions in the ALA Policy Manual upon recommendation of the Policy Monitoring Committee.

Council “Mythbusters”

Myth: Once you’re on Council, you’re on for life, so what’s the point of voting if the same people keep getting re-elected?
Actually, based on an unofficial census, approximately 26.9% of councilors have served more than four (4) years; and only 6.6% of all councilors between 1992 and the present have served more than nine (9) years. In fact, of the 33 councilors whose terms expire in 2013, only 18 are running for re-election.

Myth: You have to be an ALA member for many many years before you can be elected to Council.
In the past three elections, the average length of ALA membership of those elected to Council was 16 years, with the shortest being one year of membership and the longest being 40 years.

Myth: Councilors get a “free-ride” to Midwinter and Annual Conference.
Not true! ALA does not pay for councilors to attend conferences; in fact, many councilors receive no financial support from their home institutions and have to pay out-of-pocket to attend conferences and serve on the ALA Council.

Myth: Council does not address topics that are pertinent to libraries or the profession.
While it is true that the ALA Council occasionally discusses such matters as the war in Iraq or the crisis in Kenya, most Council actions relate directly to library issues. Following is a partial list of actions taken by ALA Council in recent years.
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<td>- Condemns the restriction of access to educational materials associated with ethnic and cultural studies programs.</td>
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<td>- Urges the Arizona legislature to pass HB 2654, “An Act Repealing Sections 15-111 and 15-112, Arizona Revised Statutes; Relating to School Curriculum.”</td>
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<td>Publishers and Practices Which Discriminate Against Library Users,</td>
<td>- Opposes any discriminatory policies of publishers and distributors which adversely impact access to content by library users.</td>
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In 2014 Council passed:

» A resolution on expanding federal whistleblower protections, which
  - urges Congress to amend the Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act of 2012 to extend existing legal protections for whistleblowers to employees of all national security and intelligence agencies, and to non-federal employees working for civilian contractors;
  - urges Congress to establish a secure procedure by which all federal employees, and all non-federal employees working for civilian contractors, may safely share evidence they have discovered of fraud, waste, or abuse with the appropriate oversight committees of Congress, and directly with the press and the American people, with the protection of legally enforceable rights against retaliation or prosecution; and
  - commends the courage and perseverance of federal employees, and non-federal employees working for civilian contractors, who risk their livelihoods, their reputations and their liberty to expose evidence of government fraud, waste, or abuse.

» A resolution on Curbing Government Surveillance and Restoring Civil Liberties, and commending Senator Patrick Leahy and Congressman James Sensenbrenner for sponsoring the USA FREEDOM Act, the 143 legislators in the Senate and the House who have co-sponsored it, and the 85 organizations that have endorsed it, as of January 27, 2014.

» A resolution on maintaining government websites during a government shutdown and urging the president to direct the federal Office of Management and Budget (OM) and the Department of Justice (DoJ) to provide guidance to federal agencies that states that, in the event of a government shutdown or other emergency, continued access by the public to essential information on agency websites is an “excepted” activity that would warrant the retention of paid personnel or the obligation of funds.

» A resolution in Support of Stable Funding for Air Force Libraries and urging the Administration, DoD and USAF to develop responsible information and budget management strategies for Air Force Base and Command Libraries that aligns them directly with appropriated funds, rather than through base operations, where library funding is vulnerable to additional local cuts.

» A resolution granting the District of Columbia Government budget autonomy to allow city services, including libraries, to remain open during a federal government shutdown.

» A Resolution on Digitization of U.S. Government Documents, which read:

  “That the American Library Association (ALA), on behalf of its members:
  1. supports and encourages a national preservation plan for Federal Depository Library Program materials;
  2. encourages policies that promote digitization with a reasonable number of dispersed preserved copies of print FDLP materials;
  3. supports technologies that guarantee long-term, robust, verifiable, complete, accurate, authentic, preservable, and usable digital formats;
  4. works with the Government Printing Office (GPO) and the FDL community on developing procedures to authenticate and ingest digital and digitized content into FDsys from federal depository libraries and federal agencies; and
  5. supports the creation of a no-fee, searchable, online inventory of digital and digitized government materials with downloadable metadata.

The 2015 Council Ballot

This year, 80 candidates are running to fill 33 vacant Councilor-at-Large seats. Candidate biographies are available on the ALA website. The biographies are also available in a searchable Excel spreadsheet format.
How do I Vote?

To be eligible to vote, individuals must be members in good standing as of January 31, 2015. In early-March, members received notification by email confirming their eligibility to vote.

In 2008, the American Library Association began holding its election exclusively online. The only exception is for members with disabilities and without Internet access. These individuals may obtain a paper ballot by contacting ALA customer service at 1-800-545-2433, ext. 5. Those without Internet access at home or at work can easily access the election site by visiting their local public (or in many instances, academic or school) libraries. The ballot can also be accessed on your Smartphone.

The polls will open at 9:00 a.m. CDT on Wednesday, March 24. Voters will be notified by email and will be provided with a unique passcode and information about how to vote.

The polls close on Friday, May 1 at 11:59 p.m. CDT. On May 8, the Election Committee will meet at the ALA offices to certify the election. Election results will be released following that meeting.
Interested in Running for Office?

The ALA Nominating Committee nominates candidates from among the general membership for the position of president-elect (annually), for the position of treasurer (every three years), and for members-at-large of Council (annually). ALA elections are held in the spring of each year with the results announced in early May.

About the Nominations Process

The 2016 Nominating Committee began its work of selecting potential candidates for the 2016 ALA elections for President-elect, Treasurer and Councilor-at-Large at the 2015 Midwinter Meeting. The members of the Nominating Committee for the 2016 ALA Election are:

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You may contact any of the committee members if you are interested in being considered for candidacy in the 2016 election. All interested individuals must also complete a biographical information form at https://www.directvote.net/alanomination/2016users.html.

Petition Candidates

Individuals wishing to appear on the 2016 ballot as a petition candidate for the office of ALA President-Elect, ALA Treasurer, or ALA Councilor-at-Large must complete a petition form with the signatures of no fewer than 25 ALA current personal members. Petitions must be created electronically by logging-in to the ALA website.

All candidates, whether nominated or running by petition, must complete a Candidate Biographical Information form. The information provided on this form provides the basis for the ballot.

Further Information

For further information about running for office, general election information, and links to press releases and various forms, please go to: http://www.ala.org/aboutala/governance/alaelection.