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Important Notice: ALAConnect Login Unavailable

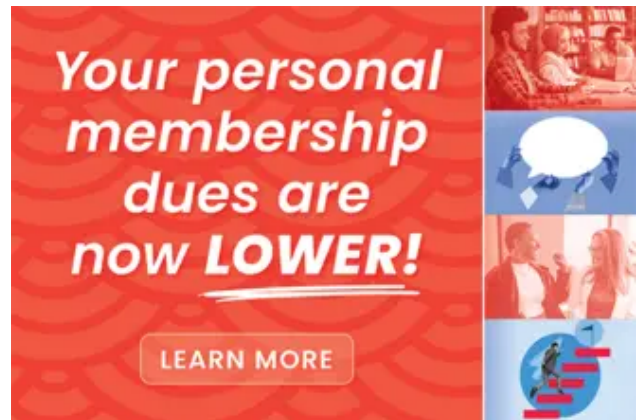
We're experiencing technical issues affecting access to member-only areas of our community. Public content remains accessible. Our team is working to restore full functionality. We'll update this notice when all services are back online.

State of the Chapter 2024 report due 10/4, thank you Katy and Alicia for helping get association answers for the survey.



The American Library Association (ALA) announced today a revised date for its highly anticipated ALA 2025 Annual Conference & Exhibition in Philadelphia. Originally scheduled for June 26 – July 1, 2025, the conference will now take place on **June 26 – 30, 2025**.

New ALA Membership Model FAQ
Starting on September 1, 2024, ALA will implement a new simplified structure for personal memberships. Learn more about the changes.



Registration opens October 2024. LibLearnX is where library professionals at all levels can take part in a conference experience that will provide ultimate learning benefits. Attendees will participate in hands-on workshops, bite-size sessions, and other formats designed to match preferred learning styles with an emphasis on experiential learning.

ALA Nominating Committee seeks ALA President-elect, ALA Treasurer, & ALA Councilor at Large candidates

<https://www.ala.org/news/2024/08/alsc-supports-2024-bound-stay-bound-melcher-scholarships>

Shannon O'Brien is a Librarian in Training in the Children's Department at the **New Milford Public Library in New Milford, New Jersey.**

The American Library Association's (ALA) Office for Diversity, Literacy and Outreach Services awarded 2024 Spectrum Scholarships to 70 exceptional students pursuing graduate degrees in library and information studies

<https://www.ala.org/news/2024/08/ala-announces-2024-2025-spectrum-scholars>

Amaobi Kenechi Otiji, Rutgers University
Nyakundi James Nyambane, Drexel University



ALA PPA NEWS AND DEVELOPMENTS

>> The Freedom to Read Community Day of Action will take place on October 19th, organized by #UniteAgainstBookBans, @RuralLibAssoc, @BKLYNlibrary, @nypl, and @QPLNYC in collaboration with libraries and advocates nationwide.

<https://x.com/UABookBans/status/1817329117785633058>

Reader. Voter. Ready.
As we approach another series of local, state, and national elections, every eligible American should be informed, registered, and ready to vote. Join ALA's...
ala.org

The graphic features the ALA logo on the left and the text on the right. The ALA logo consists of the letters 'ALA' in red and 'American Library Association' in blue.

Toolkits, webinars and more information here :
<https://www.ala.org/advocacy/reader-voter-ready>

BANNED BOOKS WEEK Sept. 22-28, 2024
Freed Between the Lines
ALA American Library Association

The graphic features the text 'BANNED BOOKS WEEK' in large, bold letters, with 'Sept. 22-28, 2024' below it. To the left is a stylized graphic of an open book with the words 'FREED BETWEEN THE LINES' written across its pages. The ALA logo is in the bottom right corner.

The theme for Banned Books Week 2024 (September 22-28) is "Freed Between the Lines." We can find freedom in the pages of a book — but book bans and censorship threaten that freedom, along with many other rights and institutions. During Banned Books Week 2024 and beyond, let's share our love of right to read and the freedom found in books. Let's be Freed Between the Lines!