

Dear Members,

The new ALA Connect has launched! How will *you* use the new site? To engage with your member groups? Join new communities? Share documents? Post a question to get advice from colleagues?

Get started by logging in with your ALA username and password at connect.ala.org. Read and accept the *Code of Conduct* to proceed, then review and update your profile settings.

- The new site lets you control your privacy, communication frequency, email preferences, and current ALA password. The instructions in [Understanding Your Privacy & Communications Settings in ALA Connect](#), will help you configure all of your preferences the way you want them set.
- Only you will see your contact information unless you change that setting.
- You can adjust your communication frequency to real time, daily digest or no email on a group-by-group basis by going to My Profile > My Account > Community Notifications. By default, committee notifications are set to real time and all other groups are set to daily digest.
- Fill out your profile to highlight your bio, interests, education, work history, publications, professional groups and associations, honors and awards, and more. You can set the privacy level on each section of your profile to either public, members only, just your contacts, or only you, putting your privacy in your hands.

Connect recognizes your ALA membership status as well as all your division, round table, and group memberships. A shortcut menu takes you right to them.

Explore ALA Connect

- Post to your existing communities;
- Search for new communities to join;
- The new “My Networks” feature automatically lists members with whom you have interests in common. Use the site’s messaging feature to contact them (remember, you control your privacy setting for participating in this feature);
- Search the Member Directory by name, organization, interests, or email address.
- Search across all of ALA Connect from the homepage, or limit to a division or round table’s content by searching from within their site.

Learn More

- [Resources and training are available on the ALA Support site.](#)

Our Privacy Policy

ALA is still finalizing an updated privacy policy that will cover all our web properties. Until it is ready, we want to assure you that in addition to what is outlined in our current [Privacy Policy](#), all information you add to your profile and your activity on ALA Connect will not be shared, sold, or otherwise given to a

third-party. We may use your demographic data, interests, and general activity in aggregate without any personally identifiable information.

ALA is in the process of cleaning up old ALA Connect links embedded in the ALA Website. If you find a broken link, please send us a message and we'll take care of it.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact us at connect@ala.org.

Thank you.