Introducing the NMRT SASCO Update

The 2011-2012 NMRT Student and Student Chapter Outreach Committee is thrilled to publish our very first SASCO Update! Our goal is to create a resource that organizes and summarizes the news, scholarship information, professional development events, and information on searching for a job/internship that goes out the library community. We aim to please so if there is an area we are not covering or information you’d like us to include please don’t hesitate to contact your SASCO liaison.

ALA Midwinter Events

Looking for more ALA Midwinter programs and events? Use the ALA Midwinter Scheduler to optimize your conference experience.

NMRT Resume Review Service

A schedule of reviewers (with library type and specialization) will be posted on the RRS site a few days prior to the conference. You may want to look at the schedule and jot down a few possible times. Print out and bring several copies of your resume and/or cover letter. If you are applying for a certain job, you may want to bring a copy of the job ad to show the reviewer. [Read more instructions on the site.]

ALA JobLIST Placement Center at ALA Midwinter

If you’re looking for a job or a new employee, in addition to the networking possibilities at ALA Midwinter Meeting (Dallas, TX, January 20-24, 2012), the ALA JobLIST Placement Center is an excellent resource, with all services free to job seekers. A great service offered by the placement center is the resume review service. You can find more information about that here. Provided by the ALA Office for Human Resource Development and Recruitment (HRDR), the Placement Center will be open on the Saturday and Sunday of the meeting, with an orientation on Saturday at 8:30am. January 21.

NMRT/LLAMA New Leaders Discussion Group

Sunday, January 22 - 10:30am - 12:00pm
Dallas Convention Center Room A307

How can professional organization involvement enhance your day-to-day job? Join us for a discussion and networking with LLAMA and NMRT leaders, new librarians, new members of LLAMA and/or NMRT, librarians making career shifts, and anyone interested in developing leadership skills. 3 Discussion starters will be presented: The Perks of Being a Joiner: How to make the most of your professional involvement by Jessica Pryde, Archbishop Carroll High School, Washington, DC; Why Current Library Science Students Need to be Involved in Professional Organizations by Julia Wright, University of North Texas; and "We Could Do That!" - Bringing Your Conference Ideas Home by Andrea Mullarkey, Berkeley Public Library, NMRT Governance Chair. Additional time for networking and DOOR-PRIZES.

ALCTS Mentoring

Saturday, January 21, 10:30am-12pm
Dallas Convention Center Room D172

Are you a new ALCTS member or interested in becoming a member? Please join the ALCTS New Members Interest Group on Saturday, January 21, 10:30am-12pm in the Dallas Convention Center Room D172 for a brief overview of ALCTS and opportunity to network with other new members and veteran members. Before attending the meeting, please register to be a mentor or mentee at http://bit.ly/s9RvP1. Anyone unable to register before the meeting is still welcome, and may be matched depending on availability of other mentors or mentees.
Join the ACRL New Members Discussion Group at Midwinter!
Sunday, January 22 10:30am-12:00pm
Sheraton Dallas, Lone Star Ballroom C3

Library school can never prepare you for all of the tasks and problems that you may encounter in a library. Whether it’s learning to work within a difficult institutional culture, project management, how to take on leadership positions, or limited programming skills. In this session four panelists will share their own experiences and how they’ve worked to overcome the challenges. Bring your own experiences and questions to help us further the conversation.

ALA Midwinter: The Fun Stuff

Socials at Midwinter are not just about free food (though that is a big bonus); they’re also about networking, learning from your fellow librarians, and making new friends. You never know who you’ll meet and if that could be a lead to your next job, project, big idea… Here’s a list of a few socials to attend at Midwinter. For a complete list see the full schedule.

ACRL Instruction Section Soiree
Mark your calendars! The IS Soirée at ALA Midwinter will be on Friday, January 20th, 2012, from 5:30 - 7pm at Pho Colonial in Dallas, TX. There will be vegan/vegetarian and meat options for food, and a cash bar will be available.
**Who:** For anyone interested in the ACRL Instruction Section
**Where:** Pho Colonial, 164 North Ervay St., Dallas, TX 75201
**When:** Friday, January 20, 5:30-7:00 pm
**Why:** To eat, drink, socialize, network, & find out about IS events at ALA MW 2012
**Please RSVP at:** [http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/midwintersoiree](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/midwintersoiree)

RUSA Social
The RUSA Social is a great way to kick off your Saturday evening! Stop by to meet and greet with fellow RSSers and other RUSA members -- and nosh on some food, courtesy of Thomson Reuters.
**When:** Saturday, January 21, 6:00pm – 8:00pm
**Where:** Adolphus Hotel, Century Ballroom A

NMRT Social
Join NMRT members for an evening of networking and fun at the City Tavern in Dallas (1401 Main Street). Light refreshments will be provided. Everyone is welcome!
**When:** Saturday, January 21, 5:30-7:30pm
**Where:** City Tavern, 1402 Main Street, Dallas, TX 75201

News

**Student Chapter of the Year Award Now Accepting Nominations!**
**Deadline March 2, 21012**
Is your student chapter looking for fame and extra funds so you can travel to ALA Annual in 2012? If so, consider applying for the NMRT Student Chapter of the Year Award. The award is presented in recognition of a chapter's outstanding contributions to ALA, their school, and the profession. With the award comes $1,000 to help defray the cost of attending the ALA Annual Conference. To learn more about the award and download the nomination form, visit [http://www.ala.org/nmrt/scotya](http://www.ala.org/nmrt/scotya).
Why You Should Join Your State Library Association

There are many reasons to join your state library association, also known as an ALA Chapter. Besides receiving discounts for attending their annual conferences, your state library association provides networking, mentoring, and all kinds of other opportunities and services! Most importantly, you have the opportunity to contribute to your state association’s efforts to advocate for the library profession and your own state’s libraries. Visit ALA’s state and regional chapters page and contact your state library association for how to join today!

Professional Development Opportunities

A Library Writer's Blog
Maintained by Corey Seeman of the University of Michigan, this blog aggregates writing and presentation opportunities for librarians. Subscribe to the RSS feed for a convenient way to keep up-to-date with professional development opportunities.

The Federal Librarian
The Federal Librarian is an excellent resource for practitioners and students interested in learning about the key issues and opportunities affecting Federal and Armed Forces libraries and information professionals. The entirety of the current issue of the Federal Librarian is available online.

ACRL Seeks Committee Volunteers
Deadline: February 15, 2012
Committee work is a great way to get more involved in the section and there are committees and interest groups to interest everyone. If you’re interested check out the out the volunteer form. Descriptions of the committees and positions can be found here.

LITA/Ex Libris seeking LIS student authors
Deadline February 28, 2012
The Library and Information Technology Association (LITA), a division of the American Library Association (ALA), is pleased to offer an award for the best unpublished manuscript submitted by a student or students enrolled in an ALA-accredited graduate program. The manuscript can be written on any aspect of libraries and information technology. Examples include digital libraries, metadata, authorization and authentication, electronic journals and electronic publishing, telecommunications, distributed systems and networks, computer security, intellectual property rights, technical standards, desktop applications, online catalogs and bibliographic systems, universal access to technology, library consortia and others.

Sponsored by LITA and Ex Libris, the award consists of $1,000, publication in LITA’s refereed journal, Information Technology and Libraries (ITAL), and a certificate. The deadline for submission of the manuscript is February 28, 2012.

To be eligible, applicants must follow the detailed guidelines and fill out the application form at http://www.lita.org/ala/mgrps/divs/lita/involve/committees/exlibris/ExLibrisAwardApplica.pdf

Poster proposals (250 words or less) should be submitted via e-mail to:
Edward Gonzalez, Co-Chair of the STS Research Committee, elgonzal@iupui.edu
Be sure to include your name, institution, phone, fax, e-mail address, and poster title.
2012 LITA National Forum-Call for Proposals

Deadline: February 17, 2012

The 2012 National Forum Committee seeks proposals for high quality pre-conferences, concurrent sessions and poster sessions for the 15th annual LITA National Forum to be held in Columbus, OH, October 3 - October 7, 2012. The theme is: New World of Data: Discover. Connect. Remix.

The Forum Committee is interested in pre-conferences and presentations about projects, plans or discoveries in areas of library-related technologies related to the identification, location, harvesting, harnessing, use, misuse, preservation and loss of data of all types and all formats in dynamic and emerging web environments. We welcome proposals related to all types of libraries: public, school, academic, government, special, and corporate. Proposals on any aspect of library and information technology are solicited. The Forum Committee is especially interested in presentations highlighting projects that are experimental or involve risk-taking. Submit your proposal here.

“New Librarians Global Connection: best practices, models and recommendations”

“New Librarians Global Connection: best practices, models and recommendations” is a new series of free quarterly webinars on issues of interest to new librarians, models of library associations and library schools working with new professionals, and groups by and for librarians. The free webinars are presented by IFLA Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning and IFLA New Professionals Special Interest Group in partnership with ALA. Below, the date and time of the first webinar. Save the date! January 17, 2012

2:00 p.m. CST, 3:00 p.m. EST, 8:00 p.m. CET, 7:00 a.m. EDT (next day)

Speakers:
Dr. Alex Byrne, New South Wales State Librarian and Chief Executive of the State Library NSW in Australia. IFLA President 2005-2007. Highlighting the topics: LIS school curriculum, gained skills and degrees vs. “the reality” at work. Bridging the gap between theory and practice. How to deal with generational differences at work?

Janice Lachance, J.D., CEO of the Special Libraries Association. Featuring a model of a library association’s work with new professionals in various regions of the globe.

JP Porcaro, Head of Library Acquisitions and Technological Discovery at New Jersey City University. Co-founder of ALA Think Tank, and originator of the Make It Happen philosophy for librarians. Featuring a group by and for librarians.

The webinars will be recorded and made available at a later date. For more information and updates:
http://npsig.wordpress.com/webinars/

SAA Call for Student Paper and Poster Presentations

The 2012 Student Program Subcommittee is accepting proposals for two special sessions dedicated to student scholarship during SAA’s Annual Meeting in San Diego, August 6-11, 2012. Work from both master’s and doctoral students will be considered. Proposals that address the program theme are especially encouraged.

SLIS Student Research Journal (SRJ) invites submissions from library and information science graduate students for the Spring 2012 issue. Take this opportunity to showcase your best work and to promote scholarship and intellectual inquiry in the MLIS and MARA (Master of Archive and Records Administration) disciplines. Submit papers from current or past coursework: we accept original research, literature reviews, or critical review essays covering topics in all fields of information science theory, policy, application, or practice.
Scholarships & Funding

**ALA Awards & Grants**
ALA offers hundreds of grant and award opportunities throughout the year and for all types of librarians/students. Check out their list of grant opportunities often so that you don’t miss out!

**ARL/Music Library Association Diversity and Inclusion Initiative Call for Applications**
The Association of Research Libraries (ARL) is now accepting applications for the ARL/Music Library Association (MLA) Diversity and Inclusion Initiative (ARL/MLA DII). It offers minority candidates an opportunity to pursue the master’s in library and information science degree while gaining valuable, “hands-on” experience in a large academic music library environment. The goal is to increase the number of underrepresented racial/ethnic minorities within academic music librarianship by providing support for the graduate education and the practical experience critical for successful entrance into the profession. The ARL/MLA DII Scholarship offers a generous compensation package for each program participant. Click [here](#) for more information.

**Society of American Archivists Scholarships**

**GERALD HAM SCHOLARSHIP**
Deadline: February 28, 2012
$7,500 in financial support to graduate students in their second year of archival studies at a United States university.

**MOSAIC SCHOLARSHIP**
Deadline: February 28, 2012
$5,000 in financial support to minority students pursuing graduate education in archival science. Must be citizen or permanent resident of the United States or Canada.

**JOSEPHINE FORMAN SCHOLARSHIP**
Deadline: February 28, 2012
$10,000 in financial support to minority students pursuing graduate education in archival science. Must be citizen or permanent resident of the United States.

**DONALD PETERSON STUDENT TRAVEL AWARD**
Deadline: February 28, 2012
$1,000 in support of registration, travel, and accommodation expenses to attend SAA Annual Meeting in San Diego in August 2012. Must be a SAA member who is currently enrolled in a North American archival education program or who graduated from an archival education program in the previous calendar year.

**HAROLD T. PINKETT MINORITY STUDENT AWARD**
Deadline: February 28, 2012
Complimentary registration and related expenses for hotel and travel to attend SAA Annual Meeting in San Diego in August 2012. For minority undergraduate and graduate students.
The Job Hunt

Internships at the Baseball Hall of Fame
The Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum is accepting applications for the Frank and Peggy Steele Internship Program for Youth Leadership Development. Steele Interns learn and work in the company of professionals who are dedicated to preserving the history of our National Pastime. Interns play an integral role in the execution of Hall of Fame Weekend, held annually in Cooperstown each summer. Steele Interns receive meaningful, hands-on training in numerous Museum departments. You can find more information and the application here.

Google Policy Fellows program
Deadline to apply February 3, 2012
For the summer of 2012, the selected fellow will spend 10 weeks in residence at the ALA Washington Office to learn about national policy and complete a major project. Google provides the stipend for the summer, but the work agenda is under the full control of ALA and the fellow. The Google Washington office provides an educational program for all of the fellows, such as lunchtime talks. The fellows work in diverse areas of information policy that include digital copyright, e-book licenses and access, future of reading, international copyright policy, broadband, net neutrality, open access to information, free expression, digital literacy, online privacy, the future of libraries generally, and many other topics.

Further information about the program and host organizations is available at the Google Public Policy Fellowship website.

Emory University Libraries Research Library Fellow program
Deadline: February 15, 2012
Emory University Libraries announces a new Librarian Fellows Program. We invite applications from graduates with master’s degrees in information studies or library/information science awarded between May 2011 and June 2012. Fellows will be appointed to two-year term positions with start dates that may occur between summer and early fall 2012.

LIS WIKI "HOWTO: Apply for a library job"
http://liswiki.org/wiki/HOWTO:Apply_for_a_library_job

Open Cover Letters
Wondering what your cover letter should look like? tired of looking at all those online templates? Check out Open Cover Letters, which is full of anonymous cover letters from hired librarians and archivists.

A Few Job Posting Sites

I need a library Job
LibGig
ALA JobList