Volunteer Opportunities Overview

Make the most of your ALA membership!

Volunteer to connect with like-minded library workers & library friends!
Click below to jump to brief descriptions of how to get involved with ALA’s many volunteer opportunities

**ALA has 30+ Standing Committees & Subcommittees**

**8 Divisions** to network and collaborate with a targeted focus on your library environment or professional role.
- American Association of School Librarians (AASL)
- Association of College & Research Librarians (ACRL)
- Association for Library Services to Children (ALSC)
  - Core: Leadership, Infrastructure, Futures
  - Public Library Association (PLA)
- Reference & User Services Association (RUSA)
  - United for Libraries
- Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA)

**19 Round Tables** established to promote a field of librarianship not within the scope of any single ALA Division
- Coretta Scott King Book Awards Round Table (CSKBART)
- Ethnic & Multicultural Information Exchange Round Table (EMIERT)
- Film and Media Round Table (FMRT)
- Games & Gaming Round Table (GAMERT)
- Government Documents Round Table (GODORT)
- Graphic Novels & Comics Round Table (GNCRT)
- Intellectual Freedom Round Table (IFRT)
- International Relations Round Table (IRRT)
- Learning Round Table (LearnRT)
- Library History Round Table (LHRT)
- Library Instruction Round Table (LIRT)
- Library Research Round Table (LRRT)
- Library Support Staff Round Table (LSSRT)
- Map and Geospatial Information Round Table (MAGIRT)
- New Members Round Table (NMRT)
- Rainbow Round Table (RRT)
- Retired Members Round Table (RMRT)
- Social Responsibilities Round Table (SRRT)
- Sustainability Round Table (SustainRT)

**Office for Diversity, Literacy & Outreach Services**
has numerous interest groups, assemblies, and leadership opportunities
ALA Standing Committees

Most ALA Standing committee have two-year membership terms (July-June). Interested members should volunteer by September 30, with appointments made the following Spring by ALA President-elect for a July 1 start date.

Submit your **volunteer application** by **September 30, 2024** to be considered for the July 2025-June 2027 term.

To learn more about committees and their charges, visit [https://www.ala.org/aboutala/committees/ala](https://www.ala.org/aboutala/committees/ala)

- Accreditation
- American Libraries Advisory
- Awards
- Chapter Relations
- Code of Conduct
- Conference
- Bylaws
- Diversity, Literacy & Outreach Services Advisory
- Election
- Human Resource Development & Recruitment Advisory
- Information Technology Advisory
- Information Technology Policy Advisory
- Literacy
- Membership
- Public & Cultural Programs Advisory
- Research & Statistics
- Rural, Native & Tribal Libraries of All Kinds
- Scholarship & Study Grants
- Training, Orientation & Leadership Development
- Budget Analysis & Review Committee
- Diversity
- Education
- Legislation
- Library Advocacy
- Committee on Organization
- Professional Ethics
- Status of Women in Librarianship
- Council Training & Engagement
- Intellectual Freedom
- International Relations
- Policy Monitoring
- Public Awareness
- Publishing
- Resolutions
- Sustainability
ALA has 8 Divisions where you can network and collaborate with a targeted focus on your library environment or professional role.

Each division offers its own volunteer opportunities through committees, workgroups and more!

Check out the opportunities and learn more about volunteering with Divisions on the next few slides!
American Association of School Librarians

Mission
The American Association of School Librarians empowers leaders to transform teaching and learning.

Vision
Every school librarian is a leader; every learner has a school librarian.
# AASL Committees, Editorial Boards, & Task Forces

## Committees
- Annual Conference Panel
- Awards Committee
- Bylaws & Organization
- CAEP Coordinating
- Joint Committee on School/Public Library Cooperation (AASL/ALSC/YALSA)
- Leadership Development
- Legacy

## Member Engagement
- National Conference
- Practice
- Professional Learning
- School Library Event Promotion
- Standards

## Advisory Groups
- Publications

## Editorial Boards
- Knowledge Quest *(KQ blogger)*
- School Library Research

## Task Forces
- As Needed

[www.ala.org/aasl/committees](http://www.ala.org/aasl/committees)
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www.ala.org/aasl/board
www.ala.org/aasl/sections
Applications accepted year-round at: www.ala.org/aasl/getinvolved

The AASL President-Elect considers appointments in the spring for the next governance year (July 1 – June 30).

For More Information:
Jennifer Habley
AASL Manager, Members & Chapters
312-280-4383
jhabley@ala.org
ACRL IS THE HIGHER EDUCATION ASSOCIATION FOR ACADEMIC LIBRARIES AND LIBRARY WORKERS.
ACRL 2024 President's Program: Workplace Belonging Matters: Key Insights for Library Professionals

Saturday, June 29, 2024
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Speaker:

Terell Strayhorn
President/CEO
Do Good Work Consulting Group
What is Project Outcome?

We help libraries understand and share the true impact of their services and programs with simple surveys and an easy-to-use process to measure and analyze outcomes. Project Outcome is a free toolkit offering libraries access to training, data analytics, and standardized surveys that measure outcomes in key library service areas.
PUBLISH YOUR BOOK WITH ACRL!
ACRL SERIALS AND STANDARDS
ACRL = Community, Connections, Collaboration
ACRL is dedicated to advancing learning and transforming scholarship.
ACRL by the Numb3rs

- 5,198 academic librarians use Project Outcome to assess library services
- 42 ACRL Chapters in US and Canada
- 21 ACRL Diversity Alliance Members
- 1,200 ACRL members served on committees, interest and discussion groups, task forces, ed boards
- 23,086 Twitter followers and 9,052 Facebook likes

Learn more: https://www.ala.org/acrl/membership/volunteer/volunteer
Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC)
Vision & Core Values

Vision
Members of the Association for Library Service to Children engage communities to build healthy, successful futures for all children.

Core Values
Collaboration, Excellence, Inclusiveness, Innovation, Integrity and Respect, Leadership, Responsiveness
Ways to Engage with ALSC

- Volunteer for a Committee or Leadership Position
- Write for an ALSC Publication
- Attend Virtual Community Engagement Sessions
- Advocate for Children’s Services
- Share Your Knowledge through Continuing Education
- Apply for a Grant or Scholarship
ALSC Board of Directors

ALSC is governed by a 13-member Board elected by the membership, which includes the following positions:

- President
- Vice President/President-Elect
- Immediate Past President
- Fiscal Officer
- Councilor
- Directors (eight)

The five officers serve as the division's Executive Committee. ALSC's elections occur at the same time as ALA's.
ALSC Priority Groups and Committees

ALSC has nearly 60 committees, task forces and discussion groups designated under six Priority Group Areas.

These groups allow ALSC's member leaders to carry out the work of the Association, developing valuable programs, publications, and resources for youth librarians.

See a full list of committees at https://www.ala.org/alsc/aboutalsc/coms
Appointments Timeline

- Process committees (or non-award committees) appointed in the early spring (Jan-May)
- Award and evaluation committees are appointed in early fall (July-Oct)
- Replacement positions that develop throughout the year (ongoing)
- Special calls for volunteering to work on task forces throughout the year (they do not appear on the list of committees in the online volunteer form)
- Let us know of your volunteer interests by filling out the online volunteer form at https://www.ala.org/cfapps/Volunteer (member login required).
How to Reach Us

For more information, email us at alscccommittees@ala.org
We’re glad you’re here

Contact us anytime at core@ala.org
Where to Start

- **Find Your Core** - Helps you find groups and opportunities that match your interests

- **Office Hours** - Members can book an appointment with Core staff to get personalized help.

Contact us anytime at core@ala.org
Start Small

- Attend Interest Group Week!
- Submit an idea for an e-Forum email discussion
- Become a Core blogger
- Join a project team
- Volunteer to be on an award jury

Contact us anytime at core@ala.org
Level Up

- Join the Core Reading Club Team to facilitate discussion of an article or book
- Lead an interest group
- Volunteer for a committee

Contact us anytime at core@ala.org
Submit your ideas for e-forums, webinars and web courses for review by the Core Continuing Education Coordinating Committee. Course instructors and webinar presenters receive an honorarium.

Contact us anytime at core@ala.org
Core journals are open access, refereed, and published quarterly

- **Information Technology and Libraries** (ITAL) publishes original material related to all aspects of information technology in all types of libraries.

- **Library Leadership & Management** (LL&M) focuses on assisting library administrators and managers at all levels as they deal with day-to-day challenges.

- **Library Resources & Technical Services** (LRTS) takes a critical approach to the questions and challenges facing librarians and libraries with regard to collections, scholarly communication, preservation (including digitization), acquisitions (including licensing and economic aspects of acquisitions), continuing resources, cataloging (including descriptive metadata, authority control, subject analysis, and classification).

Contact us anytime at core@ala.org
Publish a Book

- Core publishes practical guides covering best practices, case studies, and emerging trends in the areas of access and equity, assessment, buildings and operations, leadership and management, metadata and collections, and technology.

- Submit book ideas for review by Core’s Publications Coordination Committee

Contact us anytime at core@ala.org
Join Our Mentoring Program

- **Be a mentor or request mentoring**
- Runs January - June each year
- Applications open in September each year

Contact us anytime at core@ala.org
Leadership Roles

● Volunteer for a Section Leadership Team

● Volunteer to chair a committee

● Contact the Nominating Committee about running for the Core Board

Contact us anytime at core@ala.org
Explore Our Sections

- Access & Equity
- Buildings & Operations
- Leadership & Management
- Metadata & Collections
- Preservation
- Technology

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Get Involved with PLA
and shape possibility for public libraries everywhere

Learn more at pla.org.
Purpose & Goals

**Purpose**: to strengthen public libraries and their contribution to communities.

**Goals**: equity, diversity, inclusion, and social justice; transformation; professional growth; advocacy and awareness; and organizational excellence.
The membership for public library people.

Founded in 1944, PLA is a division of the American Library Association (ALA) that serves 8,000 members.

PLA Dues

• Regular: $85
• Trustee/Associate: $85
• International/Non-salaried/Retired: $62
• Student: $36

Dues rates as of Sept. 1, 2024
PLA Board of Directors

Elections occur each spring.

- President
- President-Elect
- Past-President
- PLA Executive Director
- ALA Division Councilor
- Fiscal Officer
- Directors-at-Large (6)

www.ala.org/pla/about/people/board
PLA Committees & Advisory Groups

Selections made by PLA President-Elect each spring.

- Advocacy and Strategic Partnerships Committee
- Annual Conference 2024 Program Subcommittee
- Board of Directors
- Budget and Finance Committee
- Digital Literacy Advisory Group
- Committee on Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Social Justice
- Family Engagement Advisory Group
- Leadership Development Committee
- Measurement, Evaluation and Assessment Committee
- Nominating Committee
- PLA Conference Committee
- PLA Conference Program Subcommittee
- Public Libraries Advisory Group
- Technology Advisory Group
- Continuing Education Advisory Group
- Membership Advisory Group

www.ala.org/pla/about/people/committees
CHART YOUR PLA MEMBER JOURNEY

**Interest**
- Hears about PLA from a colleague
- Visits pla.org to learn more about PLA resources
- Follows PLA on social media
- Learns about a free webinar and registers

**Onboarding**
- Signs up for a PLA membership
- Completes the new member survey
- Logs into ALA Connect to complete member profile and post in the Member Community
- Reads PLA Insider, the members-only e-newsletter
- Catches up on news and trends at publiclibrariesonline.org

**Engagement**
- Reads an issue of Public Libraries magazine and shares it with colleagues
- Listens to the latest episode of FYI: The Public Libraries Podcast
- Learns about volunteering by reaching out to a committee member
- Downloads the PLA annual survey report to view peer library data
- Votes in the PLA Election

**Investment**
- Uses the 40% member discount when registering for a PLA webinar
- Attends PLA Conference, saving up to 50% with the members-only Early Bird rate
- Applies for a PLA Digital Literacy Workshop Incentive, supported by AT&T
- Completes the PLA annual survey and saves 10% on a Benchmark subscription
- Submits a PLA webinar proposal

**Impact**
- Volunteers for a PLA Committee
- Surveys and evaluates library programs using Project Outcome
- Writes a feature article for Public Libraries magazine
- Presents a program at PLA Conference
- Serves on the PLA Board
On the journey

The Public Library Association is here for you throughout your career, offering endless opportunities to...

Make valuable connections
by meeting and networking with like-minded professionals

Discover new ideas & resources
through webinars, conferences, articles, and research that highlight the impact of public libraries across the country

Make an impact in the field
by learning to center equity, diversity, inclusion, and social justice in your work, and sharing your expertise with others

Develop professional skills
by presenting your ideas as a PLA speaker, attending conferences, and collaborating with peers

Transform your library
with PLA resources, like DigitalLearn and Project Outcome, and grant opportunities that advance library services

Advance your career
by serving on a committee, participating in leadership training, and mentoring early-career librarians or students
Get started today at pla.org

Questions?
Please contact pla@ala.org
Mission

The Reference and User Services Association is a network to educate, empower, and inspire its members to advance the evolution of the profession and better serve users in a continuously changing information society.
About RUSA

Core Purpose:
RUSA is a member community engaged in advancing the practices of connecting people to resources, information services, and collections.

Core Organizational Values:
- Building relationships among members from all types of libraries
- Encouraging openness, innovation, and idea sharing
- Promoting excellence in library services and resources

Vision:
RUSA is an influential and authoritative organization, essential to the work of anyone engaged in the practices of connecting people to resources, information services, and collections.
RUSA: Ways to Engage

- RUSA Division-level Committees
  - Direct Appointments
  - Section Representatives
- RUSA Liaisons to ALA Groups
- RUSA Section-level Committees
- RUSA Interest Groups

- Board of Directors
- Leadership Council
- Section Executive Groups
- Chairs
## RUSA Committees

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Section committees

Six sections, lots of opportunities!
http://www.ala.org/rusa/contact/rosters

Also ... what does it mean to be a "Section Representative" on a Division-level Committee?

- You serve as a liaison for the section, facilitating communication between the section and the committee

- You’re there to bring the perspective of the section as a whole to the work of the committee, but should feel empowered to bring your own opinions and expertise

- Important to know:
  - Please do go ahead and indicate your interest through the volunteer form.
  - Section reps have the same responsibilities as a non-section representative and are expected to participate fully in the committee.
More Ways to Engage

- Participate in an Interest Group
- Write and Share – RUSA Update and RUSQ
- Propose a Webinar or Course
- Run for office
- [your idea here]
The mission of United for Libraries is to support those who govern, promote, advocate, and fundraise for all types of libraries.

https://www.ala.org/united
Get Involved with United for Libraries

- Volunteer for a committee.
- Volunteer for a task force.
- Participate in quarterly virtual roundtables.
- Join a conversation in ALA Connect.
- Present a webinar or Learning Live session.
- Present at United for Libraries Virtual (2024 proposal deadline April 26)
- Write a Tip Sheet or Toolkit.
United for Libraries Committees

• Awards & Honors Committee
• Finance Committee
• Governance Committee
• Intellectual Freedom, Public Policy, and Advocacy Committee
• Leadership Development Committee
• Membership Committee
• Nominating Committee
• Partnerships & Fundraising Committee
• Program Committee

Learn more: https://www.ala.org/united/about/committees
Mission:

Through networking, advocacy, and professional development, the Young Adult Library Services Association empowers all those involved in the profession to provide equitable, diverse and inclusive teen services.
Interested in getting involved?

I’m interested in:

VIRTUAL

- Teach an online webinar
  [ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved](ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved)
- Connect online via Facebook, Twitter, blog, and wiki
  [ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved](ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved)
- Participate in Library Legislative Day or District Days
  [ala.org/yalsa/advocacy](ala.org/yalsa/advocacy)
- Perform in our Member Spotlight
  [ala.org/yalsa/member-spotlight](ala.org/yalsa/member-spotlight)
- Nominate a title for a YALSA selected list or award
  [ala.org/yalsa/bookawards/booklists/members](ala.org/yalsa/bookawards/booklists/members)
- Write a product or app review for the Hub
  [yalsahub@gmail.com](yalsahub@gmail.com)
- Write a professional publication review for YALS
  [yalseditor@gmail.com](yalseditor@gmail.com)
- Serve on an award committee
  [ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved/participate](ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved/participate)
- Chair or lead a strategic committee, jury, or advisory board
  [ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved/participate](ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved/participate)
- Blog for YALSABlog on the Hub
  [ala.org/yalsa/institutes](ala.org/yalsa/institutes)
- Write a column or article for Young Adult Library Services or Journal of Research on Libraries and Young Adults
  [ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants](ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants)

FACE TO FACE

- Host an institute
  [ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved](ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved)
- Present at a conference or symposium
  [ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved](ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved)
- Represent YALSA at a state or regional conference
  [ala.org/yalsa/workingwithyalsa/election](ala.org/yalsa/workingwithyalsa/election)
- Host a local meet-up
  [ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved](ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved)
- Serve as YALSA’s ALA liaison by representing YALSA on ALA committees
  [ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved](ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved)
- Participate in Library Legislative Day or District Days
  [ala.org/yalsa/advocacy](ala.org/yalsa/advocacy)
- Volunteer at the YALSA booth at the ALA Midwinter or Annual Conference
  [ala.org/yalsa/workingwithyalsa/election](ala.org/yalsa/workingwithyalsa/election)
- Be a team lead for a selected list blogging team
  [ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved/participate](ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved/participate)
- Chair an award committee
  [ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants](ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants)
- Serve on a board fellowship
  [ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants](ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants)
- Chair an award committee
  [ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants](ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants)

- Lead
  [ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved/participate](ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved/participate)
- Represent YALSA at an ALA meeting or event
  [ala.org/yalsa/workingwithyalsa/election](ala.org/yalsa/workingwithyalsa/election)
- Join a YALSA strategic committee
  [ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved/participate](ala.org/yalsa/getinvolved/participate)
- Get elected
  [ala.org/yalsa/workingwithyalsa/election](ala.org/yalsa/workingwithyalsa/election)
- Apply for the Emerging Leader Program
  [ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants](ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants)
- Apply for a board fellowship
  [ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants](ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants)
- Chair an award committee
  [ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants](ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants)

- Networking
- Advocating, supporting
- Getting noticed
- Evaluating YA materials
- Leading
- Writing
Subcommittees of ODLOS Advisory

- EDI Assembly
- Diversity Research Grants (DRG)
- Services to Refugees, Immigrants and Displaced Persons (SRIDP)
- Spectrum Advisory Committee (SAC)

*Apply through the ALA Volunteer Form*
Interest Groups

- Library Services for Dementia/Alzheimer's
- Bridging Deaf Cultures at Your Library
- Consumer Health Librarians
- Library Services to the Justice-Involved
- Library Services to Persons with Print Disabilities
- Tribal Librarians
- Universal Access

https://www.ala.org/aboutala/diversity/interest-groups
ALA has 19 Round Tables established to promote a field of librarianship not within the scope of any single ALA Division.

Round Tables are an excellent way to get involved at ALA, explore your personal interests, and ignite your passion. Each Round Table offers its own volunteer opportunities through committees, workgroups and more!

Check out opportunities and learn more about volunteering with Round Tables on the next few slides!
Customize your ALA journey with ALA Round Tables

New Members Round Table
The NMRT is a place for members who are new to the library profession, new to ALA, or new to both. It provides career development programs, professional development grants, and networking opportunities with more experienced librarians.

Social Responsibilities Round Table
The SRRT works to make ALA more democratic and to establish progressive priorities not only for the Association, but also for the entire profession. It empowers libraries and library workers to recognize and help solve social problems and inequities.

Rainbow Roundtable
The RRT promotes the development, advancement, and improvement of library services and resources for LGBTQ+ individuals and their communities. It is the oldest LGBTQ+ professional organization in the United States.

Retired Members Round Table
The RMRT provides an avenue for retired or late-career members to maintain relationships, continue meaningful organizational involvement, and share skills and knowledge through mentorship.

Sustainability Round Table
The SustainRT encourages members to exchange ideas and opportunities regarding sustainability in order to move toward a more equitable, healthy, and economically viable society.

Not sure which Round Table to dive into? Take our quiz to find out and get ready to super-charge your collaboration.

For more information about ALA Round Tables, visit ala.org/aboutala/rts
To join an ALA Round Table, visit ala.org/join

You must be an ALA Member to join ALA Round Tables. Pro-rated dues apply when adding a Round Table to an existing membership.

Explore your personal interests and ignite your passion around issues and ideas that are impacting your library and your career. Work with other members to build the tools the profession needs, share your expertise, and learn from your colleagues.

Regular Members: $15 / Student Members: $5

DUES EFFECTIVE 09-01-2023 TO 08-31-2023
Coretta Scott King Book Award Round Table

The CSKBART honors the legacy of Mrs. Coretta Scott King by promoting distinguished award-winning children and young adults’ literature, by African American authors and illustrators that depicts the Black experience.

Games & Gaming Round Table

Games & Gaming Round Table

GameRT is built around our shared passion for games and the use of gaming within libraries.

Government Documents Round Table

Government Documents Round Table

The GODORT is a dynamic forum where information professionals learn, discuss, advocate, and create scholarship around government information.

Graphic Novels & Comics Round Table

Graphic Novels & Comics Round Table

The GNCRT supports library staff in all aspects of engaging with comics, including collection development, programming, and advocacy.

Intellectual Freedom Round Table

Intellectual Freedom Round Table

The IFRT provides a forum for the discussion of intellectual freedom and promotes a greater opportunity for involvement among the members of ALA in defense of intellectual freedom.

International Relations Round Table

International Relations Round Table

The IRRT promotes interest in library issues and librarianship worldwide, helps coordinate international activities, and develops programs and activities to further the international objectives of ALA.

Learning Round Table

Learning Round Table

The LearnRT helps veteran trainers and newcomers stay on top of trends in the field by providing valuable resources and support.

Library History Round Table

Library History Round Table

The LHRT facilitates communication among scholars and students of library history and supports research in library history.

Library Instruction Round Table

Library Instruction Round Table

The LIRT empowers librarians to become better teachers through sharing best practices, leadership and professional development, and networking.

Library Support Staff Round Table

Library Support Staff Round Table

The LSSRT focuses on library support staff—who support staff are and what we do, as well as developing skills and support programming for library support staff on the frontlines, in the back rooms, and everywhere in between.

Map and Geospatial Information Round Table

Map and Geospatial Information Round Table

Through community, education, and advocacy, the MAGIRT leads and inspires information professionals in their work with map and geospatial information resources.

For more information about ALA Round Tables, visit ala.org/aboutala/rts
To join an ALA Round Table, visit ala.org/join
The mission of the GameRT is to provide the following:

- A forum for the exchange of ideas and concerns surrounding games in libraries;
- Resources to the library community to support the building and maintaining of library game collections;
- A force for initiating and supporting game programming in libraries;
- Create an awareness of, and need for, the support of the value of gaming and play in libraries, schools, and related learning communities;
- Create an awareness of the value of games and gaming in library outreach and community engagement plans;
- A professional and social forum for networking among librarians and non-librarians interested in games and gaming.

ala.org/rt/gamert
The Games & Gaming Round Table elected offices are:

- President
- President-Elect
- Past President
- Treasurer - 2 year term
- Secretary- 2 year term
- 6 Members-at-Large - 2 year term (2 elected each year)
- GameRT Councilor - 3 year term

You can find a list of our current Board members on the GameRT website: ala.org/rt/gamert/executive-board
GameRT volunteer appointments are made by the President elect for volunteers serving in their presidential year. Recruitment is open all year long and new appointments are made throughout the year.

GameRT Committees Include:

- Game On! Grant Committee (roster changes in January)
- International Games Month Committee (roster changes in January)
- Lists & Awards Committee
- Outreach Committee
- Program Planning Committee
- Strategic Planning Committee

You can find more information on our committees and fill out our volunteer form on our GameRT Committee page:

games.ala.org/get-involved/
The Graphic Novels and Comics Round Table of the American Library Association is dedicated to supporting library staff in all aspects of engaging with graphic novels and comics, including collection development, programming, and advocacy. With more than 1000+ members from all over North America - and colleagues in Australia, Europe, Latin America and more - we are committed to comics advocacy and library and educational work in all aspects and in all areas. We believe #comicsareforeveryone.

For more information connect with GNCRT on Twitter: @libcomix; Instagram: @libcomix; Facebook: ALA Graphic Novels & Comics Round Table group or the GNCRT ALA Connect page.

Have a suggestion? Have a question? You can email us at gncrt@ala.org
The Graphic Novels & Comics Round Table elected offices are:

- President
- President-Elect
- Past-President
- Treasurer - 2 year term
- Secretary - 2 year term
- 4 Members-At Large - 2 year term (2 elected each year)
- GNCRT Councilor - 3 year term

You can find more information on our current Board members, Annual Reports, and Presidential Priorities in the "About GNCRT" section of our website: [ala.org/rt/gncrt/about-gncrt](ala.org/rt/gncrt/about-gncrt)
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The Graphic Novels & Comics Round Table committees include:

- Addressing Comics Censorship Committee
- ALA Conference Committee
- Awards Implementation Task Force
- Communications Committee
- Creators Get Carded
- Metadata & Cataloging Committee
- Programming Committee
- Selection Lists - Best Graphic Novels for Adults Selection Committee
- Selection Lists - Best Graphic Novels for Children Selection Committee
- Selection Lists - Collaboration Core List Committee
- Will Eisner Graphic Novel Grants Juries

Find out more about the GNCRT Committees on our Get Involved Page!
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GNCRT Committee Appointments are made by the President-Elect for volunteers serving during their year. Volunteer recruitment for most of the standing committees opens in April and closes in May or June with the goal of all appointment being made by July.

**EXCEPT: SELECTION LIST COMMITTEES (BEST GRAPHIC NOVELS LISTS AND COLLABORATIVE CORE LIST) AND THE WILL EISNER GRAPHIC NOVEL GRANT JURIES WHICH RECRUIT IN OCTOBER THROUGH NOVEMBER, APPOINT IN DECEMBER, AND THEIR TERMS START IN JANUARY.**

Find more information about GNCRT Committees on our GNCRT Volunteer FAQ: ala.org/rt/gncrt/get-involved/gncrt-volunteer-faq

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International Relations Round Table (IRRT)

www.ala.org/irrt
About IRRT (established 1949)

**Mission:** To promote interest in library issues and librarianship worldwide; to help coordinate international activities within the American Library Association, serving as a liaison between the International Relations Committee and those members of the Association interested in international relations; to develop programs and activities which further the international objectives of ALA.

**Website:** [http://www.ala.org/irrt](http://www.ala.org/irrt)

**Membership:** today IRRT is the third largest ALA round table with approximately 1,200 members

**Not an IRRT Member?** Join us! $15 US librarians, $5 students, free for ALA international members.
Initiatives and programs

IRRT Chair’s theme: The Impact of IRRT: Celebrating our past and looking to our future

- International Librarians Networking Program: [http://www.ala.org/rt/irrt/irrtnetworkingprogram](http://www.ala.org/rt/irrt/irrtnetworkingprogram)

- ALA Emerging Leaders Program: [http://www.ala.org/educationcareers/leadership/emergingleaders](http://www.ala.org/educationcareers/leadership/emergingleaders)


- *International Leads* - official publication of IRRT.

- International Librarians Networking Program - Librarians from around the world participate in professional information exchange and network development.

- IRRT Webinar Committee
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Didn’t see the group you want or want to chat more?

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