

May 2024

Niche Academy Webinar: Don't I Have the Right Not to Be Offended? Responding to Censorship in Fractious Times

May 1, 2024 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM CST (2:00 pm US Eastern, 11:00 am US Pacific)

The best defense against censorship is preparation, policies, and the ability to manage meaningful conversations with the community. Join Jamie LaRue to learn how the value of intellectual freedom came to be adopted by librarians and why it is so crucial now. Jamie will provide a checklist and brief discussion of essential policies and protocols.

If you're interested but not able to attend the live webinar, go ahead and register. We'll send a recording to all registrants after the fact.

Registration [Don't I Have the Right Not to Be Offended? Responding to Censorship in Fractious Times \(nicheacademy.com\)](https://nicheacademy.com/registration/dont-i-have-the-right-not-to-be-offended-responding-to-censorship-in-fractious-times)

OverDrive Webinar: Kanopy Town Hall for North American Public Libraries

May 2, 2024 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM CST

Join the Kanopy team as we unlock exciting new product enhancements, preview forthcoming cinematic titles, and share compelling stories around our popular streaming models. There's something for every public librarian.

- Learn about our up-and-coming product updates
- Get a first look at the new titles coming to platform
- Learn about inspiring marketing practices from a library partner
- Learn about Kanopy's latest marketing toolkits.

Registration: [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

Network of National Library of Medicine Webinar: NNLM National Update

May 2, 2024 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM CST

Join NNLM Project Director, Martha Meacham, to hear about the work and accomplishments of the NNLM over the past year. Find out what is in store for the future of the NNLM. There will also be time for questions.

Registration: [NNLM National Update | NNLM](#)

North Dakota State Library Webinar: Beanstack and Summer Reading!

May 6, 2024 1:00 PM -2:00 PM CST

Meet with Lexi from NDSL and Nicole from Beanstack as they go through the basics of using Beanstack to help with not only your summer reading program, but with all reading challenges! They will go over basic challenge setup, what this year's Adventure Begins at Your Library challenge looks like, and how it can save you time and effort in reporting your numbers. There will be time at the end for Q & A. The session will be recorded.

Registration: [Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams](#)

Booklist Webinar: Chilling Reads: Mysteries, Thrillers, and True Crime

May 7, 2024 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM CST

Whether you are anxiously waiting for the next installment from your favorite sleuth or looking to fill your summer with terrifying thrillers, you can find it all during this webinar. Discover new detectives and complex mysteries from Sourcebooks, Macmillan Library, Soho Press, and the Penguin Random House Library Marketing team during this free, one-hour webinar. Moderated by Booklist's senior editor for Adult Books, Annie Bostrom.

Registration: https://ala-events.zoom.us/webinar/register/1117133005984/WN_km4b3QXYS1aixDUXbdZ5zQ#/registration

Booklist Webinar: Exploring Social Justice Through Young Adult Books

May 8, 2024 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM CST

Join Random House Children's Book authors Jumata Emill (WANDER IN THE DARK), Kim Johnson (THE COLOR OF A LIE), and LaDarrion Williams (BLOOD AT THE ROOT) in a discussion about their books that focus on social justice. During the discussion, the authors will delve into social issues such as inequity, inequality, and injustice - including gender inequality, poverty, racism, and LGBTQ+ issues - and explore how they can be portrayed through different genres. This free one-hour webinar will be moderated by Ronny Khuri, Senior Editor for Books for Youth at Booklist.

Registration: https://ala-events.zoom.us/webinar/register/9417132003180/WN_DR8G2wtNT4iB0a-Xc5z84g#/registration

Booklist Webinar: Indie Press Showcase

May 9, 2024 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM CST

Great books come from publishing houses of all sizes, and we are thrilled to spotlight upcoming adult titles during this free, one-hour webinar. Join us to hear from author Robert Wintner and learn about new thrillers, memoirs, literary fiction, and more from CamCat Books and ECW Press that are must-haves for your bookshelves. Moderated by Booklist's Adult Books editor Donna Seaman.

Registration: https://ala-events.zoom.us/webinar/register/2017134685620/WN_a_8nviSqSdGkLpeAvw6nCw#/registration

OverDrive Webinar: Getting Started With Libby

May 14 2024 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM CST

Join OverDrive's training team for this live session to learn how easy it is to get your patrons started with Libby, the library reading app. This session will demonstrate:

- How to browse and borrow ebooks and audiobooks.
- Tips for customizing the experience.
- Answers to frequently asked questions from end users.
- Where to find Libby marketing and help resources.

Registration: https://overdrive.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_EpoTC2FRQbOkVIIMe6UmWg#/registration

Network of National Library of Medicine Webinar: Drive Thru Data: Using NLM APIs to Access Information Fast

May 14, 2024 1:00 PM – 2:15 PM CST

Application programming interfaces (APIs) can help you access NLM's data more quickly and efficiently, especially when integrated into a program or script. This webinar is aimed at librarians and other information professionals who are familiar with NLM's products and services but want to explore NLM data in new ways. Students with all levels of technical expertise are welcome, regardless of whether you've never heard of APIs before, you're a new API user who needs a little help or are an API expert looking for more information about NLM's API offerings. As long as you're interested in finding new and improved ways of interacting with NLM's resources, this webinar is for you!

Registration: <https://www.nlm.gov/training/class/drive-thru-data-using-nlm-apis-access-information-fast-0>

Niche Academy Webinar: Conflict Management and De-Escalation

May 15, 2024 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM CST (2:00 pm US Eastern, 11:00 am US Pacific)

When given the appropriate knowledge and skills, we are all capable of making informed, effective, and safe choices when facing customer conflict and violence. As part of that approach, join Suzanne Powell to discuss how we can create a shift in how we view and respond to these situations to enhance our safety and reduce employee stress.

If you're interested but not able to attend the live webinar, go ahead and register. We'll send a recording to all registrants after the fact.

Registration: <https://www.nicheacademy.com/conflict-management-and-de-escalation>

WebJunction Webinar: Supporting Healthy Communities: Public Library Responses to the Opioid Crisis

May 16, 2024 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM CST

The opioid crisis continues to rage unabated in our communities and worsened in the shadow of the COVID-19 pandemic. Public libraries have a critical opportunity to support the information needs of patrons dealing with and impacted by substance misuse. Related programming and services are deeply connected to addressing health equity, and they help libraries link community members to critical information that can improve their lives and the lives of loved ones. WebJunction has released the "[Opioid Crisis Support Kit for Public Libraries](#)" to help library staff assess their strengths and capacity, identify key local partners with whom to collaborate or coordinate, and plan and implement programming and services that contribute to addressing the opioid crisis. Join this webinar to learn how libraries have found success and purpose with the Support Kit and gain insights to empower your community toward healthier outcomes.

Registration: [Supporting healthy communities: Public library responses to the opioid crisis \(webjunction.org\)](#)

Booklist Webinar:

May 21, 2024 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM CST

Summer is just around the corner, and with the new season there are always fresh and riveting new picture books for young readers! Join us for a free one-hour webinar to find out about some phenomenal new picture books soon to hit your shelves! We'll hear

representatives from Tundra Books, Macmillan, Simon & Schuster, Hachette Book Group, and Albatros as they present their upcoming titles! Register today!

Registration: https://ala-events.zoom.us/webinar/register/2717138066727/WN_bJXu4d_kQiS8vLo2Ukli_q#/registration

Network of National Library of Medicine Webinar: NNLN Region One Insights Webinar Series: Beyond Borders: Understanding Oldways Heritage Diets and Reducing Health Disparities

May 21, 2024 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM CST

This presentation aims to delve into the Oldways Heritage Diets, offering insights into classifying healthful foods within these traditional dietary patterns. We will explore the essential components of nutritionally balanced culturally-relevant diets, spotlighting their significance in promoting overall health and well-being. Moreover, our discussion will examine the culinary landscapes of the African Diaspora, Asia, Latin America, and the Mediterranean, unveiling the key characteristics of healthy traditional diets unique to each region. Through this exploration, attendees will better understand the diverse foods and flavors that contribute to these culinary traditions. Furthermore, we will provide practical guidance on integrating culturally relevant foods and flavors into recipes and meal plans for programming purposes. By embracing the “old ways” of eating in nutrition education, we empower participants to adopt healthier eating habits that resonate with their cultural heritage.

Registration: <https://www.nlm.gov/training/class/nln-region-one-insights-webinar-series-beyond-borders-understanding-oldways>

Niche Academy Webinar: Personal Librarians: Building Relationships Across Campus

May 22, 2024 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM CST (2:00 pm US Eastern, 11:00 am US Pacific)

Asking for help at university libraries can be intimidating for many students; this presentation will highlight the uniquely supportive role of Personal Librarians to address this and provide undergraduates with welcoming points of connection. Princeton's Personal Librarian Program launched in 2017 after a similar program at Yale inspired library staff to bring this outreach model to their campus. Building on Yale's model, librarians at Princeton found original ways to tailor the program to respond to the needs of their students and library colleagues.

Join Audrey Welber as she talks through the details of implementation, discusses pitfalls encountered along the way, and shared strategies that led to enthusiastic

program participation by Princeton's undergraduates. Audrey will also share recent refinements and expansions to this initiative, including a subprogram supporting student athletes (at the request of the Academic-Athletic Affairs department), wildly successful "anti-procrastination" events, and a pilot effort focused on the needs of first-generation and low-income students.

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Registration: <https://www.nicheacademy.com/personal-librarians-building-relationships-across-campus>

WebJunction Webinar: Cardholder Signup Policies: Access in Practice

May 22, 2024 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM CST

In 2023, the Brooklyn Public Library [launched a research project](#) to collect and study cardholder signup policies from public libraries across the nation. The project aims to identify the range of policies and procedures which govern cardholder access as well as the rationale used for establishing these policies. Research findings have been summarized in [a report](#) made available to the library field beginning spring 2024. Join us for a discussion about the inspiration for this study, how the research was conducted, and key findings and takeaways using data from more than 1,800 public libraries across the United States.

Registration: [Cardholder signup policies: Access in practice \(webjunction.org\)](#)

Gale Webinar: Build Strong Readers: Integrate the Science of Reading with Gale In Context

May 23, 2024 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM CST

Join us for a training session exploring how to effectively use Gale In Context products in line with the science of reading principles, specifically fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension. Participants will explore how Gale can support evidence-based instructional practices and enhance students' reading comprehension and literacy skills through research and learning tools including translation, listen, highlights and notes, and more.

Registration: https://cengage-gale.zoom.us/webinar/register/3217116463542/WN_mzvvhqyXQdumwTLf2OVdPA

North Dakota State Library Webinar: NDSL ILL Services Are for Everyone

May 28, 2024 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM CST

One of the universal truths in any library is you can't have everything. The simple fact is every library has a limited amount of shelf space. Interlibrary loan fills that gap. Join NDSL Patron Services Director, Steve Hammel in a discussion about updates and changes to ILL services provided by the State Library.

Registration: <https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/f90cf6ba-7983-4c01-9f7d-28f6be38021a@2dea0464-da51-4a88-bae2-b3db94bc0c54>

North Dakota State Library Webinar: How to Request Kits Through the PAC

May 30, 2024 2:00 PM – 2:30 PM CST

The North Dakota State Library has added the Book Club and STEM kits to their catalog and have changed their circulation policy to allow most of the kits to circulate to anyone with a State Library card. But, do you know how to reserve kits? To find out, sign up for this quick webinar on how to reserve kits in the PAC. We'll review some basic PAC functions and go over how to check out kits, the circulation policies, and talk about some ideas on using the kits in your library.

Registration: <https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/c635b1c4-5d2b-4b8b-8e33-3d62f783083e@2dea0464-da51-4a88-bae2-b3db94bc0c54>