Invitation to Friday's Preconference

As chair of ALA's Video Round Table, I'd like to extend to you an invitation to attend a very special preconference the VRT is hosting at American University on Friday afternoon of conference. You do not have to be a Video Round Table Member to attend. The event will be held at AU's Washington College of Law, in downtown WA DC.

Link to ALA's online registration:
http://www.ala.org/ala/eventsandconferencesb/annual/2007a/registration.htm#how

Please note: the code for preconference registration is: VR1

- For those who have not yet signed up for conference, please register for the preconference along with your conference registration.
- If you've already registered for conference, and would like to add the preconference, this same page will inform you how to "add events."

User Rights at Risk in Video and Film: Issues for Media Librarians

Friday, June 22, 2007, 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Offsite location: American University Washington College of Law, 4801 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, WA DC 20016, Room 603

Focuses on user rights under copyright law, including fair use and the right to use orphan works. Features a major new initiative on fair use, which created the "Documentary Filmmakers' Statement of Best Practices in Fair Use." Speakers include experts from filmmaking, legal, academic and practitioner communities. The preconference provides the latest information on orphan works, and explores how librarians' service to users and their own user rights are affected by current practices and trends. Our hosts and speakers:

Peter Jaszi, Professor of Law, Washington College of Law, American University, Faculty Director of the Glushko-Samuelson Intellectual Property Clinic

Peter Jaszi, along with WCL Professor Christine Haight Farley, co-founded the Glushko-Samuelson Intellectual Property Law Clinic. Professor Jaszi has taught many courses as WCL for over 25 years. As a classroom instructor, he specializes in domestic and international copyright law. An experienced copyright litigator and frequent speaker to professional audiences in the United States and abroad, he is widely recognized as an advocate for the public interest in intellectual property law.

Pat Aufderheide, Professor, School of Communication, American Univ., Executive Director, Center for Social Media:

Center director Patricia Aufderheide is a professor in the School of Communication at American University in Washington, D.C., and the director of the Center for Social Media there. She has been a Fulbright and John Simon Guggenheim fellow and has served as a juror at the Sundance Film Festival among others. Aufderheide is a prolific cultural journalist, policy analyst, and editor on media and society and has received numerous journalism and scholarly awards, including a career achievement award in 2006 from the International Documentary Association.

Tickets: Advance: VRT Member: $50; ALA Member: $75; Non-Member: $125; Student/Retired Member: $35. Onsite: VRT Member: $55; ALA Member: $80; Non- Member: $150; Student/Retired Member: $40.

Looking forward to meeting with you at conference, Lisbeth Goldberg, Chair, ALA, VRT