

Welcome

I want to personally welcome you to the 2022 AzLA Annual Conference in beautiful Prescott, Arizona! We are pleased to be able to offer an inperson conference this year and excited to have you join us.

We hope that during the next few days you will take advantage of all the professional development opportunities that await you. The programs selected aim to reflect the changing landscape of the library world. There will be keynote speakers that will motivate and inspire you, exceptional break-out sessions that will provide resources and ideas you can take back to the communities you serve. Take time to network with your cohorts and have fun!

It's a New Day for all of us as we move forward after an unprecedented time in our history. Our conference committee has worked tremendously hard to bring you an outstanding experience. As an association, AzLA supports intellectual freedom and provides continuing educational opportunities. AzLA advocates for quality library services, supports access to information and fosters the professional development of our members. AzLA members are library employees and librarians drawn from public, school, academic, and special libraries. Other members include trustees, friends of the library, volunteers, and library supporters.

We welcome you all!

Enjoy your AzLA Conference, It's a New Day, make it a great one!

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Lisa Lewis, AzLA President



PRE-CONFERENCE PROGRAM AND SCHEDULE

Wednesday, October 26, 2022		
Time / Location	Event / Program	

FULL DAY PRE-CONFERENCE STEM Learning Ecosystems

This workshop will help you to see where your library

We will hear from education outreach organizers with

can support your local Learning Ecosystem.

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Verde Room

AZ Association of Conservation Districts, Code.org, SciTech Institute, the Arizona Science Center, AZ Game & Fish, AZ State University's School of Earth & Space Exploration, and Local First Arizona. All will talk about programs that can be integrated into library programs. HALF DAY PRE-CONFERENCE **Access Challenged? Intellectual Freedom** Workshop 9:00 - 11:30 AM

Libraries need staff who are conversant in intellectual freedom, in all departments and on all levels. This Prescott-Chino workshop is designed to give attendees a broad overview of intellectual freedom as the basis of library services and increase their comfort level when interacting with their community. HALF DAY PRE-CONFERENCE Do Look Up! Upcoming Eclipses Your friends at the STAR Library Network recently

received funding to support state and public libraries 12:30 - 3:00 PM for the 2023 annular solar eclipse and 2024 total solar Prescott-Chino eclipse. Attendees will receive hands-on training on solar telescopes, low-cost methods of solar viewing, and interactive solar and space science programming. Attendees will also be able to sign up for free solar eclipse glasses to distribute to their communities in advance of both eclipses!

CONFERENCE PROGRAM AND SCHEDULE

Thursday, October 27, 2022		
Time / Location	Event / Program	

7:30 AM - 5:00 PM

8:00 - 9:00 AM

Ballroom

8:45 - 9:00 AM

9:00 -10:00 AM

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10:00 - 10:15 AM

10:15 - 11:45 AM

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AzLA Registration desk OPEN

BREAKFAST BUFFET

Welcome & Housekeeping Announcements

Jamie LaRue, Intentionally TransformationalWe know that libraries transform lives, themselves.

accident, a happy but unplanned result. What would

it look like if we became transformational by design, if we adopted practices and systems that made transformation not just possible, but inevitable?

BREAK - Visit our Sponsors & Exhibitors

BREAKOUT SESSIONS - 90 MINUTES

Punk A\$\$ Book Jockeys vs Nature Freaks and

talk through some stereotypes about the

departments in our organization!

we have dealt with, and then move forward to remove barriers to work collaboratively with

Have you ever wondered why city/town departments have a hard time collaborating when all we are trying to do is serve the same population? Join us as we

"competition," commiserate about the situations that

and their communities. Often though, it's an

Opening Session - Keynote Speaker

healthy recipes and then sample the finished product.
There will be giveaways of tools to start your program and every participant will receive a copy of our healthy living cookbook! You won't want to miss this one!

10:15 - 11:00 AM

BREAKOUT SESSIONS - 45 MINUTES

Did We Just Become Best Friends? Building

Relationships to Market the Library

In September 2022, Mesa Public Library launched a business discount program for Library Card Sign-up Month. Learn how we harnessed the power of existing

partnerships and developed new ones to encourage library card signup and promote local businesses. We'll

Feed Them and They Will Come!

Learn how to start a healthy cooking program at your library! It doesn't have to be complicated. We will share

tips, lessons learned and resources on funding sources. We will work in teams to make one of our

Granite Mountain Room

Clarkdale - Cottonwood

discuss the successes and pitfalls of the program, and how time spent building relationships paid off.

There is Only One AASL

AASL President Kathy Lester will help you navigate the multiple features and benefits of AASL membership while highlighting exciting and practical resources to help you in your career as a school library professional. Learn more about how your membership in AASL supports the profession and how you can get involved with the work of your national association.

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Network to Arizona libraries and offer additional services, including Citizen Science Trainings (virtual or live).

Libraries across the country are becoming hubs for citizen science, where people can access books, field guides, computers, subject matter experts, and other citizen science resources.

11:00-11:15 AM

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Support Staff

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Science Library Network

SciStarter & our National Citizen and Community

We will share the free resources of our National Library

Leading from the Middle: How to Empower Library

Strengthening awareness, resilience, and communication is vital for building proactive libraries in times of change. Utilizing the 'leading from the middle' leadership model, library directors, managers, and supervisors can empower library support staff - especially those working at the front

lines - to affect, embrace, and enact changes. Leading from the middle helps create a check-and-balance system, contributes to sound decision-making processes, and inspires future leaders. It is a pathway to unity and

innovation, preparing public libraries for ongoing and new

Arizona Room

Horner Fellowship

Come hear from the AzLA Horner Fellowship committee about exciting opportunities including what the Horner Fellowship is and how to apply, and hear from other members about their experience in Japan.

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thrive.

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Lessons Learned from Census 101: Innovative **Programming for Your Library** Janelle Breedveld, Federal Documents Librarian at the State of Arizona Research Library, will share lessons learned from collaborating with Allen Barnes, Arizona State Data Center Coordinator, on the joint webinar: "Census 101: Everything Library Professionals Should Know About the Census." Learn tips and tricks for collaborating with other organizations, designing a virtual program for multiple online platforms, and adapting this innovative program about the U.S. Census for your library.

Libraries and Communities Thrive Together The pandemic shutdown brought into stark relief the strong need for community resources, as we had numerous individuals walking through our doors asking for assistance. However, it became clear that these organizations were spread far throughout the

valley. So, we decided to bring these different

called Thrive in Surprise, where we introduced community partners who were already prepared to assist with the crucial needs of our customers. Librarians Dianna Manasse and Aubrey White will share how we developed this series, cultivated community partners, and helped our communities

partners into the library. We created a monthly series

11:45 AM-12:45 PM

LUNCH BUFFET

12:30-1:15 PM Ballroom

1:15-1:30 PM 1:30 - 2:45 PM

Reaching Family, Friends, and Neighbor Caregivers with Literacy It is estimated that family, friends, and neighbors care for 7 million children under the age of 5 in their homes, making Arizona Room it the most prevalent form of nonparental childcare. Learn how libraries can support informal childcare providers in literacy learning with enhanced storytimes or adult

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2:45 - 3:30 PM

Cottonwood-Sedona Room

Voices of Navajo Mothers and Daughters: Portraits of Beauty Q&A and Book Signing

This session will offer the audience an opportunity to ask questions, meet and talk with panelists, and buy the book. **BREAK**

focused library programs.

Lunch - Keynote Speaker

Voices of Navajo Mothers and Daughters; Portraits of Beauty: Kathy Eckles Hooker, author; Arlinda Swatts,

Lolita Paddock, Amy Begay, Lisa Puente Siyuja In these compelling, multi-generational oral histories collected by Kathy Eckles Hooker, women talk about their experiences in their own words. As they do, their faces are

captured in defining portraits by photographer David Young-Wolff, whose evocative portraits demonstrate the

photography. This panelist session features the author and five women from the book. The women will talk about how they got involved with the project and what they thought about it (then and now), and about what messages they hope the book will convey to readers, particularly the next generation(s) of Navajo women.

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insights gleaned from his 45-year career as one of America's top producers of stock and portrait

1.30 - 2.15 FW	BREAKOUT SESSIONS - 45 MIINUTES
Granite Mountain	Revitalizing and Maximizing Engagement in Library Instruction One-shot instruction sessions can be challenging to create engagement while integrating different learning styles. We explored PollEverywhere, Mentimeter, Nearpod, Padlet, and more. Learn how these tools and others can increase engagement in person, online, and in hybrid instruction. These tools give students a choice in how to participate.

Library

Workshops.

REAKOUT SESSIONS - 45 MINUTES

No Shushing Required - Fun Activities in a High School

This session will reflect four activities designed to keep the

school library experience alive to the students and teachers as they re-enter the physical school universe: Book Tasting,

A New Day for the Arizona Memory Project: Launching

upgraded features and enhancements in the new AMP site

Bring representation to your collection with graphic novels that are written by and about immigrants and refugees.

Presented as a series of fast-paced book talks, you will walk away with a better understanding of what's available in

graphic novels that focus on immigration and refugee issues, but you'll also get an annotated bibliography to make your collection development decisions easier than

a New Site After a Successful Platform Migration
After 16 years on the same platform, the Arizona Memory
Project launched a new site in October 2022 as the result of

a data migration. This presentation will showcase the

and detail how we migrated 665,000 items from 385

Fostering Empathy Through Graphic Novels

collections, contributed by 100 institutions.

Lunch Fun, Book March Madness, and Creative

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2:15 - 2: 30 PM	BREAK
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Prescott-Chino Room	StoryWalk - Start to Finish StoryWalk® combines reading, exercise and nature while collaborating with parks, schools, and other community partners. We will outline the foundation of StoryWalk® success: evaluating books, creating templates, working with printshops, installing and maintaining stories, while working within a budget. In this interactive session you will walk away with the information and tools you need to begin your own StoryWalk® Plan.
	Expanding Equipment Lending for Student Success We'll discuss how expanding equipment lending services through the variety and number of items available positioned our library to adapt to hybrid instructional

Granite

Mountain Room

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modalities. Our campus recognized the library as the central place for student technology lending, which fostered new

partnerships with other technology and student centers.

We'll describe the types of partnerships that can position libraries to reach students in most need. An overview of how we addressed ongoing issues of program awareness by creating an eye-catching technology display as well as how we implemented a student-requested equipment booking system at the time of need will be discussed.

Has your library considered the local LGBT+ population?

presentation is designed to help library staff expand their reach and reach out to those community members that could use a helping hand. I explain how I overcame existing communication barriers within my community and created

community? Where do you even begin? It is a new day! This

LGBT+ Outreach and Community Building

regular LGBT+ programming.

Do you know what resources exist for your LGBT+

Verde Room 3:15 - 3:30 PM

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The Arizona Talking Book Library is a free braille and talking book library service for people with low vision, blindness, or a physical, perceptual, or reading disability that prevents them from using regular print materials. Starting in 2021, the library expanded its services to those

with reading disabilities, and the types of professionals who can now certify these patrons has been expanded beyond medical professionals to include librarians, social workers, teachers, certified reading specialists, school psychologists, educators, and superintendents. Please come to hear more about how we are reaching out so that

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Mapping the Impact of Public Library Programs in the

Public libraries can have a tremendous impact on the communities that they serve; however, it has traditionally been difficult to quantify, analyze, and visualize their

impact. With the right data, geographic information systems (GIS) and geospatial analysis can provide opportunities to visualize public library success stories. This session looks at how public library programming impacts student success rates in select communities in the

Active Participation in Storytime Programs through

Language (ASL) into early childhood programming, where

parents, signs you can use right away, and how to keep the integrity of ASL, even if you are only dabbling in the

Learn best practices for incorporating American Sign

to find authentic signs and resources to share with

Mountain West geographic region.

American Sign Language

language a word at a time.

Book Library!

all may read in Arizona!

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Arizona Room efforts to enhance resilience and continue providing social services post-COVID. This session will focus on the development and implementation of the program and describes the mini-grant process through which rural libraries can participate. **Overcoming Technology Hurdles** Learn about the efforts at the University of Arizona Libraries to improve access to internet and technology during the pandemic and how we adapted to an ongoing Verde Room

Crafting a Patron Experience

Rural Resilience: An Approach to Building Community Public Health Champion

AZ Librarians Enhancing Resilient Communities focuses on supporting librarians serving rural communities in their

hybrid instructional modality. We will highlight how our institution leveraged campus data and new partnerships

"Crafts-to-Go for Adults" at Prescott Public Library is a take-

to better meet student needs, particularly for underrepresented and first-generation students.

home program that provides monthly kits filled with the materials patrons need to create a stylish craft project. Cottonwood-Learn about how PPL expanded the grant-funded program by emphasizing patron experience, the emerging trends in libraries that it reflects, and why it remains sustainable while becoming increasingly popular with patrons.

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Resume Clinic

Bring your resume and get feedback! Room 4:15 - 4:30 PM **BREAK**

4:30 - 5:15 PM	BREAKOUT SESSIONS - 45 MINUTES	
	Flipping the Script on School Library Orientation For as long as anyone can remember, school library	
	orientation has meant two things: rules and catalog tutorials. Based on the needs of my students, I have	

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users.

reworked the traditional orientation to emphasize how students intuitively use the library in order to give them

the skills they need to be successful and independent.

There is now a greater push for efficient browsing and being a reflective reader than on using the catalog. I'll share how I start my year and build library visits over the course of the semester to foster independent library

Exploring Partnership Opportunities between the UArizona Center for Rural Health and Libraries

The Center for Rural Health, University of Arizona, recognizes the prominent role many libraries play in communities across the state, particularly as it relates to improving the health and well-being of their members. This session will explore partnership opportunities to support health, wellness, and resilience across rural communities around the state.

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Learn how to demystify words, create a hands-on family environment, use both plugged and unplugged activities, and dance to an awesome algorithm of the week. You won't just learn about how to run a cognitive storytime, you'll also go home with a 15 week curriculum of Jeffrey's K-Code program. This is a hands-on interactive program where the rules are meant to be broken and family fun is unavoidable.

Arizona Room	opportunities. Explore the secret skills and talents that the teens can develop through a connected learning volunteer or internship opportunity.
	Overcoming Technology Barriers, Particularly for Historically Underrepresented Students
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at home orders, especially for marginalized communities which have been technologically disadvantaged. In order to address these needs, libraries can embrace new roles collaborating in new partnerships and creating spaces to reduce students'

barriers and increase academic success.

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Teen Interns: More Than Meets the EyeLearn five important steps to a successful teen

internship program. Discover the hidden benefits for the

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Resources (COPPER)

Network & Visit Sponsors

BREAKOUTSESSIONS - 90 MINUTES

Consortium of Partners Procuring Electronic

The Consortium of Partners Procuring Electronic Resources (COPPER) is the first multi-type library

consortium to serve libraries across Arizona. Currently,

COPPER serves 29 libraries of all types and is actively recruiting for additional members. This session will focus on the benefits of COPPER membership, discuss

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the future of COPPER. Board members will be there to answer questions and share their thoughts on how COPPER can benefit the libraries of Arizona.

Around the State in 90 Minutes: Adventures with CARES, ARPA and LSTA Grants

Join us for a fast-paced look at successful programs funded in part by Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds. Project managers from libraries across Arizona as well as Arizona State Library staff will make brief presentations about projects ranging from digitization and STEM to early learning and health literacy, and more!

9:15 - 10:00 AM

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action plan to find "their people" in order to overcome obstacles in their institutions. Participants will leave the session ready to be changemakers empowered to lead,

regardless of their role or rank. Did We Just Become Best Friends? Building Relationships to Market the Library In September 2022, Mesa Public Library launched a business discount program for Library Card Sign-up

Little Free STEM Library doesn't utilize library services. Participants will receive a small STEM kit that can easily be replicated and 3 lucky

Little Free Libraries are all over the country, but Little Free STEM libraries are up and coming and definitely unique. In this workshop we will share a pilot program that two libraries in Arizona were involved in. This project aimed to share STEM resources and bring awareness of what libraries are offering in the way of STEM programming. Come find out how to broaden your reach and reel in that audience that normally

Bottom's Up: How Early Career Librarians and **Archivists United to Empower Each Other**

professional support and attendees will devise an

In this interactive session, librarians and archivists from Northern Arizona University's Cline Library will share their woes and wins advocating for early career

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11:15 - NOON

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XRin A71 ibraries: Piloting VR for Teen Career

Overcoming Technology Hurdles

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Libraries & Communities Thrive Together

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This art display program is hosted by the Young Adult Department at the Prescott Valley Public Library and offers a space for teens to display their art in a public place. This helps young artists create community connections through their art, build confidence, and offers a place for young people to sell their art if they choose to do so. This workshop will discuss the history and expansion of the program to include the Jr. Artist Showcase and will offer details on how you can start your own Teen or Jr. Artist Showcase in your library.

Teen Artist Showcase

12:00-12:15 PM

BREAK

12:15 - 3:00 PM

Plated lunch, Service Awards, Closing Keynote and Raffle

Ballroom

Ballroom	Author Adiba Nelson, Ain't That a Mother Adiba Nelson's newest title 'Ain't That a Mother' has received positive national media attention and multitudes of accolades and starred reviews.
Ballroom	Closing Remarks & Raffle
4:00 PM	AzLA Board Meeting & Division Meetings

Closing Speaker and Book Signing

SERVICE AWARD WINNERS

Librarian	AWARDEE: Natasha Alvi
	This award is open to presented to any person working in a library who shows exceptional promise as a leader in the field. The purpose of the award is
Emerging Leader	to recognize individuals with strong leadership

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Award

AzLA Outstanding

Youth Services

Library Volunteer of the Year Award

Outreach Services Award

potential in order to encourage them to take on roles of increasing responsibility in library work. **AWARDEE: Megan Carbiener** This award is open to any individual or group serving in a volunteer capacity in any library. Emphasis will be placed on activities that go

The Outstanding Youth Services Librarian Award is given to an individual who serves as a model for the

important role Youth Services plays in public

beyond the standard requirements of good library service and the nominee's investment of personal time. AWARDEE: Pat Ansell The Little Chapel of All Nations, Tucson, provides a

monetary award to the library, librarian, or library related group or person that provides exemplary library outreach services to unserved, underserved, or minority populations. AWARDEE: Dianna Manasse

SERVICE AWARD WINNERS

This award is presented to an individual currently

Outstanding Library Service Award	working in libraries, with or without an M.L.S, who has professional responsibilities to the end user in such service areas as reference, programming, cataloging, bibliographic or database instruction, collection development, or a combination of these and other professional responsibilities. AWARDEE: Melinda Brasher
School Librarian of the Year Award	The AzLA School Librarian of the Year Award is presented to an individual who serves as a model for implementing the American Association of School Librarians (AASL) National Standards. AWARDEE: Jean Kilker
Sharon G. Womack Outstanding Library Technician Award	This award is given to an individual who has served as a model of the important role that paraprofessional plays in providing quality library service and who has exemplified the integral part that the paraprofessional performs as a library staff member. AWARDEE: Shannon Bryant
	This award is given to support students enrolled in the University of Arizona's School of Information

Congratulations to all award winners!!

AWARDEE: Rose Wynd

program.

Resources and Library Science M.A. graduate

Louise A. Stephens

Memorial Scholarship

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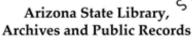
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