



Christina Rodriques

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Type of Library:

Non-profit organization

Statement of Professional Concerns:

I am honored to stand for election to the ALA Executive Board. My experiences within the ALA over the past six years have given me the skills and knowledge needed to help move our association forward. Serving as NMRT Councilor, a member of the Forward Together Working group and Chair of the ALA Membership Committee for three terms, I understand the diverse needs of our members, especially those who are new to the association. My intensive work experience with non-profit membership and governing bodies has taught me how to successfully work within complex organizations and how to communicate effectively. It has also reaffirmed my belief in the value of cooperation. If elected, I will work hard to advocate for member needs, increase professional development opportunities, and improve diversity and inclusion within the association and LIS profession. As a passionate librarian, I strongly believe in the ALA and its future.

Previous Positions:

- Member Relations Outreach Coordinator, OCLC, May 2014 – October 2018
- Youth Services Specialist, Columbus Metropolitan Library, May 2014 – October 2015
- Contractor, Library Services Inc., February 2014 – May 2014

Education:

- Kent State University, Kent, Ohio, MPA, Anticipated completion date 2022
- Kent State University, Kent, Ohio, MLIS, 2015
- The George Washington State University, Washington D.C., Graduate Certificate in Museum Collections Management & Care, 2011
- Kent State University, Kent, Ohio, BA History & BA Art History, 2010

Affiliation(s):

- New to Libraries Network, Northeast Ohio Regional Library System (NEO RLS), July 2017 - June 2019

ALA and/or ALA-APA Activities:

- ALA Council, New Members Round Table (NMRT) Councilor, July 2019 - June 2022
- Forward Together Working Group, member, July 2020 – June 2021
- ALA Membership Committee, 2017-present
 - Chair, July 2018 – June 2021
 - Committee member, July 2017 – June 2018

- New Members Round Table (NMRT), 2015-present
 - Board, Outreach Director, July 2018 - June 2019
 - Membership Promotion, Diversity & Recruitment Committee Chair, July 2017 - June 2018
- International Relations Round Table (IRRT), 2016-2019
 - Chair's Program Committee, member, July 2017 - June 2019
- Professional Development 101 – Presentation, ALA Annual, New Orleans LA, June 24, 2018

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

- New to Libraries Network, Northeast Ohio Regional Library System (NEO RLS), July 2017 - June 2019
 - Outreach and Membership Director

Library related honors and/or awards:

- Guest Speaker, Kent State University iSchool, ALA Student Chapter, “Librarians #IRL”, September 2018
- LLAMA Mentorship program, Mentee, July 2017 – June 2018

Major Accomplishments:

- Dublin Executive Leadership Academy – Dublin Chamber of Commerce, Dublin OH, September 2018 – May 2019
- Founder of “JumpStart”, Early Career Professionals Employee Resource Group, OCLC, June 2017-present

Publications:

- Goodsett, Mandi; Buckius, Danielle; and Rodriques, Christina, "Stronger Together: Support, Leadership, and Alternative Pathways for New Information Professionals" (2019). *Michael Schwartz Library Publications*. 162.

Number of Years as an ALA Member: 6