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EMIERT—the Ethnic and Multicultural Information Exchange Round Table—has been an active force in the American Library Association (ALA) for more than 30 years.

EMIERT's main purpose is—

- ◆ *To serve as a source of information on recommended ethnic collections, services, and programs.*

To achieve this purpose, EMIERT members and leadership:

- ◆ *Organize task forces, institutes, and workshops and develop for ALA annual conferences forums and symposia programs that deal with the key issues of ethnicity and librarianship.*
- ◆ *Maintain a liaison with the Office of Library Outreach Services (OLOS) and cooperate with other ALA units, including the caucuses, in joint projects for the betterment of outreach services.*
- ◆ *Disseminate the work of the Round Table through a program of publications, including The EMIE Bulletin (now part of Multicultural Review) and the Directory of Ethnic and Multicultural Publishers, Distributors, and Resource Organizations.*

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A Short History of EMIERT

1967

The American Association of School Librarians (ASSL) organized an Ad Hoc Committee on the Treatment of Minorities in Library Materials.

1972

The Ethnic Materials Information Exchange Task Force of the Social Responsibilities Round Table (SRRT) was founded.

1982-1983

The Ethnic Materials Information Exchange (EMIE) Task Force was elevated to the status of Round Table at the American Library Association annual conference held in Philadelphia in 1982. Approval by ALA Council came in January 1983.

1998

At the Annual Meeting held in Washington, D.C., in June 1998, the name of the organization was changed to Ethnic and Multicultural Information Exchange Round Table to reflect the more encompassing tasks now undertaken by this Round Table.

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