

NJLA Executive Board ALA Councilor Report November 2022



Chapter Leaders- Join United Against Book Bans as a Partner on NJLA E-Board agenda

ALA Council meetings

Operating Agreement Council Discussion (Virtual) OA task force, new budget process FY25 Date: Thursday, November 3, 2022

ALA Bylaws Feedback Listening Session (Virtual)

attended- Date: Monday, November 14, 2022 Time: 12:00 p.m. Eastern Second listening session on Draft 2 of the Bylaws revisions. A third will be scheduled in December, with the fourth being the Bylaws convention at the LibLearnX conference in January.

ALA Council Sessions during the Library Learning Experience (LLX),

January 27-30, 2023 New Orleans, LA

Pre LLX: Information Session for Members, Councilors, and Executive Board (Virtual prior to LLX) Date: TBA

Early Registration October 17- November 13 for Library Learning Experience (LLX) https://www.2023.alaliblearnx.org/registration

Fifty-four U.S. Representatives yesterday sent a letter urging the **House to support federal funding to modernize library buildings** nationwide.

https://www.ala.org/news/press-releases/2022/10/more-50-representatives-urge-support-libraryfacilities-fy-2023



2022 YALSA Teens' Top Ten Titles Announced

The Teens' Top Ten is a "teen choice" list, where teens nominate and choose their favorite books of the previous year.

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The LeRoy C. **Merritt Humanitarian Fund** was established in 1970 as a special trust in memory of Dr. LeRoy C. Merritt. It is devoted to the support, maintenance, medical care, and welfare of librarians who, in the Trustees' opinion, are:

- **Denied employment rights or discriminated** against on the basis of gender, sexual orientation, race, color, creed, religion, age, disability, or place of national origin; or
- Denied employment rights because of defense of **intellectual freedom**; that is, threatened with loss of employment or discharged because of their stand for the cause of intellectual freedom, including promotion of freedom of the press, freedom of speech, the freedom of librarians to select items for their collections from all the world's written and recorded information, and defense of privacy rights.

https://www.ala.org/aboutala/affiliates/relatedgroups/merrittfund/merritthumanitarian

The Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL) announces the opening of registration for the **ACRL 2023 Conference, to be held March 15-18, 2023, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania,** and virtually. Higher education has changed dramatically over the last few years. Academic libraries are addressing an increased emphasis on remote learning, rising calls for social justice, and an acknowledged need for flexibility that supports a sustainable work-life balance. ACRL 2023 will explore these issues and more around the theme of "Forging the Future https://www.ala.org/news/member-news/2022/11/acrl-2023-conference-registration-opens

ALA Nominating Committee announces councilors-at-large candidates CHICAGO — The American Library Association (ALA) has announced the names of the **61 candidates who are running for a total of 36 at-large seats on the ALA Council**. That number includes 32 councilor-at-large seats for the 2023-2026 term, one councilor at-large seat to serve until 2025, two councilor at-large seat to serve until 2024, and one councilor at-large seat to serve until 2023.

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Advocacy in a Polarized World

Live Webinar: Tuesday, December 6, 2022, 1 - 2 p.m. CT Presenter: Peter Bromberg, Assistant Director, EveryLibrary, Riverside, IL https://www.ala.org/news/member-news/2022/11/core-webinar-best-core-forum-advocacy-polarized-



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