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Hot Off the Press

CLA Releases Position Statement regarding Federal Government Library Consolidation and Closure

The Canadian Library Association (CLA) is troubled about budget cuts to Library and Archives Canada and federal government library services. There has been much public debate and discussion about these reductions and very little information forthcoming from the government. CLA wishes to participate in informed dialogue regarding government library consolidation and closure and calls on the Government of Canada to provide a more thorough description of the processes taken when reviewing collections. CLA is also calling on the Government of Canada to actively engage with CLA, the archival and research communities, and other stakeholders to work on a more transparent process for the management of the valuable publicly-owned collections held by Departmental libraries and LAC. Given CLA's long history of partnership with LAC and our broad representation, it would be pleased to facilitate this discussion.

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The Young Canada Works (YCW)

program for 2014 has begun!

The Young Canada Works (YCW) program for 2014 has begun! The Canadian Library Association is seeking 3 energetic members who are prepared to volunteer their time to choose students and recent graduates who will staff over 100 positions in Canadian libraries. The CLA in partnership with the Department of Canadian Heritage delivers both the YCW in Heritage Organizations program and the Building Careers in Heritage internships. This program, a Government of Canada Youth Employment Strategy initiative, provides excellent summer employment and internships for young people aged 16-30.

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Changing Roles and Perceptions of Librarians and Library Technicians

You are being invited to participate in a research study about the changing roles of and relationships between Librarians and Library Technicians.

The purpose of this research is to identify the way roles might be changing in the two professions, what the reasons are for possible change, and what methods can be used to improve awareness between the professions.

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Freedom to Read Week February 23 - March 1, 2014

The Book and Periodical Council's (BPC) annual Freedom to Read Week Event will be held Feb 25 at the Gladstone Hotel in Toronto. The evening will feature a short play Dear Censor by the Birdtown and Swanville Theatre Troupe and the presentation of the Writers' Union of Canada's Freedom to Read Award. Mike Ridley, CLA Treasurer will present CLA's Advancement of Intellectual Freedom in Canada Award to Dale Askey, associate librarian of McMaster University during the event.

For event information : publicity@bpc.ca or
www.freedomtoread.ca

For info on the CLA award go to: [CLA AIF Award 2014](#)

Feliciter Vol. 60 , #6 (December 2014) - Transforming Spaces and Service Delivery

Guest Editors Call for Submissions

It is imperative that we continue to transform our services and space to meet the needs of 21st century library users. We are soliciting articles that reflect the theme of "Transforming Spaces and Service Delivery" for a December 2014 edition of Feliciter.

Preference will be given to those articles that:

- Articulate the overarching principles of new design
- Discuss renovations where it is apparent that the overall intent is to align space with new service design
- Discuss renovations where community/user consultation and the unique needs of community/users have been considered
- Articulate standards and best practices in space and service design

Submissions pertaining to all types of libraries will be considered as well as small, medium and large scale renovations.

The deadline to receive your articles is 1 July 2014.

Please submit your article to either of the following:

Cathy Freer-Leszczynski, Directory Customer Services, Calgary Public Library
Cathy.Freer-Leszczynski@calgarypubliclibrary.com

Christine Brown, Head of Humanities & Social Sciences Library, Weir Law Library, University of Alberta Libraries
Christine.Brown@ualberta.ca

[Download Author guidelines >>](#)

ALA Launches Free e-Government Webinar Series

The American Library Association (ALA) and the Information Policy & Access Center (iPAC) at the University of Maryland at College Park are pleased to announce the re-launch of Lib2Gov, an online e-government resource for librarians. Over the past few months, both organizations have worked to transition LibEGov-a project supported by the Institute of Museum and Library Services through a National Leadership Grant- into Lib2Gov.

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The Big Shift: Public Library Strategies for Access to Information in Any Format

From OCLC: Next Space, December 2013

Over the past several years, demand for e-books in public libraries has been on the rise. As more library users purchase e-book readers and tablet devices, the demand will continue to grow.

But access hasn't grown along with demand. While publishers and distributors have been trying to figure out the best new business models for selling e-books, libraries have sometimes been caught in the middle of their business deliberations and have historically not fared well when it comes to buying e-books.

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Winnipeg Councillor Not Happy with Carnegie Library Celebrations

Winnipeg Free Press, Feb 21, 2014

St. Vital councillor Brian Mayes says any library celebrations involving recognition of contributions

from philanthropist Andrew Carnegie should recognize he was an anti-union employer. Mayes, chairman of the city's protection and community services committee which oversees the public library, said Carnegie is recognized the world over for his support of the modern public library system

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University of Toronto iSchool Brings Library Advocacy Online - Everywhere - in its First MOOC

The U of T iSchool is proud to announce its first MOOC (Massively Open Online Course), entitled "Library Advocacy Unshushed: Values, Evidence, Action."

Wendy Newman, a Senior Fellow and Lecturer at the Faculty of Information and a Past President of the Canadian Library Association, , will offer a six-week adaptation of her popular online elective on advocacy for libraries and librarianship, giving anyone, anywhere in the world, the opportunity to learn more about advocacy for libraries and strengthening of the communities they serve.

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Registration OPEN: U of T iSchool Institute Symposium on Defining New Metrics for Library Success

Following the University of Toronto iSchool Institute's two very successful symposia, Creative Making in Libraries & Museums (check out the speakers and presentations at www.creativemaking.org), and Pushing the Envelope in Education: Roles for Libraries in MOCs and eLearning (check out the speakers and presentations at <http://www.moocsandlibraries.org/>) They are pleased to introduce their third symposium, ***Defining New Metrics for Library Success.***

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Influencing Skills: Advocacy for Public Libraries

Free FOPL (Federation of Ontario Public Libraries) Training Series

This is a summary post of the 10 hours of professional development delivered by FOPL to the library community in Fall/Winter 1013/2014.

It is available for viewing and listening any time!

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The 2014 Gelber Prize Shortlist Reveals Year's Best Foreign Affairs Books Worldwide

For Immediate Release: February 10, 2013 (Toronto and Washington): Patricia Rubin, President of the Lionel Gelber Prize Board and niece of Lionel Gelber, today announced the five books shortlisted for the 2014 Lionel Gelber Prize:

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Concordia University Libraries' 12th Annual Research Forum

Proposals are now being accepted for Concordia University Libraries' 12th Annual Research Forum, in the beautiful city of Montreal. This year's Research Forum will be held on Monday, April 14th, 2014, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm, at the Loyola Jesuit Hall and Conference Centre.

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Liverpool, UK spends £55 Million to Revamp Central Library

Mail Online, Feb 22, 2014

There are certainly no musty corners or books

gathering dust in this library.

After three years and £55 million the Liverpool Central Library is finally due to be re-opened this week - and is already drawing gasps at the stunning result.

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News From CLA Committees and Networks

CLA networks are established by and for CLA members and non-members: they provide an area for focus on member-identified needs within the broad national library and information community. Networks may be established in a variety of areas, including but not limited to: a type of library activity; a type of material; a type of library or library patron; a geographic location; a social, political or educational issue; a category of worker in the information sector.

There is no cost to join these networks. To subscribe, simply e-mail membership@cla.ca indicating your preferred networks.

The CLA Library and Literacy Services for Indigenous Peoples of Canada Network

The CLAs Library and Literacy Services for Indigenous Peoples of Canada Network welcomes new members and encourages on-going participation. The network was reformed in 2012 to determine the library and information needs of Canada's native peoples; to make recommendations concerning the recruitment and training of native personnel to serve the library and information needs of native peoples and to make recommendations on personnel and resources needed to provide library and information services to native peoples. There will be a session at CLA 2014 in May on "Creating Indigenous Classification Systems: A Model to Reclaim Collections and Meet Local Needs" and a network event so please come and get involved. We also have a dynamic listserve at abin@yahogroups.com for anyone interested to become a member and keep abreast of new developments in Indigenous Librarianship.

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CLA Challenges Survey for 2013 Calendar Year -- Extended Deadline to March 31, 2014

This is a reminder of our request to the Canadian library community to contribute to this important survey of challenges to materials and policies in Canadian libraries. Please note the participation deadline has been extended to March 31, 2014.

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CLA Student Chapter at the University of Western Ontario is Seeking Mentors

As part of its professional mentorship program, the student chapter of the Canadian Library Association at the University of Western Ontario is seeking mentors who are willing to share their professional experience with Library and Information Science students.

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Call for Papers - Student Views: Research from Canada's LIS Programs

The Canadian Library Association will host a student research paper presentation program at the CLA Annual Conference in May in Victoria, BC.

MLIS and LIT students, as well as recent graduates, are encouraged to submit presentation proposals. This is your opportunity to showcase and present your work at a national conference.

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**2014 CLA Conference &
Trade Show**

Victoria, British Columbia

May 28 - May 31, 2014

<http://www.cla.ca/conference/2014/>

Presidential Theme 2014:

*Building Bridges to the Future: Colleagues,
Collaboration and Consultation will get us there!*

Registration and Program for the CLA 2014 Conference is Now Available

The Canadian library community will gather in Victoria from May 28 to 31, 2014 at the Victoria Conference Centre.

CLA 2014 will be an action-packed event with opportunities for education, edification, entertainment and engagement.

Check out the [full program](#) for details of the wide range of activities, sessions, pre-conferences, meetings and social events.

**Early-bird registration rates are valid until
April 18, 2014.**

To register online: sign in with your CLA member number to ensure you receive your member discount.

Not a member? Join today and take advantage of the discounted member registration fee.

See you in Victoria!

Support

For bulk registrations (two or more) please contact Wendy Walton, wwalton@cla.ca

For assistance logging in to your CLA account, or setting up a new CLA account, please contact Geraldine Hyland, ghyland@cla.ca.

For technical issues while registering contact Penny Warne, pwarne@cla.ca

CLA Awards

**Call for Award and Scholarship
Nominations 2014**

The Canadian Library Association is proud to present the Call for Award Nominations 2014. The CLA Awards promote the recognition of excellence, outstanding service, innovation, and dedication to the Canadian library community and the values of the Canadian Library Association amongst CLA members. Please nominate a colleague(s) by 28 February, 2014 unless otherwise noted.

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CLA Workshops and Webinars

3 CLA Webinars being held in March 2014 - one hour practical sessions that will help you to improve your professional skills

Date: Wednesday, March 5, 2014 - Time: 2pm (ET)

"Good Enough" Information: Threat or Opportunity?

Speaker: Maggie Weaver

Date: Tuesday, March 11, 2014 - Time: 2pm (ET)

Leading from the Centre: Using Basic Project Management Tools to Support Innovation

Speaker: Nancy MacKenzie, Senior Manager, Calgary Public Library

Date: Thursday, March 13, 2014 - Time: 2pm (ET)

Herding Cats: Leading Teams Over Whom You Have No Formal Authority

Speaker: Ulla de Stricker

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Archived recordings of Rebecca Jones' and Ulla de Stricker's February webinar presentations are available. Please contact ghyland@cla.ca for details.

Library Careers

Employers? Ads range from \$175 - \$300 per month (depending on level of membership)! Job Seekers? Free to access and apply!

Check out this week's career ads:

[Director, Collections + Technologies](#)

Oakville Public Library,
Oakville, Ontario

[Knowledge Synthesis Librarian](#)

The University of Manitoba Libraries, University of
Manitoba,
Winnipeg, Manitoba

[Manager, City-Wide Services](#)

Toronto Public Library,
Toronto, Ontario

Look to CLA for all your career ad needs! With over 16,000 page views monthly, it ranks the highest-viewed area on the CLA website

People

New Chief Librarian at UBC Okanagan Campus

The new Chief Librarian at the UBC Okanagan campus is Heather Berringer.

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Bill Ptacek appointed as new CEO of the Calgary Public Library

From the Calgary Herald, Feb. 12, 2014

For a man who has been in the same job for a quarter of a century, Bill Ptacek is quick on his feet when the right chance comes along.

As a young man from the tough, south side of Chicago, he didn't wait when he found the right girl 38 years ago. He and Margaret were walking down the aisle two months after their first date.

Now, at the age of 63, he is making another bold move in leaving the job as head of one of America's most successful library services and moving north across the border.

This month Ptacek takes over as CEO of Calgary's public libraries, and it's a challenge for which he is ready.

CLA is Pleased to Welcome the Following New Members

Institutional Members

SAIT Polytechnic
Library Information
Technology, Calgary,
AB

Personal Members

Emanuel Actarian,
Ottawa, ON
Janet Donaldson,
Ste-Anne-de
Bellevue, QC
Julia Garnett,
Victoria, BC
Kathy Garrett, New
York, NY USA
Jacqueline George,
Canning, NS
Kristi Pecor,
Gabriola. BC
Kate Pollock, Victoria,
BC
Beverly Rintoul,
Rossland, BC
Celeste Seguin,
Ottawa, ON
Martin Walters,
Beaumont, AB
Amanda Wells,
Edmonton, AB
Carol Canzona,
Oakville, ON

Student Members

Crystal Beamer,
Elmira, ON
Scott Cowan, London,
ON
Kaja Dawkins,
Vancouver, BC
Portia Dodds,
Toronto, ON
Emily Dracup, Cavan,
ON
Monique Fiedler-Sills,
Edmonton, AB
Lyndsey Janzen,
London, ON
Kathy Johnson,
Burnaby, BC
Wesleyann Johnson,
Holly MI USA
Michelina Pagliuso,
Edmonton, AB
Katherine Reddy,
Montreal, QC
Breann Ronquist,
London, ON
Caroline Stephenson,
Aurora, ON
Susan Tordy, Aurora,
ON
Sadie Tucker,
Burnaby, BC
Tristene Villanyi
Bokor, Ottawa, ON
Doris Wagner,
London, ON
Cindy Wong,
Scarborough, ON
Wendy Wright,
Denman Island, BC

