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Results of the Special General Meeting - January 27, 2016

The Canadian Library Association (CLA) has taken the first formal step to establish a new unified national library advocacy organization.

CLA has been the national voice of the Canadian library community since 1946 and has profoundly changed the awareness of libraries and advanced many issues of critical importance to libraries and to Canadians. The work of CLA has created a permanent legacy that positively impacts Canadian libraries and all Canadians. At the Special General Meeting of the Canadian Library Association held Wednesday January 27, 2016 in Toronto, the membership voted to dissolve the Association.

The dissolution of CLA follows an extensive process during which CLA worked with a large number of library associations across Canada to develop a proposal to advance the interests of libraries. The [proposed Canadian Federation of Library Associations](#) unifies the diverse library communities across Canada. CLA's membership took this decision with a view to the future. Changing times and a proliferation of other library associations has seen a decline in CLA membership resulting in challenges in sustaining an effective organization. It was clearly time to reconsider the viability of the organization. The Executive Committee unanimously supported the motion to dissolve CLA in order to enable the creation of a new national federation. Over the next few months CLA will undertake the normal requirements to wind down an organization and pave the way for the Federation.

While the demise of CLA is regrettable, the rise of the Federation as a new and more effective voice for Canada's libraries is a reason to celebrate. [Read More](#)

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2016 CLA Forum News



As you may be aware on January 27th, 2016 the Canadian Library Association (CLA) membership voted to dissolve the CLA predicated on a proposal for the creation of a new national association that will focus advocacy, research and policy. That being said, we wish to assure the community that the CLA Forum will continue as planned on June 1-3, 2016 in Ottawa.

Our program planning to date includes a new format that will reflect the proposed direction for the new Canadian Federation of Library Associations and that will work within the confines of a new space which means our traditional program and layout of the trade show floor will change.

Why should you attend? We are developing a strong program that will focus on 10 topics that are of great significance within the library community and in the end will form an advisory document of recommendations that will be presented to the Canadian Federation of Library Associations.

The 10 topics curated by CLA and member advisers include:

- LAC / National Digitization Strategy
- TRC Response
- Copyright / IP
- Digital Marketplace
- Intellectual Freedom
- Convergence "LAM" (Libraries, Archives, Museums)
- National Digital Strategy
- Unconference: Emerging Topics
- Competitive Landscapes (Value / ROI / Why Libraries)

- National Metrics

In addition to the program, we will include opportunities for networking with colleagues and the library vendor community in lunch and learn sessions as well as a newly formatted Supplier Show Case.

The forum will kick-off on Wednesday June 1st with an opening keynote at 1PM, optional network/committee meetings as well as the Innovative Technology session will run during the morning.

The forum will conclude Friday June 3rd after lunch.

Stay tuned for updates!

As forum details become available, updates will be posted at www.CLAconference.ca. 2015 conference highlights and materials will still be available.

Follow the conference discussions on twitter #claott16

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Library Careers

Check out the latest career ads and find out more details by visiting CLA Library Careers Listing:

Website Support (temporary contract)

Canadian Library Association, Ottawa, ON

Closing date: Monday, February 8, 2016 at 12:00 PM EST

Public Services Librarian

J.A. Weir Memorial Law Library & Rutherford Humanities and Social Sciences Library,
University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

Salary: \$59,807 - \$119,547

Closing date: February 29, 2016

Engineering Librarian

Bern Dibner Library, NYU Tandon School of Engineering, Brooklyn, NY, USA

Salary: not given

Closing date: CVs will be considered until the position is filled

Associate Director for Research and Instructional Technology Services

NYU Shanghai Library, Shanghai, China

Salary: not given

Closing date: CVs will be considered until the position is filled

University Librarian

James A.Gibson Library, Brock University, St. Catherine's, ON

Salary: Not given

Closing date: March 4, 2016

Library Director/Directeur ou directrice de la Bibliothèque

New Brunswick Public Library Service/Le Service des bibliothèques publiques du Nouveau-Brunswick, Beresford, NB

Salary: Not given

Closing date: March 2, 2016/Le 2 mars, 2016

Community Library Consultant

Manitoba Public Library Services Branch, Brandon, MB

Salary: \$52,049 - \$63,794

Closing date: February 15, 2016

Electronic Resources and Assessment Librarian

Thompson Rivers University, Kamloops, BC

Salary: Not given

Closing date: February 29, 2016

Land Information Coordinator - Alberta

The Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC), Calgary, AB

Salary: Not given

Closing date: February 10, 2016

Associate Chief Librarians

Western Libraries, London ON

Salary: Not given

Review of applications begins: February 29, 2016

Reference/Instruction Librarian II

Gerard V. La Forest Law Library, University of New Brunswick (UNB), Fredericton, NB

Salary: Not given

Closing date: February 29, 2016

Check out several more postings on [CLA Library Careers Listing](#)

Employers? 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. Ads range from \$225 - \$350 per month (depending on level of membership)!

Young Canada Works

Summer Jobs

We are delighted to report that 105 libraries have submitted applications for 143 positions for the Summer Jobs Program. In addition to applications already submitted, there are 14 libraries who have begun, but not completed applications. The YCW Coordinator will follow up with each library and the hope is that they will complete applications for 14 additional positions (not included in the total mentioned above).

Under the terms of the Contribution Agreement with Heritage Canada, CLA can fund up to 100 positions and if every library completes their application, this year, we will have a total of 119 libraries applying for 157 positions.

Internships

9 libraries have applied for 10 positions. There are an additional 3 applications uncompleted in the system. If these additional applications are completed, the total number of internship applications will be 12 libraries applying for 14 positions. Under the terms of the Contribution Agreement with Heritage Canada, CLA can fund to fund up to 4 internships.

Selection Committee

This Committee will meet in late February to select applications to be funded. CLA would like to express its gratitude to the members who have generously offered their time and talent to assist in selecting libraries to be funded by these very worthy programs.

For questions regarding YCW, please contact:

Jon MacDougall

Program Coordinator, Young Canada Works

Canadian Library Association

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Ottawa, Ontario, K2H8S9

613-232-6325 ext 321

ycw@cla.ca

On behalf of the Canadian Library Association and the Department of Canadian Heritage, we thank you for your continued interest and support of the Young Canada Works program.

Workshops / Webinars / Events

How Does The New Policy Influence Us In Our Daily Learning Commons Adventures?

This revised series supports the Alberta Learning Commons Policy with ideas, tools, and participant activities in a series of 6 webinars framed on using A Guide to Support Implementation, Essential Conditions. The series is in three parts in order to allow participants to use the information in their learning commons developments over a period of time in their schools. The revision puts greater focus on participant's sharing of learning commons questions, journeys, ideas, challenges and successes.

Part I: Developing Shared Vision and Leadership (Two Webinars)

Part I provides background on the Alberta Learning Commons Policy, resources that can support it, and context specific charting and planning. Guiding questions will include:

- * What are the desired elements of a learning commons?
- * How will the school 'get there'; e.g. short range, long range? What will success look like?
- * Who should be on a learning commons team? What will the team need to know and understand?

Part II: Examining Research and Evidence; Rethinking Resources and Engaging the Community (Two Webinars)

Part II incorporates how principals and library teams revisit their own learning commons visions and plans to:

- * reflect upon and share research relating to transforming to a learning commons
- * decide on how to best gather evidence for learning commons student learning and use the data to re--think resources (e.g., human, print, digital)
- * bring the community into the process at all stages

Part III: Professional Growth and Time (Two Webinars)

Part III involves support for planning around professional growth and time, and creating networks in support of learning commons development. Ideas explored will include:

- * establishing dialogue groups for learning commons teams to meet with other teams nearby and share timely topics
- * conference/in-service information
- * new professional resources.

Presenter(s):

Linda Shantz-Keresztes and Judith Sykes (CLA School Library Advisory)

Date: January - April, 2016 (Mondays or Thursdays)

Time: 4:30PM MST

Duration: 1 HR Webinar

Price: No cost to attend, must pre-register

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Liaison Librarianship: Assessment and Ambivalence

The drumbeat of assessment has become the cadence of higher education. But measuring the work of liaison librarians is much more complicated than doing a gate count, especially when it comes to the relationships we nurture with faculty. Join us for a panel discussion about the challenge of assessing liaison activity:

- What is the purpose of assessment in the context of liaison librarianship?
- Why is it complicated?
- Why are some librarians resistant?
- Could customer relationship management (CRM) be a solution?
- What is the role of organizational structure?

Presenters: Andy Spackman, Roger Schonfeld, Barbara Rockenbach, Jonathan Miller

Date: Thursday, February 18, 2016

Time: 1 pm EST

Duration: One-hour webinar

Price: \$45 for OLA members / \$55 for non-members

Continuing Education Certificate credits: 1

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ALCTS Web Course: Fundamentals of Electronic Resources Acquisitions

Session 1: February 8 - March 4, 2016

This four-week online course provides an overview of acquiring, providing access to, administering, supporting, and monitoring access to electronic resources. Gives a basic background in electronic resource acquisitions including product trials, licensing, purchasing methods, and pricing models and will provide an overview of the sometimes complex relationships between vendors, publishers, platform providers, and libraries. The course was developed by Dalene Hawthorne, Head of Systems and Technical Services, Emporia State University.

Who Should Attend?

This is a fundamentals course that will appeal to anyone interested in the topic with no previous experience.

Instructors:

- Jesse Holden, Account Services Manager, EBSCO Information Services
- Xan Arch, Director of Collection Services, Reed College
- Elizabeth Winter, Head of Collection Acquisitions & Management, Georgia Tech Library
- Susan Davis, Acquisitions Librarian for Continuing Resources, SUNY at Buffalo
- Lisa Mackinder, Head of Acquisitions and Collection Services, Ohio University

Registration Fee: \$109 ALCTS Member and \$139 Non-member

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ALCTS Web Course: Fundamentals of Preservation

Session 1: February 8 - March 4, 2016

Four-week online course that introduces participants to the principles, policies and practices of preservation in libraries and archives. It is designed to inform all staff, across divisions and departments and at all levels of responsibility. Provides tools to begin extending the useful life of library collections.

Course components:

- Preservation as a formal library function, and how it reflects and supports the institutional mission
- The primary role of preventive care, including good storage conditions, emergency planning, and careful handling of collections
- The history and manufacture of physical formats and how this impacts on preservation options
- Standard methods of care and repair, as well as reformatting options
- Challenges in preserving digital content and what the implications are for the future of scholarship

Who Should Attend?

Designed to inform all staff, across divisions and departments and at all levels of responsibility. Provides tools to begin extending the useful life of library collections.

Course Level & Prerequisites

This is a fundamentals course with no prerequisites. [Course Syllabus](#)

Instructors

- Donia Conn, Preservation Consultant for Cultural Heritage Collections
- Dawn Aveline, Preservation Officer, UCLA
- Karen O'Connell, Preservation Coordinator, Georgetown University Library
- Julie Mosbo, William and Susan Ouren Preservation Librarian, Texas A&M University Libraries
- Jacob Nadal, Executive Director, ReCAP, Princeton University Library
- Annie Peterson, Preservation Librarian, Tulane University
- Roger Smith, University of California - San Diego
- Peter D. Verheyen, Syracuse University Library

Registration Fee: \$109 ALCTS Member and \$139 Non-member

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ALCTS Web Course: Fundamentals of Collection Assessment

Session 1: February 22 - April 1, 2016

This six-week online course introduces the fundamental aspects of collection assessment in libraries. The course is designed for those who are responsible for or interested in collection assessment in all types and sizes of libraries. The course will introduce key concepts in collection assessment including:

- the definition of collection assessment,
- techniques and tools,
- assessment of print and electronic collections, and
- project design and management.

Learning Outcomes:

At the end of this course, you will be able to:

- describe the fundamental aspects of collection assessment
- understand the various collection assessment methods and tools, including both qualitative and quantitative analysis
- design and implement a collection assessment project
- perform a collection assessment of print resources
- complete a collection assessment of electronic resources

Who Should Attend?

This is a fundamentals course that will appeal to anyone interested in the topic with no previous experience.

Instructors:

- Ginger Williams, Acquisitions Librarian, Wichita State University
- Andrea Wirth, Digital Scholarship Librarian, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- Alison M. Armstrong, Collection Management Librarian, Radford University
- Teresa Negrucci, Resource Acquisition and Management Librarian, Brown University
- Miranda Bennett, Head of Liaison Services for Collections & Research Support, University of Houston

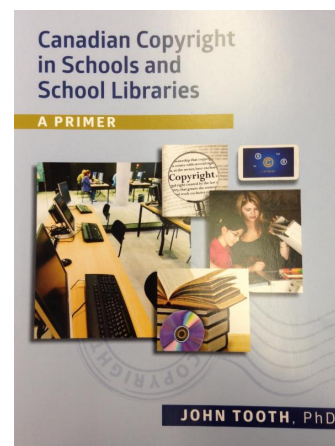
Registration Fees: \$109 ALCTS Member and \$139 Non-member

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Canadian Copyright in Schools and Libraries Author: John Tooth
Softcover
ISBN:978-0-88802-345-2
Price: \$39.95



Canadian Copyright in Schools and School Libraries addresses copyright issues that typically arise in those educational settings. The author's goal is to provide some direction to help school staff across Canada answer copyright questions in their daily work. This publication offers some focus for the reasonable handling of copyright issues based on legal interpretation and case law.

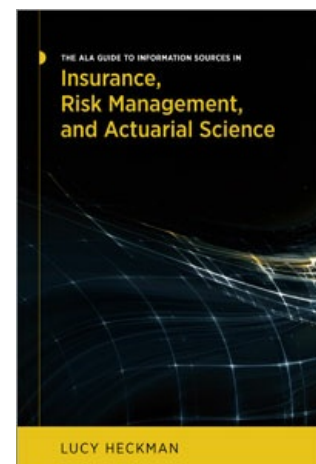
John Tooth is a professional librarian and educator with an MLIS from the University of Western Ontario, an MEd and PhD from the University of Winnipeg.

After a brief retirement, John accepted a position as Copyright Officer and Head of the Copyright Office for the University of Winnipeg Library beginning in October 2012. Prior to this, he was coordinator of the Instructional Resources Unit of Manitoba Education, and served as the copyright consultant for the Department and for schools for some 35 years. He now undertakes education and copyright consulting work.

To order this and other titles, please submit your inquiry at [shop CLA](#)

The ALA Guide to Information Sources in Insurance, Risk Management

Author: Lucy Heckman
Softcover
ISBN-13: 978-0-8389-1275-1
Price: \$ 95.00



The insurance industry is among the most highly regulated industries today, and literature on the field is a complex thicket of sources. This valuable, one-of-a-kind resource is a comprehensive guide to locating and using information resources about the insurance industry. Pointing researchers, practitioners, faculty and students of business administration, law firms, and anybody interested in researching the insurance industry to the most relevant information, each chapter contains an annotated list of specific print and digital sources, plus explanations on how to make best use of sometimes-forbidding technical materials. Included are company directories, almanacs, databases, websites, legal resources, and industry-specific guides that cover

- All major lines of insurance, including property/casualty, life, health, and reinsurance
- Social Insurance, including Social Security, unemployment insurance, and pensions
- The insurance policy from the standpoint of practitioners, regulators, and

consumers

- Insurance law and regulations
- All areas of risk management including financial, technical and intellectual property
- Actuarial science and its current applications to financial engineering
- Archival and historical material

Including an introduction defining risk management and describing its use in the insurance industry and the field of actuarial science, this resource is a must for every reference collection.

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Dewey Decimal & Library of Congress Classification

Author: Christina Neigel

176 pages, Softcover

ISBN

978-0-88802-342-1

Price: \$ 49.00



Christina Neigel's much anticipated publication An Introduction to Dewey Decimal & Library of Congress Classification Systems: A Workbook is now available for distribution. Ms. Neigel states that "this book presents and introduction to the two major North American systems of classification" providing "readers with the foundational skills to build basic classification notations and recognize their meaning and significance when using existing library records."

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Any Questions?

Author: Marie-Louise Gay

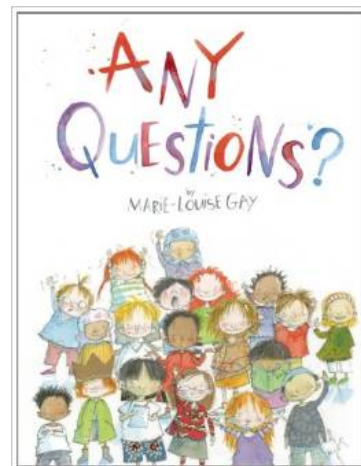
Hardcover

ISBN 978-1-55498-382-7

Price: \$ 19.95

Note: This is a signed copy by the author. Limited quantities remain.

Many children want to know where stories come from and how a book is made. Marie-Louise Gay's new picture book provides them with some delightfully inspiring answers in a fictional encounter between an author and some very curious children, who collaborate on writing and illustrating a story.



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The Night Gardener

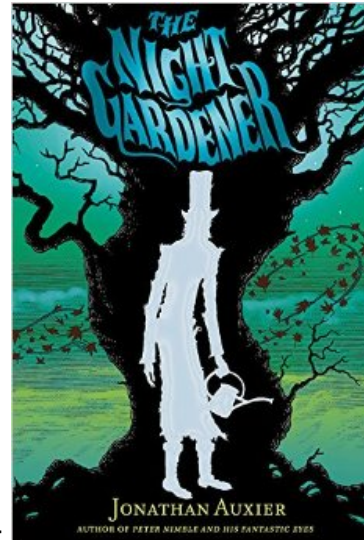
Author: Jonathon Auxier

Hardcover

ISBN 978-0-670-06772-5

Price: \$ 19.95

Note: This is a signed copy by the author. Limited quantities remain.



When orphaned Irish siblings Molly and Kip arrive to work as servants at a creepy, crumbling English manor house, they discover that the house and its inhabitants are not what they seem. Soon the siblings are confronted by a mysterious stranger and the secrets of the cursed house will change their lives forever. This much-anticipated follow up to Jonathan Auxier's exceptional debut, *Peter Nimble and His Fantastic Eyes*, is a Victorian mystery in the tradition of Washington Irving and Edgar Allan Poe. *The Night Gardener* is a mesmerizing read and a classic in the making.

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This One Summer

Author: Jillian Tamaki and Mariko Tamaki

Softcover

ISBN 978-1-59643-774-6

Price: \$ 18.95

Note: Limited quantities remain.



Rose and Windy are summer friends whose families have visited Awago Beach for as long as they can remember. But this year is different, and they soon find themselves tangled in teen love and family crisis. From the creators of *Skim* comes an investigation into the mysterious world of adults.

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Member Updates

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Network and Committee News

Voices for School Libraries The Winter 2016 edition of the online journal, School Libraries in Canada is now available. Please click here to [read more](#).

Awards, Grants & Scholarships

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The Canadian Library Association is proud to present the Call for Nominations 2016. 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 29 February 2016 unless otherwise noted.

Complete information on criteria and judging, prizes, nominations and applicable forms are available on the CLA website www.cla.ca or on request from the CLA office at info@cla.ca

Learn more about the awards offered by the Canadian Library Association:

Support of Core Principles:

- CLA Outstanding Service to Librarianship Award
- CLA/OCLC Award for Innovative Technology
- CLA/Ken Haycock Award for Promoting Librarianship

Recognition of Members:

- CLA/Alan MacDonald Mentorship Award (New)
- CLA Emerging Leader Award (New)
- Kaye Lamb Award for Service to Seniors

Recognition of Research:

- Best Poster Presentation Award
- CLA Robert H. Blackburn Distinguished Paper Award
- CLA Student Article Award
- Angela Thacker Memorial Award

CLA Research and Development Grant

CLA awards one or more grants totaling \$1,000 annually, when merited, to personal

members of the Canadian Library Association / Association canadienne des bibliothèques. The objectives of the grant are: to support theoretical and applied research in the field of library and information services; to encourage and support research undertaken by practitioners in the field of library and information services; to promote research in the field of library and information services by and/or about Canadians.

For more information and to apply, please [click here](#).

Deadline for receipt of applications is February 28, 2016.

H.W. Wilson and CLA Dafoe Scholarships

In a continuing tradition of commitment to excellence in library education and advancement of continuing research in the field of library and information science, the Canadian Library Association/Association canadienne des bibliothèques is pleased to announce once again the availability of H.W. Wilson and CLA Dafoe Scholarships for 2016.

Awarded annually, when merited, to a student entering a Canadian school offering an accredited Master's degree in library or information studies. Consideration is given to academic achievement, leadership potential and demonstrated interest in the profession.

Scholarship candidates must be commencing studies for their first professional library degree at an ALA accredited program. Candidates who have already begun their studies are not eligible.

For more information and to apply, please [click here](#).

Deadline for receipt of applications is May 1, 2016.

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Community Highlights

Freedom to Read Week - February 21-27, 2016

Freedom to Read Week is an annual event that encourages Canadians to think about and reaffirm their commitment to intellectual freedom, which is guaranteed them under the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.



Freedom to Read Week is organized by the Freedom of Expression Committee of the Book and Periodical Council. To read more on how to participate visit the website

www.freedomtoread.ca

Library and Archives Canada names Anne Lindsay as the Documentary Heritage Communities Program Regional Ambassador for the North and indigenous projects.

Library and Archives Canada (LAC) is pleased to announce that Anne Lindsay has been named as the Documentary Heritage Communities Program's Regional Ambassador for the North and indigenous projects.

Anne Lindsay is a research and access archivist with the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation at the University of Manitoba. Anne has worked with indigenous individuals, organizations and communities throughout her career, which has deepened her commitment to support their participation in archives and archiving in Canada.

As Regional Ambassador of the Documentary Heritage Communities Program, Anne will assist and support the local documentary heritage community on behalf of LAC during the current application period. For more information on this subject, please visit the Program Website at www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/contributions.

OCLS Appoints New Executive Director

The Board of Directors of the Ontario Colleges Library Service (OCLS) is pleased to announce the appointment of Ms. Virginia Roy as the new Executive Director, effective February 8, 2016.

Ms. Roy's appointment follows a national search undertaken by the Board, with the assistance of LHH Knightsbridge executive search services that attracted a large number of highly qualified candidates. [Read More](#)

IFLA President Donna Scheeeder invites you to the IFLA President's Meeting 2016.

To be held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada on 6-9 April 2016. Under the title of "A Call to Action: Building the Change Agenda for the Information Profession"

Keynotes talks, presentations and discussion will focus on the four central themes of the change agenda:

- Personal competencies and library education
- The institutional agenda building transformative services aligned with community needs
- Advocacy for a national policy agenda
- IFLA and the global policy agenda

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Information Studies Career Fair 2016

The students from McGill University and Université de Montréal are proud to present the Information Studies Career Fair 2016 on March 18, 2016

This event is a unique networking opportunity for employers, professional associations, students, and graduates from Certificate and Masters Programs in Information Studies. This gathering is a perfect time for you to promote your organization and to offer employment, internships, and volunteering opportunities to more than 500 students, both current and graduating, from McGill University and Université de Montréal as well as other institutions.

Organized by and for students since 2003, the Information Studies Career Fair aims to be the premier event in Quebec for careers in: librarianship, archives, knowledge management, information architecture, record management, database management and more. [Read More](#)

Call Letter for Library and Archives Canada's Contributions Program

Library and Archives Canada (LAC) is pleased to announce the launch of the 2016-2017 funding cycle for the Documentary Heritage Communities Program (DHCP). This contribution program is a collaborative approach which will ensure the outreach of Canada's local documentary heritage communities.

The contributions will support the development of Canada's local archival and library communities, as well as their professional associations, by increasing their capacity to preserve, provide access to and promote documentary heritage and will provide opportunities for local documentary heritage communities to evolve and remain sustainable.

LAC invites all eligible organizations to apply at their earliest convenience. The deadline for the 2016-2017 funding cycle is February 26, 2016 at 11:59 p.m. Pacific Time. [Read More](#)

IFLA 2016 National Committee Fellowship Grant Announced!

The IFLA 2016 National Committee, through generous donations from the North American library community, will offer up to 50 full fellowships to librarians from outside North America (U.S. and Canada) to attend the IFLA 2016 Congress in Columbus, Ohio.

The fellowship will cover travel, accommodation, a per diem food allowance, and conference registration fees. Priority will be given to younger professionals with a minimum of 5 years experience in the field of libraries who do not usually attend IFLA Conferences.

[More information on the Application Process](#) can be found on the Congress Website.

In Memorium

It is with great sadness that IFLA notes the passing of our colleague and friend Russell Bowden. For several decades Russell was very involved in IFLA activities, serving as: Executive Board member (1989-1995), founding member and Chair of Management of Library Associations (1983-1987), Standing Committee member with the Section on

Education and Training (1979-2001), Chair of the IFLA Journal Editorial Committee (1983-1989) and from 1991-1995 as IFLA First Vice President. In 1995 Russell was made an Honorary Fellow of IFLA. Russell's death is a great loss to all of us who knew him, especially those in IFLA and the Sri Lankan LIS community. He will be greatly missed. The IFLA Asia and Oceania Section invites colleagues to post condolences on their [Facebook page](#).

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News From the Community

Call for Proposals are constantly updated and arranged in order of due date.

IFLA Annual Congress - Calls for Papers for the Open Sessions and Satellite

Sessions The content of the IFLA Conference Program is organized by different professional groups (Sections, Core Programs and Special Interest Groups). Calls for papers will be submitted through these groups and made available on the IFLA call for paper webpage. There are over 60 topics available in the various calls with various due dates. Please visit the IFLA Call for Papers section for more information. [Read More](#)

Call for articles - March 2016 issue of Focus on International Library and Information Work

[Focus on International Library and Information Work](#) is aimed at library and information professionals interested in, or working in, international perspectives of the work. Focus is not peer-reviewed, and articles are primarily intended to introduce new ideas and programmes, report on activities and experiences, etc., rather than as a vehicle for 'academic treatises'. Copy is invited for the forthcoming and future issues of Focus. If you would like to write or contribute an article for the upcoming March 2016 issue, please contact the editor John Lake at johnbruce_@hotmail.com and he will be able to advise on the deadlines.

ABQLA Professional Development Awards

Win one of two awards of up to \$1000 and complimentary registration for the ABQLA Annual Conference. Formerly known as Travel Bursaries, the Professional Development Awards have now been expanded to include attendance or presentations at conferences, workshops or seminars and participation in courses. Application deadline: February 11, 2016. [Read More](#)

ABQLA Student Scholarship:

Win \$1000 and complimentary registration for the ABQLA Annual Conference. Application deadline: February 11, 2016. [Read More](#)

2016 RBC Bronwen Wallace Award

Candidates are invited to submit 5-10 pages (up to 2,500 words) of previously unpublished

short fiction to the 2016 RBC Bronwen Wallace Award.

A \$5,000 grand prize winner will be announced on June 8.

Two honourable mentions will each receive \$1,000.

To be eligible, candidates must be:

- A Canadian citizen or permanent resident
- Under the age of 35 as of March 7, 2016
- Previously published in an independently edited literary magazine, journal, or anthology
- Unpublished in book form and without a book contract

Manuscript pages must not include identifying information. Please number pages consecutively. By submitting to this award, candidates grant the Writers' Trust of Canada permission to publish their work in print and digital formats should they be shortlisted. All rights reserved by the author. Submission deadline is March 7, 2016 [Read More](#)

CILIP Conference 2016 - Call for Papers now open

The CILIP Conference (Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals) takes place on 12-13 July 2016 at The Dome, Brighton, UK. The conference will seek to inspire our audience, share knowledge, raise debate and provide networking opportunities. It will cover a broad range of issues from across the library, information and knowledge professions.

We are seeking entries for papers, and nominations for any individuals or groups who would fit in with the conference programme. Papers due February 12, 2016 [Read More](#)

IFLA's Committee on Standards - Call for Papers Invites proposals for papers to be presented at their session IFLA Standards Making a Difference? during the IFLA World Library and Information Congress in Columbus, Ohio, USA, August 13-19, 2016.

The session will focus on the practical impact of IFLA Standards and Guidelines within the Library and Information community. We would welcome papers that discuss:

- Initiatives where IFLA standards have been used for advocacy, decision making and project implementation.
- Case studies on how IFLA Sections are undertaking revisions and developing new standards

Participants are encouraged to discuss both successes and failures within their papers and preference will be given to presentations that will equip participants with ideas and skills that are transferrable. Proposals should be sent before 14 February 2016, For more information contact: Jan Richards, Chair, Committee on Standards, jrichards@orange.nsw.gov.au

Reminder - Documentary Heritage Communities Program

Just a reminder that the 2016-2017 funding cycle deadline for Library and Archives

Canada's Documentary Heritage Communities Program (DHCP) is February 26, 2016 at 11:59 p.m. (Pacific Standard Time).

Please note that successfully funded projects must be completed by the end of the Government of Canada fiscal year (March 31, 2017), with the exception of multi-year projects.

For more information, please find the DHCP

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