

**YALSA Board of Directors Meeting
ALA Midwinter Meeting, Chicago
January 30 – February 2, 2015**

Topic: 2015 Conference Information

Background: Some basic information about ALA’s 2015 Midwinter Meeting and Annual Conference is provided below. Please mark your calendars and use this information when making travel arrangements. The most up to date information about YALSA at ALA’s conferences can be found on YALSA’s wiki. For Midwinter, visit <http://tinyurl.com/YALSAmw15>.

Action Required: Information

2015 Midwinter Basics:

- **Location & Dates:** January 30 – Feb. 2 in Chicago
- **Registration:** is open at <http://alamw15.ala.org/>
- **Housing:** Housing is available to you once you register for the event. We strongly encourage you to use this option. A list of hotels and a map of the area will be available at <http://alamw15.ala.org/>
- **Arrival/Departure dates:**
 - **Board Members** will need to arrive in time for a Friday training session at 1:30PM on Jan. 30th, and will need to stay through the Board III meeting on Monday afternoon. Board Members are also expected to attend the ALSC/YALSA Membership Reception from 6:00 –7:30 PM on Mon. Feb. 2.
 - **Executive Committee Members** will need to arrive in time for the Thursday Jan. 29th Joint Executive Committee Meeting at 4:30 PM. They will need to stay through the membership reception on Monday evening.
- **YALSA at Midwinter:** a list of all meetings with times and room locations will be available beginning in March at <http://tinyurl.com/YALSAmw15>
- **Meetings Board Members must attend:**

| Meeting | Day | Est. Time | Location |
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| Board Planning | Fri. | 1:30 to 4:30 | Convention Center W175b |
| Board I | Sat. | 1:30 to 5:30 | Convention Center W175b |
| Board II | Sun. | 4:30 – 6:00 | Convention Center W175b |
| Board III | Mon. | 1:30 – 3:30 | Convention Center W175b |
| Leadership Development – just for those board members who liaise with selection & award committees | Sat. | 8:30 – 10:00 | Convention Center W185a |

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• **Networking Events Board Members Need to Attend:**

| Meeting | Day | Est. Time | Location |
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| Board Happy Hour | Fri. | 5:00 – 6:00 | Fleetwood, 2333 S. Michigan Ave. |
| ALSC/YALSA Reception | Mon. | 6:00 – 7:30 | Renaissance Blackstone, Crystal Ballroom |

• **Events to attend as you're able:**

- Coffee with the Candidates (Sun.)
- Youth Council Caucus (Sun.)
- Youth Media Awards Press Conference (Mon.)
- Morris & Nonfiction Award Program & Reception (Mon. morning after the Youth Media Awards)

• **Meetings Executive Committee Members must attend:**

| Meeting | Day | Est. Time | Location |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------------|--|
| Joint Exec Meeting | Thurs. | 4:30 to 6:30 | Convention Center W175c |
| Exec I | Fri. | 10:00 to noon | Convention Center W175b |
| ALA/Division Leaders' Breakfast | Sun. | 7:00 – 8:30 | Hyatt Regency McCormick Pl, Grant Park room CC 12A |
| BARC Division Leaders' Meeting | Sun. | 2:30 – 3:30 | Convention Center W180 |
| Exec II | Mon. | 4:00 – 5:30 | Convention Center W175b |

2015 Annual Basics:

- **Location & Dates:** June 26 – 30 in San Francisco
- **Registration:** registration opened Jan. 12th at <http://alaac15.ala.org/>
- **Housing:** We strongly encourage you to use ALA hotels. A list of hotels and a map of the area will be available on the ALA site
- **Arrival/Departure dates:**
 - **Board Members** will need to arrive in time for the Leadership Development meeting on Sat. June 27, and will need to stay through the Board III meeting on Mon. afternoon June 29.
 - **Executive Committee Members** will need to arrive in time for the Thursday June 25 Joint Executive Committee Meeting at 4:30 PM. They will need to stay through the Executive Committee II meeting on Mon. June 29 from 4:00 to 5:30.
- **Meetings Board Members must attend:**
 - All meetings of the Board (usually Sat., Mon. and Tues.)
 - Leadership Development Meeting (Sat.) – attend only if you liaise with a selection or award committee
 - YALSA Membership Meeting (Mon.)

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- **Social Events Board Members Need to Attend:**
 - Board Happy Hour (usually Fri. evening)
- **Events to attend as you're able:**
 - Printz Program & Reception (Fri. night)
 - Edwards Brunch (noon-2 Sat.)
 - YALSA Happy Hour (Sat. night)
 - Youth Council Caucus (Mon.)
 - President's Program (Mon. afternoon)
 - Odyssey Program & Reception (Mon.)
 - ALA Inaugural Banquet (11AM - 1PM Tues.)
 - Board members are encouraged to volunteer to staff the YALSA member booth (contact the Division & Membership Promotion Committee Chair to sign up).
- **YALSA at Annual:** visit <http://tinyurl.com/YALSAan15> for information about events, programs, etc.

Emergencies: if an emergency arises and you are unable to attend the required sessions mentioned above, please inform YALSA's President and Executive Director at your earliest opportunity.