

01. Proposal to standardize award committees so that all positions are appointed

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ARTICLE VIII Nominations and Elections Sec. 1

Prior to the Midwinter Meeting, the President-Elect shall appoint ~~two~~ ***one*** Nominating Committees of five. ~~One committee~~ ***which*** will be responsible for preparing a slate of candidates who will run for YALSA Board positions and ~~the other committee will be responsible for preparing a slate of candidates who will run for YALSA Award Committee positions.~~ One member of ~~each~~ the committee will have served on a recent Nominating Committee. The Immediate Past President will be the only appointee on the governance committee who is a current member of the Board. ~~Each~~ The committee will arrange for a list of nominated candidates to be submitted by August 31st. At the Midwinter Meeting the Nominating Committees will be announced to the Board. The Governance Nominating Committee shall present to the Board the names of at least one candidate for President-elect, at least one candidate for each expiring Board of directors-at-large position, and at least one candidate for each expiring Division Councilor, Fiscal Officer and Secretary position. ~~The Award Nominating Committee shall present to the Board the names of at least three candidates for the Margaret A. Edwards Award Committee, at least four candidates for the Michael L. Printz Award Committee and at least four candidates for the Nonfiction Award Committee.~~ ~~6~~ Between October and February each year the Nominating Committees shall report their nominations in an issue of YALSA's e-newsletter, the YALSA website, and appropriate electronic lists.

Article VIII, Sec. 11

~~The three candidates nominated for the Margaret A. Edwards Author Award Committee who receive the highest number of votes shall be elected to a single term that commences the calendar year immediately following the election year.~~

Article VIII, Sec. 12

~~The four candidates nominated for the Michael L. Printz Award Committee who receive the highest number of votes shall be elected to a single term that commences the calendar year~~

Article VII, Sec 14

~~The four candidates nominated for the Excellence in Non-fiction Award Committee who receive the highest number of votes shall be elected to a single term that commences the calendar year immediately following the election year.~~

Rationale:

- The current structure of having some appointed and some elected positions on half of the award committees is confusing to members, especially because the timelines for appointment are different from the election
- This change levels the playing field for members, as it creates just one path to the award committees. Each member would go through the same appointments process at the same time
- Making the change so that all award committee positions are appointed, not elected, creates efficiencies for the President-Elect, members, and staff, because it eliminates the need to go through the entire process of developing a slate, vetting potential candidates, supporting candidates, etc. This change would eliminate the need for an Awards Nominating Committee as well as the second round of appointments that now happens after the election is over
- This change would cut down on eligibility issues, because oftentimes members put their name forward both through the nominating committee process and via the Committee Volunteer form. In the past, the nominating committee has not always known what other award committees the candidate may have signed up for

02. Proposal to expand the focus of the Governance Nominating Committee

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Board Development Committee whose responsibilities include preparing a slate of candidates who will run for YALSA Board positions. All committee members should have governance experience, including the chair. At least one member will have served on a recent Board Development Committee, and no more than three committee members may be current members of the Board.

By August 31st of each year, the Governance Nominating Board Development
 Committee shall present to the Board the names of at least one candidate for President-elect, at least one candidate for each expiring Board of directors-at-large position, and at least one candidate for each expiring Division Councilor, Fiscal Officer and Secretary position.

Rationale

- The effort to reframe the work of the Executive Committee so that they are focused on ALA relations and fiscal oversight means that they will no longer be responsible for board training and assessment, which means this important work must be accomplished in some other way.
- There is no formal process in place to cultivate leaders within the association. By expanding the Governance Nominating Committee into a Board Development Committee, they will take on this role, which will create a pipeline of potential leaders for the Committee to consider for the slate.
- The nature of the current work of the Nominating Committee is such that they do not have responsibilities year-round, so expanding their role is achievable and will provide them with year-round tasks to complete.

03. Crystle Martin

Current Position:

Postdoctoral Researcher

Institution/Organization:

University of California

City:

Irvine

State:

CA

Degrees and Certificates:

University of Wisconsin–Madison, Ph.D. Education, 2012; Wayne State University, MLIS, 2007; Michigan State University, BA Latin, 2004; Michigan State University, BA English, 2003

Division Affiliation(s)

YALSA

To which Round Tables do you belong?

Games & Gaming (GAMERT) Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table (GLBTRT)

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA), Secretary; Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA), Director-at-Large; Member Manager, YALSAblog; YALS editor

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations (include DATES)

AERA (American Education Research Association) Media, Culture, and Learning SIG Secretary/Treasurer; AERA (American Education Research Association) Media, Culture, and Learning SIG President; Games+Learning+Society (GLS) Conference Co-Chair

Honors and Awards (library and non-library, including DATES)

YALSA writing awards; Causality: School Libraries and Student Success; IMLS Grant to study coding in libraries

Major Accomplishments

For the last six years, I have studied teen learning in interest spaces, with a focus on teens learning in libraries. I have published and presented frequently on the subject.

Publication(s)

Martin, C. (2017). Computational thinking, digital literacies, and diverse youth in libraries. Knowledge Quest Special Issue.

Martin, C. & Martinez, R. (2016). Games in classroom and practice in Library and Information Science Education. *On the Horizon*, 24(1), 82-87.

Martin, C. (2015). Connected learning, libraries, and connecting youth interest. *Journal of Research on Young Adults and Libraries*. <http://www.yalsa.ala.org/jrlya/2015/03/connected-learning-librarians-and-connecting-youth-interest/>

Links to further information:

www.crystlemartin.com

Statement of Professional Concerns/Aspirations if Elected:

In this position, I intend to further the mission of YALSA, supporting teens learning in libraries. I am passionate about transforming teens services to best serve youth, focusing on creating library environments that support learning, exploration, and the future of teens. I have extensive leadership experience; I prioritize supporting teens, their interests, and their pursuits through my research and my service; and I am eager to develop a system that supports teen learning in libraries.

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

4

04. WRITE-IN CANDIDATE

05. Clara Nalli Bohrer

Current Position:

Director,

Institution/Organization:

West Bloomfield Township Public Library

City:

West Bloomfield

State:

MI

Type of Library: Public

Previous Position(s)

Director, Brighton Public Library (MI), 1990-91

Branch Manager, Farmington Community Library (MI), 1984-90

Head of Youth Services, Farmington Community Library (MI), 1982-84

Degrees and Certificates:

University of Michigan, MA Education, 1984; Wayne State University, MLS, 1976; University of Michigan, BA Education, 1973

Division Affiliation(s)

AASL, ALSC. UNITED, LLAMA, PLA, YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

ALA Committee on Legislation, Member 2014-18

ALA Conference Committee, Chair 2015-17

ALA Budget and Analysis Review Committee, Chair 2011-13; Member 2009-11

ALA Finance and Audit Committee, Member 2011-13

ALA Auditor Interview/Selection Review Team, Member 2012

ALA Planning and Budget Assembly, Member 2011-17 and 2005-08

ALA Gale Cengage Learning Financial Development Award Jury, Member 2015-16

ALA Sullivan Award Jury, 2009-10

ALA Public Awareness Committee, Member 2005-08

ALA Nominating Committee, Member 2000-01

ALA Grolier Award Jury, Member 2000-01

PLA President, 2004-05

PLA Budget and Finance Committee, Chair 2014-17 and 2005-08; Member 2009-14 and 2003-05

PLA Family Engagement Task Force, Co-Chair 2015-17

PLA/ALSC Every Child Ready To Read Oversight Committee, Member 2011-13

PLA Public Libraries Advisory Committee, Member 2008-13

PLA/ALSC Every Child Ready to Read Evaluation Task Force, Chair 2007-11

PLA Board of Directors, Member 2003-06 and 2000-02

PLA 2004 National Conference (Seattle) Committee, Chair

PLA Partners Committee, Member 2000-02; Chair 1998-99

PLA 1996 National Conference Program Committee, Chair

PLA Publications Committee, Member 1991-95

PLA/ALSC Committee on Output Measures for Children's Services, Co-Chair 1987-92

PLA Service to Children Committee, Chair 1984-88

ALSC Board of Directors, Member 1997-00

ALSC Priority Group II Leader-Professional Development, 1989-92

ALSC Liaison to International Reading Association, 1983-88

ALSC 1986 Newbery Award Committee

ALSC 1982 Caldecott Award Committee

ALSC Liaison with National Organizations Serving the Child Committee, Member 1981-84

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations (include DATES)

Oakland County (MI) Law Library Board, Member 2011-present

Michigan Library Association Member, Legislative Committee, 2013-present

Michigan Library Association, Member, Annual Conference Program Committee, 2008-09

Michigan Library Association, Chair, Statewide Children and Youth Summit, 1996-97

Michigan Library Association, Chair, Annual Conference, 1991-92
 Michigan Library Association, President, 1988-89
 Michigan Library Association Board of Directors, 1986-89 and 1982-83
 Michigan Library Association, Member, Headquarters and Finance Committee, 1986-90
 Michigan Library Association, Chair, Children's Services Caucus Board, 1982-83
 Michigan Library Association, Member, Children's Services Caucus Board, 1981-84

Metro Net Library Consortium, Chair, 2009-11 (permanent seat on Board)

Library of Michigan, Member, Statewide Library Card Committee, 2001-03

West Bloomfield (MI) Optimist Club, President, 2003-04
 West Bloomfield (MI) Chamber of Commerce, President, 1998
 West Bloomfield (MI) Chamber of Commerce, Treasurer, 2011-present

Honors and Awards (library and non-library)

2009 American Library Association Sullivan Award for Public Library Administrator Supporting Children's Services
 2003 Seymour Gretchko Youth Advocate Award---Greater West Bloomfield (MI) Community Award--First Recipient

Major Accomplishments

Highlight from within ALA: Our Association provides incredible opportunities to put into practice what we value. I had the opportunity to work collaboratively with colleagues across two divisions to change practice in public libraries around early literacy through the development of Every Child Read to Read, a research-based parent education outreach initiative. I chaired the task force from 2007-11 during which time an impact on library practice evaluation occurred and the second edition was developed and published. I am proud that this work continues to empower parents and benefit very young children across the country.

Highlight from within my work life: The West Bloomfield Township Public Library was awarded the 2010 National Medal for Library Service by the Institute for Museum and Library Services recognizing a talented team of staff, trustees, friends, partners and advocates for their efforts around early literacy, workforce development and community engagement. In the same year during the recession, a WBTPPL referendum was passed by an 85% yes vote which retained and increased our operating millage levy.

Publication(s):

Co-Author: "An Outline for Learning," American Libraries (digital supplement), Spring, 2009.

Statement of Professional Concerns/Aspirations if Elected:

I am honored to be standing for election. I view the position as providing oversight to ensure YALSA's strong financial health. I am committed to:
 --Building, maximizing and aligning financial resources in support of YALSA's mission and established priorities, strategies and activities as identified in the organizational plan
 --Sound fiscal practices and policies, transparency and accountability

- Working collaboratively with YALSA leaders on accomplishing the work of the division
- Working collaboratively with my counterparts across other divisions, as well as with ALA leaders on financial issues
- Being an effective spokesperson on financial practices and issues within our division and throughout ALA on behalf of our division

I have significant financial experience in both my professional experience and within ALA to bring to the position. I have been a long-time advocate for youth throughout my career. I will bring experience and expertise, passion and integrity and an unwavering dedication to YALSA's mission.

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

39

06. WRITE-IN CANDIDATE

07. Franklin L. Escobedo

Current Position:

Principal Librarian

Organization/Institution:

Coronado Public Library

City:

Coronado

State:

CA

Type of Library: Public

Previous Position(s)

Principal Librarian, Oceanside Public Library, 2009-2014

Young Adult Services Librarian, Oceanside Public Library, 2007-2009

Degrees and Certificates:

MLIS, San Jose State University, 2007; BA Literatures of the World, University of California, San Diego 2001; BA Visual Arts, University of California, San Diego 2001

Division Affiliation(s)

LLAMA, YALSA

To which Round Tables do you belong?

Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table (GLBTRT)

To which Ethnic Affiliates do you belong?

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Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

YALSA Board of Directors, 2016-2017

2017 YALSA Awards Nominating Committee, 2016-2017

YALSA 2016 Printz Award Committee, 2015-2016

YALSA Financial Advancement Committee, 2013-2015

Outstanding Book for College Bound, 2013-2014

Greenwood Outstanding Achievement Award Jury, 2013-2014

YALSA President's Advisory Taskforce 2011-2013

YALSA Lit Symposium Taskforce, 2012-2013

2012 YALSA Nominating Committee, 2010-2011

YALSA President's Program Planning Committee 2009

Popular Paperbacks for Young Adults, 2009-2012

GLBT-RT Liaison to YALSA 2009-2012

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations)

Chair, Serra Cooperative Library System, Youth Services Committee 2006-2007

Honors and Awards (library and non-library (If none, please enter the word "None"))

None

Major Accomplishments

One of my major accomplishments happened while I was working for the Oceanside Public Library. I revitalized the Teen Partners Program (teen volunteer program), by encouraging more teens to join but also getting more members of the library staff to welcome the teen volunteers into their departments. I started with a three volunteers in 2007, when I left in 2014, we had over a hundred active teen volunteers at our Libraries and bookmobiles. Encouraging the staff to welcome the teens and to get them to see the library's from a teen's perspective, helped change the overall environment for the teens who used the library.

Statement of Professional Concerns/Aspirations if Elected:

YALSA is on the cusp of a great change, change that has been in the works for quite awhile. As the Liaison from the GLBT-RT to YALSA, I had a unique opportunity to observe the YALSA Board over the past few years as some of these changes were first recommended. I am currently serving a one year term on the Board and have just begun to help with the implementation of the new organizational plan. I hope to continue the work I've started. I have a passion for YALSA and our commitment to put teens first.

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

10

08. WRITE-IN CANDIDATE

09. Jane Gov

Current Position:

Youth Services Librarian,

Organization/Institution:

Pasadena Public Library

City:

Pasadena

State:

CA

Type of Library: Public

Previous Position(s)

Support Services Supervisor, Beverly Hills Public Library, 2012-2013

Library Assistant, Crowell Public Library, 2009-2013

Degrees and Certificates:

San Jose State University, MLIS, 2010; California State University Long Beach, BA English, 2009

Division Affiliation(s)

YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

YALSA Board of Directors, Ex-Officio Member, 2015-2017; Chair,
YALSA Financial Advancement Committee, 2015-2017; Convener,
YALSA Los Angeles Area Interest Group, 2016-present; Chair,
YALSA YA Services Symposium Marketing and Planning Task Force, 2014-2015;
Scholastic Student Writing Award Judge, 2013-2014;
ALCTS Leadership Development Committee, 2012-2014;
YALSA Local Arrangements Committee, ALA Annual Anaheim, 2012; Chair,

YALSA WrestleMania Reading Challenge Jury, 2012-2013;
 YALSA WrestleMania Reading Challenge Jury, 2011-2012;
 NMRT Endnotes Committee, 2010-2011

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations (If none, please enter the word “None”)

None

Honors and Awards (library and non-library (If none, please enter the word “None”)

None

Major Accomplishments

My work to improve meaningful experiences and services for teens is one of the accomplishments I am most passionate about. Besides contributing to YALSA’s new organizational plan, I’m proud of my accomplishments with the teens at my library. Since assuming the role of teen librarian about three years ago, I’ve significantly revamped our volunteer program and community partnerships. This year, with my Teen Advisory Board, we’ve started a Mental Health Initiative--dedicating an area as a resource center and bringing more awareness and training to our community. Additionally, most of our achievements are shared in our bi-annual Teen Zine, a magazine I created that features teen writing, articles, book lists, reviews, photos, interviews, and art by or about teens in our community. Another accomplishment I’m proud of was launching an annual teen book festival at my library. It’s the first of its kind in my city. The book festival brought teens closer to authors and gave teens and young adults opportunities to interview, review, and chat with authors and publishers.

Publication(s)

Gov. J. (2016). “Revenge of the Librarian: A Teen-Directed Murder Mystery Lock-In.” *Voice of Youth Advocates*, 39(4), 26-29.

Gov, J. (2016). “Maximize Teen Engagement With Highly Skilled Teen Volunteers.” In C. Smallwood & L. Sanborn (Eds.), *Library Volunteers Welcome!: Strategies for Attracting, Retaining and Making the Most of Willing Helpers*. Jefferson, NC: McFarland & Company.

Gov, J. (2016). “Teen Zine: Engaging Teen Patrons with Publishing.” *Strategic Library*.

Links to further information:

Pasadena Public Library Teens Blog: <http://pasadena-library.net/teens>

Statement of Professional Concerns/Aspirations if Elected:

YALSA has supported me in my efforts to serving young adults to the best of my ability and in my development as a leader in both the organization and my work. YALSA provides services to library staff and advocates, but there’s more the board and members can do to drive the mission and vision. As libraries face cuts, library staff are working with less and less resources. Yet the needs of teens and young adults remain great. As the achievement gap grows, young adults are going into adulthood without sufficient self-discoveries, life skills, or career/college readiness. As a responsible community leader, it’s our job to help alleviate their uneasiness, close the

achievement gap, and prepare them as much as possible. I truly believe in YALSA's mission and that the support, resources, and services provided are crucial for library staff; I would be valuable in driving that mission.

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

6

10. Kathy Ishizuka

Current Position:

Executive Editor,

Institution/Organization:

School Library Journal

City:

New York

State:

NY

Other:

Publication

Previous Position(s)

Executive Editor, Technology & Digital Projects, School Library Journal, 2011 - 2012

Technology Editor, School Library Journal, 2004-2011

Degrees and Certificates:

Executive Leadership Program, Asian American Journalists Association, 2013; New York University, BFA 1982

Division Affiliation(s)

AASL, ALSC, YALSA

To which Round Tables do you belong?

Ethnic & Multicultural Information Exchange RT (EMIERT)

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

Freedom to Read Foundation Board, 2014 - present

Advisory Board member, YALSA's National Forum on Libraries & Teens, 2012

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations

Member, Strategic Planning Committee, All Souls, New York

Honors and Awards (library and non-library (If none, please enter the word "None"))

None

Major Accomplishments

Maker Workshop / June 2015 - March 2016

Developed successful professional learning course; coordinated participation of ed-tech firms, leading to sponsorship; fourth installment set for January 2017.

We Need Diverse Books partnership

Led partnership to produce a WNDB kit for booksellers, librarians, teachers in Oct 2014. SLJ reviews will appear on WNDB's app in Jan 2017.

The Maker Issue May 2015 / The Diversity Issue May 2014

Spearheaded these dedicated issues on timely topics, from conception to editorial strategy; led execution from print to online.

SLJ Awards program/ September 2014 - present

Conceived annual awards, School Librarian of the Year and Build Something Bold, administering programs, working with sponsors on marketing and advertising.

Publication(s)

Top 10 Tech | 2016 | School Library Journal <http://ow.ly/ANy33080rHX>

Robots, Early Learning on the Rise: What's Trending in Kids' Books | School Library Journal <http://ow.ly/zUu23080rGQ>

Lack of Diversity at Events? What We Can Do, Right Now | Kathy Ishizuka | Pulse | LinkedIn <http://ow.ly/YtHM3080smX>

Links to further information:

www.slj.com

www.linkedin.com/in/kathyishizuka

Statement of Professional Concerns/Aspirations if Elected:

Addressing the unique needs of teens and supporting the work of library staff and educators who serve young adults—no work could be more important. As Executive Editor of School Library Journal (SLJ), I have both the opportunity and a responsibility to help advance this effort, so I'm pleased to stand for the YALSA board. In addition to technology, my longtime beat, I've engaged college and life readiness, summer learning and other related topics at SLJ. I spearheaded the magazine's first dedicated issue on teens (2015), and signed to our network the "Teen Librarian Toolbox" blog, which has taken a lead on addressing some of the most pressing social issues involving young adults. Social justice, including equitable access to learning opportunities and out-of-school support are of particular interest to me personally. I look forward to advancing the work of YALSA, in this role and in my ongoing work in the library community.

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

3

11. Derek, Ivie

Current Position:

Youth Services Coordinator,

Institution/Organization:

Suffolk Cooperative Library System

City:

Bellport

State:

NY

Type of Library: System

Previous Position (s)

Youth Services Librarian, Suffolk Cooperative Library System, 2014-2015

Librarian Specializing in Young Adult Services, The New York Public Library, 2012-2013

Young Adult Programming Assistant, The New York Public Library, 2011-2012

Degrees and Certificates:

Queens College, Master of Library Science, 2011; Baruch College, BA in Creative Writing/Journalism, 2007

Division Affiliation(s)

ALSC, YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities (If none, please enter the word "None")

None

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations (If none, please enter the word "None")

None

Honors and Awards (library and non-library (If none, please enter the word “None”))

None

Major Accomplishments

Before arriving in Suffolk County I worked at the New York Public Library as an intern, page, and a programming assistant in teen public programming. After graduating I worked with the public at two branches. Throughout all of these experiences I was afforded the opportunity to work with different patrons all over Manhattan, Staten Island, and the Bronx. Now in my current position as the system's Youth Services Coordinator I am able to concentrate on trends in the STEAM and Maker movements as well as provide workshops in other growing areas of librarianship.

Other major accomplishments I have had in my career are due to my participation in YALSA. In 2013 I was a member on the Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers committee and was the chair the following year. In 2015 I was able to serve on the 2016 Michael L. Printz Award Committee.

At the end of January 2017 I will be closing out my year serving on the Walter Dean Meyers Book Award through the We Need Diverse Books Campaign.

Links to further information:

Twitter: @thebeardedbook

Statement of Professional Concerns/Aspirations if Elected:

The library can be a safe space for teens who are facing difficult issues in their lives - a place where they are accepted without judgement and where their voices have value. As a teen who was part of the LGBTQ community this is something I was always searching for. As an adult I have found my place in libraries and know that YALSA can offer more services and programs that will help librarians include all. In places where those who are different may feel unsafe we can offer them a place in our buildings to learn and grow. Teens who are part of the life of the library today will make the library a part of their lives in the future. If they can find acceptance now they can share this notion later.

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

7

12. Jess Snow**Current Position:**

Teen Services Team Leader, Central Library,

Institution/Organization

Boston Public Library

City:

Boston

State:

MA

Type of Library: Public

Previous Position(s)

Teen Services Team Leader, Central Library 2015-Present

Youth Services Coordinator, Boston Public Library 2011-2015

Teen Librarian, Boston Public Library 2008-2011

Degrees and Certificates:

University of California, Los Angeles, MLIS 2001; California State University, Fullerton, B.A. Art History, 1997

Division Affiliation(s)

YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

YALSA Teen Programming HQ Member Manager 2015-Present,
YALSA Blog blogger 2015-Present,
YALSA President's Program Taskforce 2014-2015,
YALSA Alex Award Committee Member 2010-2011

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations (If none, please enter the word "None")

None

Honors and Awards (library and non-library (If none, please enter the word "None"))

None

Major Accomplishments

I was a member of the design team for the renovation of the Boston Public Library redesign and renovation for Teen Central 2013-2015. I recently finished service on two advisory boards; the New England Aquarium "Communities Connecting to the Oceans: Early Learning in Out of School Time" to identify active and participatory science programs for children in grades K-3 and the U.S.S. Constitution Museum's "Engage Families: Intergenerational Programs in Libraries and Museums" project which serves to guide the project and redirect if necessary. These are both IMLS grants with a 3 year period of serving 2013-2016. I created, developed and implemented a partnership beginning in 2010 between the Boston Public Library and the Department of Youth Services (DYS serves teens ages 12-19 in the juvenile justice system). This partnership serves over 100 teens in DHS each month by providing books that focus on recreational needs and a library card registration.

Publication(s)

Snow, Jessica. Anthony Bernier and Catherine Halpin. VOYA (Voice of Youth Advocate) "YA Spaces of Your Dreams, "Teen Central of the Boston Public Library", October 2016

Snow, Jessi. YALS (Young Adult Library Services) "What is YALSA's Teen Programming HQ?" Winter, 2016

Snow, Jessica. "Library Service to Foster Teens." YALS (Young Adult Library Services) Fall 2009.

Statement of Professional Concerns/Aspirations if Elected:

I believe YALSA provides services, resources, and a strong network of members that work with and for teens. I also believe YALSA can better position itself to provide more value to its members and I want to be a part of that. By doing this, YALSA would do more active recruiting, mentoring and building its membership by promoting the division within. As a member of YALSA's Board I plan to work with and advocate for teens, LIS students, new librarians, paraprofessionals and those that are interested in and dedicated to providing thoughtful and superior services to teens inside the walls of the library as well as outside the walls of the library.

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

15

13. Anne Marie Dame**Current Position:**

Teacher-Librarian

Institution/Organization:

Einstein Middle School

City:

Shoreline,

State:

WA

Type of Library: School

Previous Position(s)

Teacher-Librarian, Eckstein Middle School, Seattle, Washington, 2009-2011

Library Assistant, Seattle Public Library, Seattle, Washington, 2007-2011

Degrees and Certificates:

University of Washington, MLIS, 2009; Calvin College, BA Education, 1991

Division Affiliation(s)

YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities (If none, please enter the word "None")

None

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations

WASHYARG (Washington Young Adult Review Group), Treasurer, 2015-present.

Puget Sound Council for the Review of Children's and Young Adult Materials, Book Committee, 2010-present.

iYouth, Co-President, 2008-2009.

Honors and Awards (library and non-library (If none, please enter the word "None"))

None

Major Accomplishments

Co-founder and co-president of iYouth, an organization for students in the University of Washington's MLIS program who are interested in youth librarian services (school and public). 2008.

Organized and hosted the first iYouth conference at the University of Washington for MLIS students and library professionals, with Nancy Pearl as the key note speaker. This conference has continued to be held for the past 7 years. 2009.

Presented at the WLA (Washington Library Association) conference, 2012.

I am currently #58 in the top US reviewers on GoodReads.com; #81 globally.

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

9

14. Heather Marie Dickerson

Current Position:

Teen Services Librarian

Institution/Organization:

Lewis & Clark Library

City:

Helena

State:

MT

Type of Library: Public

Previous Position(s)

Adjunct Instructor - Carroll College. Presently teaching.

Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh - Allegheny Branch. March - August 2012.

Degrees and Certificates:

University of Pittsburgh, MLIS, 2012; State University of New York, College at Buffalo, BS in Art Education, 2006.

Division Affiliation(s)

PLA, YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

ALA Division Offices: YALSA, Chair, Legislation Committee, 2016-Present

YALSA Legislation Committee member, 2014-2016

YALSA Award Nominating Committee, member, 2016

YALSA Award/Selection Task Force, member, 2014

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations

Montana Library Association, Chair, Children and YA Interest Group, 2014-Present.

Collaborative Summer Reading Program, Teen Manual Committee, 2016-Present.

Honors and Awards (library and non-library (If none, please enter the word "None"))

None

Major Accomplishments

Coordinated "Libraries Matter: This is my story" postcard campaign for display at Montana Library Association's Legislative Night in 2017. Legislators enjoyed interacting with constituent stories and experiencing the impact libraries have on communities. Also coordinated Teen Advisory Group presence at Legislative events in 2015 and 2017 to demonstrate the power of programming, especially making, in libraries.

Created Teen Writer's Camp, a combined sleepaway camp/library program in partnership with the Helena Family YMCA in Summer 2013. 2017 will be the 5th anniversary of the program.

Received ALA's Will Eisner Innovation Grant for Libraries in 2014.

Participant in ALA's Great Stories Club in 2015 and 2016.

Co-creator and facilitator of Lewis & Clark Library's "Coffee Klatch," an informal staff development series.

Publication(s)

Heather Dickerson: "Reading for the Fun of It," Youth Connections Magazine, March 2013.

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

5

15. Christina Dorr, Ph.D.

Current Position:

Media Specialist/ Adjunct Faculty, Hilliard City School District

Institution/Organization:

Kent State University

City:

Columbus

State:

OH

Type of Library: School, Library Educator

Previous Position(s)

Media Specialist, Whitehall City Schools, 1998-99

Media Specialist, Indian River Central Schools, 1990-98

Degrees and Certificates:

The Ohio State University, Ph.D., Education, School of Teaching & Learning, 2004; University of New York at Albany, Master of Library Science, School Library Media, 1991; Excelsior College, BA, Liberal Arts, 1988;

Jefferson Community College, AA, Liberal Arts, 1985.

Division Affiliation(s)

AASL, ALSC, YALSA

To which Round Tables do you belong?

Ethnic & Multicultural Information Exchange RT (EMIERT) Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table (GLBTRT) Intellectual Freedom Round Table (IFRT) Social

Responsibilities Round Table (SRRT)

To which Ethnic Affiliates do you belong?

REFORMA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

GLBTRT 2017 & 2018 (Chair) Youth Stonewall Committee

YALSA 2016 Teen Top Ten Committee

EMIERT 2015 & 2016 Coretta Scott King Award Jury

IFRT 2016 Oboler Award Committee

ALSC 2014 Theodor Seuss Geisel Award Committee Member

ALSC 2006 & 2007 Notable Children's Books Committee Member

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations

2016, 2014, 2012 Norman A. Sugarman Children's Biography Award Committee (Cleveland Public Library)

2015-16 Ohio Educational Library Media Association Awards & Scholarships Co-Chair

2015-16 Choose to Read Ohio, State Library of Ohio

2013-14 Ohio Educational Library Media Association Central Region Co-Chair

2008-2013 Buckeye Children's & Teen Book Award Committee (Joint Committee of several Ohio organizations)

1995-1998 Knickerbocker Award for Juvenile Literature Committee (New York Library Association)

Honors and Awards (library and non-library)

2016 Children and Public Education Award, OEA.

2014 Leadership in Action Award, OELMA.

2010 Bechtel Fellowship, ALSC.

2008-2014 MESSENGER Educator Fellow, NASA.

2007 & 2009 Educator of Excellence, Hilliard High School Alumni Association.

2006 AASL, National School Library Media Program of the Year, District Award Winners.

2005 Floyd C. & Stella T. Dickman Mazza Institute Librarians Endowment winner.

2005 Chancellor's List, inclusion of academic biography.

2003-2006 Phi Kappa Phi, The Ohio State University Chapter.

1996 New York Library Association's School Library Media Section's Dewey Fellow Award.

1989 Finalist, New York Library Association's Lake Placid Scholarship.

1983-1985 Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, Jefferson Community College.

Major Accomplishments

Currently co-writing a monograph for ALA Publications, publication 2017, topic GLBTQIA+ titles for all children

Numerous articles and book reviews on children's & young adult literature and curriculum for Children & Libraries, School Library Journal, Book Links, Library Media Connection, School Library Monthly, Bookbird

Adjunct University Instructor on children's & young adult literature for several universities, including The Ohio State University & Kent State University

Presenter on children's & young adult literature for many local, state, and national organizations & conferences, including The National Reading Recovery & K-6 Literacy Conference

Publication(s)

Deskins, L. & Dorr, C. (2015). Linking Picture Book Biographies to National Content Standards: 200+ Lives to Explore. Libraries Unlimited.

Dorr, C. (2016). "Obviously, a Major Malfunction?: The Legacy of Lost Space Heroes and What It Can Teach Today's Students." School Library Connection. February, 2016.

Dorr, C. (2016). "Popular: an Interview with Author Maya Van Wagenen." School Library Connection. June, 2016. <http://slc.librariesunlimited.com>

Links to further information:

Teaching with Heroes (book homepage): <http://www.teachingwithheroes.net/>

Contributor to Horn Book's Lolly's Classroom Blog: <http://www.hbook.com/2014/02/blogs/lollys-classroom/welcome-classroom/>

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

18

16. René C. Lyons**Current Position:**

Assistant Professor

Institution/Organization:

East Tennessee State University,

City:

Johnson City

State:

TN

Other:

University School Library Program

Previous Position(s)

Instructional Librarian, Caldwell Community College, Hudson, NC -- 2006-2012

School Librarian, Wilkes County Schools, Wilkesboro, NC -- 1999-2006

Law Librarian, North Wilkesboro, NC -- 1987-1999

Degrees and Certificates:

Vermont College of Fine Arts, MFA in Children's and Young Adult Literature, 2007; Appalachian State University, M.L.S., 1998; Appalachian State University, B.A. 1983

Division Affiliation(s)

AASL, ALSC, YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No**Were/are you an Emerging Leader?** No**ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities**

YALSA Alex Award Committee, 2016; YALSA Writing Jury Award, 2015.

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations

Advisory Board Member and Consultant - National Children's Book Literacy Alliance - 2012-present

Honors and Awards (library and non-library)

The Presidential Service Center Distinguished Service Award

Major Review in Public Library Quarterly for "Teaching Civics in the Library."

Major Accomplishments

I am happy to say I currently teach Young Adult Literature (non-fiction and fiction) to future school librarians in my role as Assistant Professor at East Tennessee State University. I also eagerly served on YALSA's Alex Award Committee, as well as the Writing Jury Award, which honors the best writing found in YALSA publications, including the YALSA blog. My degrees include an M.L.S. from Appalachian State University, but also a M.F.A. in Writing for Children and Young Adults from Vermont School of Fine Arts. My thesis and oral presentation for the later degree specifically considered the qualities of exemplary non-fiction for youth, and is entitled: "Mix Ingredients and Blend Well: A Recipe for Non-Fiction Children's and Young Adult Literature." I have also published scholarly articles highlighting the Alex and Batchelder Awards, along with three non-fiction books of my own: Teaching Civics in the Library (2015); Foreign-Born American Patriots (2013); and The Revival of Banned Dances (2012). I also serve

as writer and consultant for the National Children's Book Literacy Alliance.

Publication (s)

Lyons, Renee' Critcher. Teaching Civics in the Library. McFarland Publishing, Inc. 2015.

Lyons, Renee' C. "Caution: Adult Reading Ahead! Steering Teens toward Higher Level Reading (and Living) with Alex Award Winners." Young Adult Library Services: Volume 13, Number 4, 2015.

Lyons, Renee' Critcher "A Rationale for Public Library Civics Instruction." Public Library Quarterly, Volume 35, Number 3, 2016.

Links to further information:

My faculty website, which includes complete biographical and bibliographic listings, may be found at: <http://faculty.etsu.edu/lyonsrc/default.aspx>

My Google Scholar citations may be found at: <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=s1NmgsMAAAAJ&hl=3n>

One of my non-fiction articles for the National Children's Book Literacy Alliance may be found at: <http://www.ourwhitehouse.org/the-white-house-library-a-twice-told-tale>

Other non-fiction articles may be found at: <http://www.ourwhitehouse.org>

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

6

17. Sara Ortiz

Current Position:

Communications & Marketing Specialist / Book Reviewer,

Institution/Organization:

Texas Library Association / Kirkus Reviews,

City:

Austin

State:

TX

Other:

State Library Association

Previous Position (s)

Book Review, Kirkus Reviews, 2015 - present

School & Library Marketing Manager, Scholastic, 2014 - 2015

School & Library Assistant Manager, Penguin Random House, 2012 - 2014

Degrees and Certificates:

Columbia University, Columbia Publishing Course, 2010; St. Edward's University, BA English Writing & Rhetoric, Creative Writing, 2009.

Division Affiliation(s)

YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities (If none, please enter the word "None")

None

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations

Texas Library Association, Staff Liaison/Ex-officio, PR & Marketing Committee, 2015 - present;
 Texas Library Association, Staff Liaison/Ex-officio, Local Arrangements Social Media Subcommittee, 2015 - present;
 Texas Library Association, Staff Liaison/Ex-officio, Programming Social Media Subcommittee, 2015 - present;
 Texas Library Association, Ex-officio, Strategic Planning Committee (2015-2016);
 Association of American Publishers, Children's Library Marketing Committee (2011-2015).

Honors and Awards (library and non-library)

Columbia Journalism School Scholarship Award (2010); Austin Singers Scholarship (2004-2007).

Major Accomplishments

I am the communications and marketing specialist for the Texas Library Association and assistant editor of the Texas Library Journal. In my short tenure at TLA, I have helped shepherd the launch and direction of the Powered Libraries (poweredlibraries.org) initiative, a campaign raising public awareness of Texas libraries. I review children's, middle grade, and YA books for Kirkus Reviews, and before moving back to Austin, I worked in New York for some of the largest children's book publishers, including Scholastic, Penguin Random House, and Disney-Hyperion. As a literacy advocate, I have hosted and organized over 400 literary events over the span of nine years and in two states. In my spare time, I sing with eight-time Grammy nominated choral ensemble Conspirare.

Publication(s)

Ortiz, Sara: "In-Conversation with Andrea Davis Pinkney," Texas Library Journal, Volume 91, Number 2, 2015.

Ortiz, Sara: “Francisco Goldman: an interview conducted by Sara Ortiz,” Bodega Magazine, Issue 11, 2013.

Ortiz, Sara: “INTERVIEW: Justin Torres, author of ‘We the Animals’” Electric Literature, 2011.

Links to further information:

Ortiz, Sara: “Interview with LeVar Burton,” Texas Library Journal, Volume 92, Number 2, 2016. <http://www.txla.org/sites/tla/files/TLJ/TLJ92-2.pdf>

Ortiz, Sara: “In-Conversation with Stephanie Anderson,” Texas Library Journal, Volume 91, Number 3, 2015. <http://www.txla.org/sites/tla/files/TLJ/TLJ91-3.pdf>

Ortiz, Sara: “Children’s Book Diversity Summit,” Texas Library Journal, Volume 91, Number 2, 2015. <http://www.txla.org/sites/tla/files/TLJ/TLJ91-2.pdf>

Ortiz, Sara: “In-Conversation with Andrea Davis Pinkney,” Texas Library Journal, Volume 91, Number 2, 2015. <http://www.txla.org/sites/tla/files/TLJ/TLJ91-2.pdf>

Ortiz, Sara: “Francisco Goldman: an interview conducted by Sara Ortiz,” Bodega Magazine, Issue 11, 2013. <http://www.bodegamag.com/articles/70-francisco-goldman-an-interview-conducted-by-sara-ortiz>

Ortiz, Sara: “INTERVIEW: Justin Torres, author of ‘We the Animals’” Electric Literature, 2011. <https://electricliterature.com/interview-justin-torres-author-of-we-the-animals-46e66f611309#.qi90bywik>

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

2

18. Rachel Fryd

Current Position:

Young Adult Materials Selector,

Institution/Organization:

Free Library of Philadelphia

City:

Philadelphia

State:

PA

Type of Library: Public

Previous Position(s)

Youth Services Coordinator, Free Library of Philadelphia 2012-2015

Branch Manager, Free Library of Philadelphia 2010-2012

Children's Librarian, Free Library of Philadelphia 2004-2010

Degrees and Certificates:

Drexel University, MSLIS, 2006; St. Mary's College of Maryland, BA Sociology, 1998

Division Affiliation(s)

ALSC, YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

2015-2017 YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults Committee; 2016-2018 ALSC Quicklists Committee, Co-Chair;

2015 ALSC Managing Children's Services Committee;

2014 YALSA Summer Reading and Learning Task Force Committee;

2014 ALSC Children and Libraries Editorial Advisory Committee;

2014 ALSC Randolph Caldecott Committee (served in 2013 for 2014 award);

2011 ALSC Great Websites for Kids, Co-Chair;

2010 ALSC Great Websites for Kids member;

2009 ALSC International Relations Committee

Honors and Awards (library and non-library)

Free Library of Philadelphia Customer Service Award, Spring 2012 - part of the team organizing the Annual Staff Longevity Awards Day; Free Library of Philadelphia Customer Service Award, Summer 2010 - creating Every Child Ready to Read Preschool Storytime Series

Links to further information:

I blog regularly for the Free Library of Philadelphia's blog about young adult literature, graphic novels and programming - you can read examples here- tinyurl.com/hu9je2x

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

12

19. Joy Piedmont

Current Position: High School Technology Integrator

Institution/Organization:

LREI - Little Red School House & Elisabeth Irwin High School,

City:

New York

State:

NY

Other: School

Previous Position(s)

Admissions and College Guidance Coordinator, Lawrence Woodmere Academy, 2008-2012

Database Research Assistant and Freelance Producer, Entertainment Weekly, 2007-2008

Degrees and Certificates:

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, M.L.I.S. School Library Media, 2012; Macaulay Honors College at CUNY Hunter, BA English Literature & Language, 2007.

Division Affiliation(s)

AASL, YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities (If none, please enter the word "None")

None

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations

Hudson Valley Library Association; President 2015-2017, Treasurer 2012-2014, co-chair of Book Club committee 2012-present

Honors and Awards (library and non-library)

Summer grant recipient for LREI's Innovation Institute, 2014; Macaulay Honors scholar, 2003-2007

Major Accomplishments

Since 2012 I have reviewed YA literature for School Library Journal's Someday My Printz Will Come, a Printz speculation blog and SLJ's monthly issues. I was also thrilled to moderate the author panel: "YA Romance: It's Complicated" at SummerTeen 2015, SLJ's virtual conference. As a board member for the Hudson Valley Library Association I've had the pleasure of co-hosting and coordinating our monthly MG/YA book club and annual Mock Printz since 2012. I frequently attend professional conferences as a presenter or session leader, including Computers in Libraries (2015) and NYSAIS Education & Information Technology (2014, 2016, 2017). Outside of the

professional realm, I'm active in the Doctor Who fandom as a convention panelist and podcast guest. My writing about Doctor Who is published in Outside In 2: 125 Unique Perspectives on 125 Modern Doctor Who Stories by 125 Writers.

Publication (s)

Silverman, Karyn N.; Piedmont, Joy: "Reading the Big Picture: A Visual Literacy Curriculum for Today," Knowledge Quest, volume 44, number 5, May-Jun 2016

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

5

20. Jennifer Thompson

Current Position:

Teen Programs & Partnerships Coordinator

Institution/Organization:

DC Public Library

City:

Washington

State:

DC

Type of Library: Public

Previous Position (s)

Coordinator of Young Adult Services, Brooklyn Public Library, November 2012 – February 2015

Multicultural Internship Program Project Manager, Brooklyn Public Library, September 2009 – November 2012

Young Adult Librarian, Brooklyn Public Library, August 2007 – September 2009

Degrees and Certificates:

Pratt Institute, MSLIS, 2007; University of Colorado at Boulder, BA Humanities, 1997

Division Affiliation(s)

ALSC, YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

2015 YALSA Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers Committee
 2014 YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults Committee

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations (If none, please enter the word "None")

None

Honors and Awards (library and non-library) (If none, please enter the word "None")

None

Major Accomplishments

During my career, I've had a wide range of experiences. I worked in multiple branches as a YA librarian, I managed a \$497,000 IMLS grant that supported a pre-professional training program for 170 teens, and I've coordinated and developed policies and plans for services to teens at two urban public library systems. I've also presented at the following conferences: New York Library Association, National Diversity in Libraries, PLA 2012 and WebWise 2013.

I am very passionate about YA books and have been involved with various book-related projects. I've hosted and/or participated in Mock Printz programs since 2008, and I started a Mock Printz program when I arrived in Washington DC. I've worked closely with colleagues to develop teen summer reading booklists, and I moderated a 2014 SLJ Day of Dialog Unreliable Narrators panel and facilitated at YA book discussion at the 2014 Bank Street BookFest.

As a YALSA member, I was thrilled to serve on two committees: 2015 Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers and 2014 Best Fiction for Young Adults.

Publication(s)

Author: "Nurturing the Next Generation of Librarians: The Multicultural Internship Program," Voice of Youth Advocates Magazine, February 2011

Links to further information:

Twitter: @jendigital

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

10

21. Anna Grace Tschetter**Current Position:**

Teen and Reference Librarian,

Institution/Organization:

Memorial Hall Library

City:

Andover

State:

MA

Type of Library: Public

Previous Position (s)

Young Adult Librarian, Nevins Memorial Library, 2012-2014

Reference and Childrens Librarian Substitute, Beverly Public Library 2011-2012

Degrees and Certificates:

Simmons College, MLIS, 2012; Gordon College, BA, English Literature, 2008

Division Affiliation(s)

YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

YALSA Hub Blogger, 2013-2014

YALSA Virtual Mentoring Program Protégé, 2013-2014

Advisory Board of the Journal of Research on Libraries & Young Adults, Committee Member, 2015-2017

YALSA's The Hub Advisory Board, Committee Member, 2015-2017

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations (If none, please enter the word "None")

None

Honors and Awards (library and non-library)

New England Library Leadership Symposium Participant, 2013

YALSA Writing Award for Hub post, "Books for Boys that Aren't 'Books for Boys'", 2015

Major Accomplishments

I am passionate about giving teens the books and materials that they need to help them figure out what kind of people they want to be. I think that teens are in the process of "becoming," and in all of my work for teens I hope to treat them as the creative, interested, and multifaceted readers and investigators that they are. Great literature presents various forms of being, and asks readers to empathize with the characters. I have worked to provide access and information so teens can choose the books they need to discover themselves. In addition to collection development and reader's advisory work, I have established successful teen programming, including a section of the

nationwide Girls Who Code club, and other programs such as a popular Dungeons & Dragons campaign. I also designed and executed a renovation to our Teen Room which included new shelving, furniture, and decor. This renovation has given us more room for materials, including giving our high-interest nonfiction section more visibility and access.

Links to further information:

Blog: www.lcarslibrarian.com

"YA?! Why not?" column at Women Write About Comics:
<http://womenwriteaboutcomics.com/tag/ya-why-not/>

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

6

22. Paula Willey

Current Position:

Librarian

Institution/Organization:

Baltimore County Public Library

City:

Baltimore

State:

MD

Type of Library: Public

Degrees and Certificates:

Pratt Institute, MSLIS, 1999; New York University, Masters Certificate in Museum Studies, 1998;
 Case Western Reserve University, BA, 1987

Division Affiliation(s)

ALSC, YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

2015-2017, member, ALA Website Advisory Committee

2015-2017, co-chair, ALSC Website Advisory Committee

2014-2016, member, ALSC Website Advisory Committee

2013-2015, member, YALSA 2014 YA Literature Symposium Marketing & Planning Taskforce
 2012-2013, member, YALSA Virtual Selection Committee Manual Taskforce
 2012-2014, member, YALSA Popular Paperbacks for Young Adults

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations (If none, please enter the word "None")

None

Honors and Awards (library and non-library (If none, please enter the word "None"))

None

Major Accomplishments

During my dozen years as a librarian at Baltimore County Public Library, I have written about children's and teen literature for SLJ, Booklist, VOYA, and the Baltimore Sun, covering topics like the benefits of audiobooks, the importance of diverse characters, sex ed, and humor. This has led to work on award and selection committees - the Cybils (2008-14), PPYA (2012-14), and Maryland Black-Eyed Susan Awards (2014-present) - and to presentations at SLJ's Day of Dialog ("Storied Lives," 2014) and the YA Literature Symposium ("Something Wicked This Way Comes of Age," 2014), among others.

Since 2012, I have volunteered with the family reading club at the Baltimore County Detention Center, and in 2016, I initiated library outreach to Charles Hickey School, a high-security state juvenile detention facility. I have arranged author visits from Matt de la Peña and A.S. King and have applied for ALA's Great Stories Club grant for those teens. Working with children and families in crisis has given me new perspective on how a great book can open the world.

Publication (s)

"Best bets for kids, teens at Baltimore Book Festival," Baltimore Sun, September 21, 2016

"Sex Education: Covering the Bases," School Library Journal, May 2016

"Putting the 'boo!' in children's books," Baltimore Sun, October 24, 2015

Links to further information:

unadulterated.us;

somethingwickedcomesofage.tumblr.com

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

11

23. Michael Richard Cart

Current Position:

Author/Editor

Institution/Organization:

Booklist

City:

Columbus

State:

IN

Other:

Author/Editor

Previous Position (s)

Director, Beverly Hills CA Public Library 1979-2002

Assistant Director Beverly Hills CA Public Library 1976-1979

Director of Public Services, Pomona CA Public Library 1973-1976

Degrees and Certificates:

Columbia University, MS in Library Science 1964; Northwestern University, BS in Journalism, 1963

Division Affiliation(s)

ALSC, YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

To which Round Tables do you belong?

Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table (GLBTRT) Social Responsibilities Round Table (SRRT)

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

ALA Rainbow List Committee member 2009-2012

Joint ALA-APA Committee member, 2006-2007

Nominating Committee member 2004-2005

Publications Committee member 2002-2004

YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults Committee, Chair, 2014-2015

YALSA/Outstanding Achievement Award Jury, Chair 2013-2014
 YALSA Editorial Advisory Committee, Chair, 2009-2010
 YALSA Nominating Committee, Chair, 2007-2009
 Michael L. Printz Award Committee, Chair 2006
 YALSA President's Program, Co-Chair 2006
 YALSA Preconference Committee, Chair 2005
 Alex Award Committee member, 2002-2004
 YALSA President's Program Committee, member, 2002-2003
 Margaret A. Edwards Committee, member, 2000-2001
 Michael L. Printz Award Task Force, Chair and convener, 1998-1999
 YALSA President 1997-1998
 YALSA Board of Directors 1994-1996

ALSC Arbutnot Lecture Committee member 2000-2002
 ALSC Nominating Committee, member 2000-2001
 ALSC Notable Books Committee, member 1992-1995
 ALSC Caldecott Committee, member, 1990-1991

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations

President, Association of Literature for Adolescents (ALAN) of the National Council of Teachers of English, 2003-2004

Honors and Awards (library and non-library)

Catholic Library Association St. Katherine Drexel Award 2012
 YALSA/Greenwood Press Distinguished Service Award, 2008
 Grolier Award, 2000
 Bradshaw Scholar, Texas Woman's University, 1992, 2000

Major Accomplishments

I have served YALSA in a variety of different capacities including President. As President, I appointed and chaired the Michael L. Printz Award Committee. I am the only person to have served as President of both YALSA and ALAN. I am a Founding Judge of the L. A. Times Book Award for Young Adult Literature and have served as a judge for the National Book Award and the New York Times Best Illustrated Books jury. I am a Founding Director of the Arne Nixon Center for the Study of Children's and Young Adult Literature at California State University, Fresno and have taught at both UCLA and Texas Woman's University. And I'm the author or editor of twenty-three books.

Publication (s)

Young Adult Literature. From Romance to Realism. 3rd. ed. 2016. Neal-Schuman/ALA

Taking Aim: Stories about Teens and Guns. HarperCollins. 2015

Cart's Top 200 Adult Books for Young Adults. ALA Editions. 2012

Links to further information:

www.michaelcartbooks.com

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

40

24. Rebecca Lesley Denham

Current Position:

Teen Services Coordinator,

Institution/Organization:

Houston Public Library

City:

Houston

State:

TX

Type of Library: Public

Previous Position (s)

Librarian II – Youth Services / Assistant Manager, Houston Public Library, July 2014 – August 2015

Young Adult Librarian, Harris County Public Library, June 2007 – July 2014

Wired for Youth Intern, Austin Public Library, May 2006 - June 2007

Degrees and Certificates:

University of Texas at Austin, Masters of Science, Information Science, 2007; University of Texas at Austin, Bachelor of Arts, English, 2004

Division Affiliation(s)

YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

YALSA Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers 2016 - Committee Member

YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults 2015 - Committee Member

YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults 2014 - Committee Member

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations

Teen Book Con: The Greater Houston Teen Book Convention, Planning Committee, Committee Member, 2011 - present

Texas Library Association (Young Adult Roundtable), Chair, Spirit of Texas Reading Program Committee, 2014-2015

Texas Library Association (Young Adult Roundtable), Committee Member, Spirit of Texas Reading Program Committee, 2011-2014

Texas Library Association (Young Adult Roundtable), Texas Teens Read Advisory Committee, Committee Member, 2010-2012

Honors and Awards (library and non-library)

Houston Public Library Leadership Academy 2016 - Graduate

Major Accomplishments

Rebecca Denham is the creator of the Houston Public Library's internally circulating library of ready-made STEAM teen program "kits". She has created over 60 ready-made program kits for tweens and teens, which circulate to all 40 of Houston Public Library's neighborhood locations. She has also created and lead two out of Houston Public Library's three signature Teen events: an annual after-hours event for teens as well as a creative writing contest for teens--both of which have had more than 50 participants.

As part of the Planning Committee for Teen Book Con she has helped thousands of teens cultivate a personal connection to literature at no cost. While a Young Adult Librarian at Barbara Bush Branch Library, she increased Teen Summer Reading participation 206%. Through her blog she has created free digital Readers' Advisory content and programming ideas for anyone who works with teens.

Publication (s)

Rebecca Denham: "Serving Full T.I.L.T.: Sarcasm, Spice and Everything Awesome: The Developing Teen," Blog: Teen Librarian Toolbox (www.teenlibrariantoolbox.com), 2015.

Rebecca Denham: "Book Review: Don't Let Me Go by J.H. Trumble", VOYA, 2012.

Rebecca Denham: "Scream-In," Texas Teens Read Handbook (<https://www.tsl.texas.gov/ld/projects/ttr/2012/chapter5.html>), 2011.

Links to further information:

Personal blog: Lunanshee's Lunacy - www.lunanshee.com

Professional blog: HPL Youth Services Staff Blog - hplyouthsvcs.blogspot.com

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

7

25. Michael Pawuk

Current Position:

Public Services Librarian

Institution/Organization:

Cuyahoga County Public Library, Brooklyn Branch

City:

Cleveland

State:

OH

Type of Library: Public

Previous Position (s)

Public Services Librarian - Teen, Cuyahoga County Public Library - South Euclid/Lyndhurst Branch, 1996-1998

Degrees and Certificates:

Kent State University, MLIS, 1995

Division Affiliation(s)

YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

YALSA Great Graphic Novels for Teens committee member, 2009-2011.

YALSA Michael L. Printz Award, committee member, 2006.

YALSA Graphic Novel Task Force, committee member, 2004-2005.

YALSA Popular Paperbacks for Young Adults, committee chair, 2004.

YALSA Preconference Getting Graphic @ your library, committee chair, 2002.

YALSA Popular Paperbacks for Young Adults, committee member, 2000-2004.

ALA Graphic Novels and Comics in Libraries Member Initiative Group, co-convener, 2012-present

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations (If none, please enter the word "None")

None

Honors and Awards (library and non-library)

Judge for the EBSCO's SEE-IT Award: Stories Engagingly Expressed – Illustratively Told graphic novel award, 2017.

Judge for the Will Eisner Comic Industry Award, 2009.

Major Accomplishments

Author of two reference publications - "Graphic Novels: A Genre Guide to Comic Books, Manga, and More," both published by Libraries Unlimited/Greenwood Press/ABC-CLIO in 2006 and a 2nd edition co-authored by David Serchay. The 2nd book will be published in 2017.

Publication (s)

Author: "Graphic Novels: A Genre Guide to Comic Books, Manga, and More, 2nd edition," Published by Libraries Unlimited, Greenwood Press, 2017. Co-Authored by David Serchay.

Author: "Graphic Novels: A Genre Guide to Comic Books, Manga, and More," Published by Libraries Unlimited, Greenwood Press, 2006

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

20

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Current Position:

Youth Librarian

Institution/Organization:

Multnomah County Library

City:

Portland

State:

OR

Type of Library: Public

Previous Position (s)

Reference Librarian, Multnomah County Library, 2001 - 2002

On-call Librarian, Ft. Vancouver Regional Library, 2000-2002

Temporary Reference Librarian, Lewis & Clark College, Fall 2002

Degrees and Certificates:

Emporia State University, MLIS, 2000; Portland State University, MSW, 1980; Pitzer College, BA Social Psychology, 1975.

Division Affiliation(s)

ALSC, YALSA

Were/are you a Spectrum Scholar? No

Were/are you an Emerging Leader? No

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities

YALSA State Association Task Force, member, 2012-13;
YALSA Road Trip Committee, member, 2013.

Offices held in state/regional library associations, and other associations

Oregon Library Association, Oregon Young Adult Network (OYAN), Mock Printz Award Workshop Coordinator, 2008-present;
OYAN Past Co-Chair, 2012;
OYAN Co-Chair, 2009-2011;
OYAN Co-Vice Chair/Chair-elect, 2008-2009;
OYAN Secretary, 2005-2008.

Honors and Awards (library and non-library)

Friendly House, Community Partner Award, 2016;
YALSA/Baker & Taylor Conference Grant, 2012;
Friendly House Inc., Rev. Edd Crawford Service Award, 2004.

Major Accomplishments

Over the past 12 years, I've built an active youth program at the Northwest Library of Multnomah County Library (MCL). This included one of the first teen councils and teen anime clubs in the system. Each of these activities are now in their third generation of teens. I've also chaired several committees within MCL's Youth Services workgroup, including the Everybody Serves Youth (2016-present), Special Audiences Action Team (2014-2016) and the Teen Action Team (2010-2014).

Number of Years as an ALA Member:

18

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Abigail Phillips
Christopher Shoemaker
Sarah Sogigian

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Amber Creger
Valerie Davis
Barbara Moon
Elizabeth Schneider