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Hot Off the Press

CLA Executive Council Meets in Toronto Feb 2-3

2014 President Marie DeYoung convened the first meeting and orientation of the 2014 Executive Council on Feb 2-3 at Ryerson University following OLA. Highlights include:



- Review and approval of the 2014 Strategic Action Plan (available soon on www.cla.ca)
- Review and approval of the CLA Statement on the closure and consolidation of federal government libraries (available soon on www.cla.ca)
- Confirmation of the 2014 recipient of the CLA Advancement of Intellectual Freedom Award, to be presented in Toronto on Feb 25 during Freedom to Read Week and announced the week of February 10th.
- Approval of two new CLA Network: [Next Generation Network](#). This brings the number of CLA networks to 25.
- Receipt of the [CLA Brief to the Royal Society of Canada's Expert Panel on the Future of Canada's Libraries and Archives](#). CLA Treasurer Mike Ridley and Councillor Jane Schmidt presented the brief to the panel at meeting earlier in January
- Receipt of the 2013 Financial Statements (unaudited) and approval of the 2014 Budget
- Review of the program for 2014 CLA Conference in Victoria May 28 to May 31.
- Addressing the imperative to review/revise the CLA Constitution and Bylaws as required by the new Canada Not-For-Profit Corporations Act by October 17, 2014. Members will receive information prior to the AGM in Victoria May 2014.

The Executive Council meets three times for face-to-face meetings throughout the year and monthly via teleconference. Face to face meetings are open to members. There is also provision for electronic voting and decision making.

Executive Council members include: **Marie DeYoung**, President (St Mary's University), **Sandra Singh**, V-President/President-Elect (Vancouver Public Library), **Mike Ridley**, Treasurer (Guelph University), Councillors **Jane Schmidt** (Ryerson University), **Lorna Rourke** (St Jerome's University, Waterloo),

Marc Truitt (Mount Allison University) and Valoree McKay (CLA Executive Director/Ex Officio).
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CLA E.D. Valoree McKay learns the ropes

After only three days on the job, CLA's new Executive Director, Valoree McKay jumped deep into the library world by attending the OLA Super Conference in Toronto (Jan 29-Feb 1). She spent her time meeting dozens of people and learning about the key library issues. One of the events she attended was Libraries Change Lives by Richard Wagamese, award-winning Native Author and one of Canada's foremost story tellers. Wagamese will also be one of the keynote speakers at [CLA in Victoria](#).



Photo credit Jeff Burnham. Top row l-r Valoree McKay (CLA Executive Director), Sabrina Saunders (Six Nations Public Library), author Richard Wagamese, Patty Lawlor (First Nations Consultant, SOLS), bottom row l-r Feather Luke (Timmons Public Library) and Karen Lewis (Kanhiote Tyendingaga Territory First Nation Public Library).

CLA Meets RSC

CLA President Marie DeYoung, interim Executive Director Barb Clubb, Past president Pilar Martinez with Dr Patricia Demers, Chair of the Royal Society of Canada Expert Panel on the Future of Canada's Libraries and Archives at the OLA Super Conference Jan 31.



Photo l-r; Marie DeYoung, Barb Clubb, Dr. Patricia Demers, Pilar Martinez

[To read CLA's submission to the panel >>](#)

Publication of the RDA Element Vocabularies

The Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA (JSC), Metadata Management Associates, and ALA Publishing (on behalf of the co-publishers of RDA) are pleased to announce that the RDA elements and relationship designators have been published in the Open Metadata Registry (OMR) as Resource Description Framework (RDF) element sets suitable for linked data and semantic Web applications.

The elements include versions "unconstrained" by Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records (FRBR) and Functional Requirements for Authority Data (FRAD), the standard library models underpinning RDA, that are intended for use in applications by non-RDA communities.

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IFLA joins civil society in demanding a UN post-2015 framework that makes governments more accountable

IFLA, together with almost 200 civil society organisations, is calling on the United Nations to put good governance, access to information and independent media at the centre of the post-2015 development agenda.

The joint statement, coordinated by ARTICLE 19 and the Global Forum for Media Development (GFMD), say access to information and media freedom are vital elements for a future development plan. Systems that allow people to hold governments accountable are fundamental to achieving economic growth, social equality and environmental sustainability

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Call for submissions for the Brill/IFLA Open Access award

Brill and IFLA are pleased to announce the 2014 Brill/IFLA Open Access award.

The IFLA/Brill Open Access award is created to reward initiatives that facilitate and/or promote Open Access Scholarly Monographs in the humanities or social sciences. This is in line with IFLA's stated position on Open Access, which aims to promote open access across its membership. This is also in line with Brill's open access policy. "Open Access" in the context of this award refers to any structural publication model, where the reader does not have to pay a fee to access the leading version of a monograph and where the content is made available without embargo.

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First graduates of the Public Library Leadership Fellows Program



The first graduates of the Public Library Leadership Fellows Program sponsored by CULC (Canadian Urban Libraries Council) and the University of Toronto iSchool received their certificates from Dr Seamus Ross (Dean of the iSchool) at the CULC reception during the 20th OLA Super Conference in Toronto Jan 31.

For more information see www.culc.ca



Metrics and demonstrating the value of libraries

An excellent post from blogger, Barbara Fister about metrics and demonstrating the value of libraries. It quotes the work of CLA member, Mita Williams.

Taking a Longer View

"As I mentioned last week, I'm working with a group of liberal arts college librarians to explore the question of whether we can contribute something valuable to the open access movement by founding a press. (It's not too late to tell us what you think. Scholars, we have a survey for that, and it's open for a few more days.) This puts participating librarians on the horns of a dilemma because it would involve taking money that we use to provide our local communities access to published scholarship in order to publish scholarship anyone can access. The practical and the ideal are in direct competition for resources."

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Dear Colleagues, Following a landmark partnership agreement between OCUL, the Association of Canadian University Presses/Association Des Presses Universitaires Canadiennes (ACUP/APUC), and in conjunction with eBOUND Canada, CRKN was invited to meet with eBOUND, OCUL and other regional consortia to explore how the broader Canadian library community can be involved in expanding access to Canadian scholarly monograph content within a sustainable publishing environment. The objective to expand access to Canadian digital scholarly monographic content through a collaboration with both Canadian scholarly publishers and with Scholar's Portal aligns with the objective of CRKN's strategic plan.

Within the next month, CRKN will present an offer to members for the purchase of approximately 4000 eBook titles from 13 Canadian university presses through eBOUND. The package is divided into five collections; pre-2011, 2011 and 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015. An initial analysis found there is very little duplication with the CRKN Canadian Publisher's Collection - only 20 overlapping titles between the two packages. The agreement with OCUL members was concluded in the spirit of university libraries supporting Canadian university presses in making a successful transition to electronic publishing. CRKN is presenting this offer to our members in that same spirit to support the sustainability of Canadian university presses, while meeting the needs of library users.

In December 2013, CRKN met with representatives from eBOUND and the regional academic library consortia. At that meeting, it was agreed that CRKN was best placed to extend the offer negotiated by OCUL to the rest of Canada's academic libraries. To facilitate this partnership, OCUL's Scholars Portal has agreed to provide the hosting service (on a cost-recovery basis) on their books platform for non-OCUL libraries participating in the agreement.

As the intent of this agreement is to create a long-term relationship with publishers that facilitates a robust and sustainable Canadian scholarly publishing environment, the agreement recognizes that Canadian scholarly publishers operate in a small market, without the economies of scale that can contribute to the extremely low per-book costs their American counterparts enjoy. The comprehensive agreement ensures that the presses make the transition to e-versions of all content, creating a complete catalogue of Canadian university press scholarship for future users.

When the offer information is released in the coming days, I encourage you to review it with your collections teams. CRKN will be setting up French and English teleconferences later in February at which representatives from eBOUND will be available to answer questions. In the meantime I encourage you to direct questions to our listservs or to your OCUL colleagues. At CRKN we look forward to good uptake of this Canadian content that supports the transition of Canadian UP's to electronic publishing. I invite your feedback and questions on this exciting initiative.

University of Ottawa School of Information receives accreditation

The new UO School of Information Studies has received its first certificate of accreditation from the American Library Association Committee on Accreditation (COA) for the degree of Master of Information Studies. The certificate states in part "in recognition of meeting the Standards for Accreditation of Master's Programs in Library and Information Studies, January 26, 2014". The UO program is the only bilingual library school program in Canada.

UBC's SLAIS granted conditional accreditation

The ALA Committee on Accreditation (COA) has granted "conditional accreditation status to the program leading to the degree of Master of Library and Information Studies at the University of British Columbia (SLAIS)." The decision was made at the COA meeting on January 26, 2014 and was based on the Program Presentation, the External Review Panel Report, all of the reports the program submitted to the Committee since the last comprehensive review and the January 25, 2014 meeting with the Director of the School, Dr Caroline Haythornthwaite. The next review visit has been scheduled for the fall of 2016 at which time the school is required to demonstrate full compliance with COA accreditation standards. CLA's observer for the review process was Dr Cheryl Stenstrom. CLA wishes them well in this process.

Ottawa Public Library to add 3D printer to its collection

By Vito Pilieci, Ottawa Citizen

OTTAWA - In a bid to remain relevant, the Ottawa Public Library is bringing in a 3D printer, a laser cutter, a green screen and other technological goodies.

Thanks to a partnership with the U.S. Embassy, the library will open its new "maker space" at the Nepean Centrepointe library branch some time in April. Adding the new equipment is the latest move the library has made to appeal to a generation that is looking for more than just books from its public learning spaces.

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Request for assistance for a German research project to assess the status of how libraries promote information literacy.

From Dr. Sonja Gust-von Loh, B.A., M.A. Department of Information Science, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf

We are part of a research team working for the Department of Information Science, one of the leading ones in Europe in our field, at Heinrich Heine University in Duesseldorf (Germany). The aim of our research project is to assess the status of information literacy at the threshold of becoming a knowledge society for a total of 31 cities around the world; for more details please consult <http://www.phil-fak.uni-duesseldorf.de/en/infowiss/research/>.

Having been noticed favorably in previous studies on informational cities, e-government and libraries (also see this paper on [Public Libraries in the Knowledge Society](#), published by our Department in 2013.), we have chosen the cities of Montreal, Vancouver and Toronto to represent Canada in order to investigate where the country as a whole stands as one of 31 informational cities and how the situation can be improved further.

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Lemony Snicket launches prize for librarians 'who have faced adversity'

Children's author, who has himself been 'falsely accused of crimes' wants to honour those who have

stood up to pressure from would-be book banners

"Librarians have suffered enough", according to Lemony Snicket, who is setting up a new annual US prize "honouring a librarian who has faced adversity with integrity and dignity intact".

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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.

In this issue of the CLA Digest, the [Human Resources Network](#) is being profiled.

The CLA Human Resources Network acts as a national forum to address human resources issues and challenges that influence the effective performance of libraries and other allied organizations. It also functions to:

- build a community of human resources professionals in Canadian libraries; to seek and disseminate their innovative ideas and solutions to human resource issues and challenges.
- initiate, identify, and study human resources research of interest to Canadian libraries (e.g. The 8Rs Human Resources Study) and to update, follow-through or other actions that would benefit the Canadian library community through leadership and research.
- proactively provide leadership and education to human resource professionals and library organizations with a focus on best practices and effective human resources management.

If you are interested in human resource issues in Canadian libraries, please join us! We are engaged in activities such as updating competency charts for library workers, as well as the 'InfoNation' website. To join the HR Network and access the network listserv or for more information, contact Katherine Koch (Katherine.koch@ualberta.ca) or Kathleen De Long (kathleen.delong@ualberta.ca)

Announcing a new CLA Network: the CLA Next Generation Network

At last year's CLA Conference in Winnipeg, Marie DeYoung used the term "freshly minted" to describe students and new professionals.

They're bright, motivated, ready to change the world, and eager to offer their skills and knowledge to the profession.

CLA, in turn, has a lot to offer the freshly minted and that's why we've created the Next Generation Network - a place for people new to the profession to learn, connect, collaborate, and help build our community.

The goals of the Network are:

- To provide a wide variety of programs to assist, encourage, and educate new members of the

profession;

- In collaboration with other CLA units to develop and implement ongoing programs for MLIS and LIT students that encourage professional involvement and networking;
- To provide learning and networking opportunities to attract and retain new information professionals;
- To provide a forum for the discussion of issues relevant to new professionals;
- To advise and provide input, as needed, to CLA membership recruitment and retention strategies.

This network is here to give the recently qualified a voice within the CLA. Whether you're a student, a new professional or someone interested in being involved in our activities, join us!

Connect with us!

- By E-mail cla.nextgen@gmail.com

- On Twitter http://twitter.com/CLA_NGN

Robyn Schafer/Cabot Yu

Co-moderators, CLA Next Generation Network

CLA Copyright Committee sets 2014 agenda

One of CLA's most active advisory committees, chaired by Rob Tiessen has established its action areas for 2014: They are: 1. Regulations for Digital Locks. 2. Study the difficulties of libraries in acquiring and lending e-books. 3. Licensing, copyright and fair dealing. 4. International Copyright issues such as the WIPO Library Treaty, the WIPO Blind Treaty and the TPP. 5. Domestic ratification of the WIPO Blind Treaty and bringing the Copyright Act into alignment with it. 6. Crown Copyright. 7. Issues for persons with perceptual disabilities and especially cinematographic works. 8. Feliciter column (extending it beyond one year) 9. Advocacy relating to the misleading messages on fair dealing and educational institutions. 10. Revision of Photocopier Notice and policy.

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!

The 2014 Annual Conference & Trade Show program is available [on the website now](#).

The exhibits are almost sold out. There is one table top remaining and a few booths. Prices increase as of February 10, 2014 so get your [application for space in today!](#)

New this year is the Summit - a full day workshop taking place on Saturday, May 31. [For more details >>](#).

Remember, Saturday is a full day of programming with the closing keynote and ceremonies wrapping the conference at around 5:00 pm. Book your travel accordingly.

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

Thursday February 13, 2014 at 2pm EST

So what do you do - and why do I need you - exactly?

Tips on Branding for Information Professionals.

Speaker: Ulla De Stricker

Tuesday, February 18 at 2pm EST

Data 101: A Gentle Introduction Is "data" a four letter word in your life?

Do you have a sense of urgency to do something (anything) with data but don't know where to start?

Stop worrying and join us for this session with Kim Silk, Data Librarian at the Martin Prosperity Institute, University of Toronto. Kim will provide an introduction to basic terminology, an overview of the data landscape and what questions you should ask your clients/patrons to help them obtain the information they need.

Speaker: Kim Silk, Data Librarian, Martin Prosperity Institute

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