



Notes & Tracings

Newsletter of the Academic Section

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From the Chair by Angela Dunnington

It is almost time for “Louisiana Libraries are For You” this year’s Louisiana Library Association Annual Conference theme.

The annual conference is right around the corner in Alexandria at the Riverfront Center on July 7-9, 2022. Registration is currently open at:

<https://llaonline.org/event-4701942>

The Academic Section will host face-to-face events and programs during the conference including a joint breakfast and business meeting with ACRL-LA, Subject Specialists Section, and the Preservation Interest Group. Debbie Huntington, Northwestern State University will be our featured speaker and will present *Watson’s Living Library: Everyone Has a Story*. I feel this program would especially inspire academic librarians who want to incorporate personal story programming at their libraries and campuses. You will not want to miss this presentation!

The conference committee has been working hard to bring social and networking opportunities to the conference. Friday evening will be the Awards Ceremony from 6:00-8:00pm and a Networking Lunch with Trivia is scheduled for Saturday from Noon-1:15pm. The President’s Program and General Membership meeting will wrap up the conference on Saturday afternoon. These events will sure provide opportunities to network, mingle, and meet with library colleagues from around the state.

I hope to see many of you next month and learn more about the exciting work taking place within our section and throughout academic libraries around the state. Please don’t hesitate to contact me, Shanna, or Caitlin, with your questions about ways you can get involved!

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Chair



Academic Section news

Section Officers Nominations 2022-2023

Nominations are being sought for the **Academic Section Secretary** position. If you are interested in being slated, please send a short bio and headshot to Hilary Padavan at the LLA Office (lla@amigos.org).

Remember to pre-register for the following Academic Section event!

The Academic Section/ACRL-LA/Subject Specialist Section/Preservation Interest Group Breakfast will be held on Friday, July 8, at 8:00-9:30am. Please purchase your tickets during pre-registration.

<https://llaonline.org/event-4701942>

About the Academic Section

Purpose:

The mission of the Academic Section is to provide a network for the exchange of ideas, to enhance leadership for college and university libraries, and to promote study and research relevant to academic libraries.

Officers:

Chair; Vice Chair/Chair Elect; Secretary.

Committees:

Awards
Conference Programs
Grants
Publications

Publications:

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LLA Annual Conference:

Conference information can be found on the conference webpage (<https://llaonline.org/Academic-Section>)

Awards:

Outstanding Academic Librarian Award
Grassroots Grant for Library Student to Attend Conference

Activities:

- Holds Annual Section Meeting at LLA Annual Conference
- Sponsors continuing education programs on topics of interest to academic libraries
- Co-sponsors a meal with ACRL-LA, Subject Specialist Section/Preservation Interest Group at the LLA Annual Conference

Louisiana Library Association Annual Conference

Academic Section to sponsor a variety of events and breakout sessions, and other programs of interest



****SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE****

PRE-CONFERENCE EVENTS

THURSDAY, JULY 7, 2022

9:00am - 12:00pm (Preregistration Required)

- *Getting Weeded: Retirement Planning for Library Workers*
LaSSAL

1:00pm - 4:00pm (Preregistration Required)

- *Anti-Racism and Libraries: What YOU Need to Know!*
Public Section

5:00pm - 6:00pm

- *LLA Executive Board Meeting*

6:00pm - 8:00pm

- *Exhibits Opening*

CONFERENCE EVENTS & SESSIONS

FRIDAY, JULY 8, 2022

8:00am - 9:30am (Preregistration Required)

- *Academic Breakfast.*

9:30am - 10:30am

- *Learning Circles & Remote Workers.* Clare Coleman, Jeff Davis

9:30am - 10:30am

- *Loups Garous, Cauchemars, and Feux Follets! Integrating Archives and Folklore to Display Original Children's Stories on the Institutional Repository.* Zack Stein and Roxanne Bourque, UL Lafayette

10:45am - 11:45am

- *Managing Organizational Change.* Giovanni J. Tairov, Livingston

10:45am - 11:45am

- *Mental Health Training for Librarians: Helping Ourselves to Help Others.* Blair Jones, Jada Hector, and Valerie Saba, UL Lafayette

10:45am - 11:45am

- *Mental Maintenance Self-Care and Mindfulness for the Overwhelmed, Impatient, Fastidious, and Quick-tempered.* Jeremy Bolom, Lincoln

10:45am - 11:45am

- *Partnerships to Bridge the Digital Divide: What Happens When Academic Libraries, Public Libraries, the State Library of Louisiana, and Government Leaders Come Together?* Laurie Blandino, LOUIS

12:00pm - 1:30pm (Preregistration Required)

- *Public & Trustee Sections' Awards Luncheon* featuring Leo Hon-eycutt

1:30pm - 2:30pm

- *Libraries, OER, and Dual Enrollment.* Emily Frank and Laurie Blandino, LOUIS: The Louisiana Library Network, LOUIS

CONFERENCE EVENTS & SESSIONS

FRIDAY, JULY 8, 2022, cont.

2:45pm - 3:45pm

- *Library Ethics Round Up.* Rebecca Hamilton, State Library of Louisiana

4:00pm - 5:00pm

- *Broadband Initiative - Bringing Faster Internet to Your Community.* Francesca Parent, Kisatchie Delta Regional Planning & Development District and Mia Ruffin, Capital Region Planning Commission

6pm - 8pm (No cost - Preregistration Required)

- *Awards Celebration*

CONFERENCE EVENTS & SESSIONS

SATURDAY, JULY 9, 2022

8:30am - 9:15am (Poster Sessions & Light Continental Breakfast)

- *We Cannot Wait: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Louisiana Libraries.* Nicollette Davis, East Baton Rouge Public Library

- *Face to Facebook: Library Virtual Programming and the Crisis of Connection.* Chandler Taylor, Ascension Parish Library

- *Bringing Graphic Medicine to Our Students: How It Worked for Us and Can for You.* Erin Ware and David Duggar, LSU Health Shreveport

9:30am - 10:30am

- *Staff Association - What?* Gail Goldberg and Celise Reech-Harper, Rapides Parish Library, Kendra Bertrand, Secretary and Cory Miller, Treasurer

9:30am - 10:30am

- *Fostering Wellness in the Library Workspace.* Jennifer Ortiz and Katie Pierce-Farrier, National Library of Medicine (NNLM), Region 3, University of North Texas Health Science Center, and Margie Shepard, NNLM, Region 3, University of Kansas Medical Center

10:45am - 11:45am

- *Coaching Staff to Success: An Introduction to Coaching.* Jessica Styons, State Library of Louisiana

10:45am - 11:45am

- *Spotlight on National Library Trends: Ditching Dewey.* Megan Thomas, State Library of Louisiana

12:00pm - 1:30pm (Preregistration Required)

- *Stay & Play Lunch with Trivia*

1:30pm - 2:30pm

President's Program/ Closing Session

2:30pm - 4pm

General Membership Meeting

Library news

Louisiana State University submitted by Christine Wendling

This spring, the LSU Libraries welcomed several new employees. In March, **Kat H. Dean** was hired as a Resource Sharing Specialist. In April, **Audrey Portier** was hired as Government Documents - Microforms, Collections, and Student Supervisor. In May, **Cory Hinojosa** was hired as Access Services Library Assistant and **Christine Wendling** was hired as Director of Communications.

The LSU Libraries have had a productive year in terms of 2022 publications. To date, the LSU Libraries' faculty and staff have published 11 articles and one new book this year.

Sigrid Kelsey edited the book, *Fostering Student Success: Academic, Social, and Financial Initiatives*, ALA Editions, 2022, which provides real-world advice and ideas drawn from case studies to help academic libraries support students academically, socially, and financially, especially those who are facing barriers. Additionally, **Sarah Simms** and **Narcissa Haskins** contributed a chapter to the book.

Germain Bienvenu reviewed three books in volume 92, issue 3 of *Catholic Library World: The Church and the Dark Ages (430-1027): St. Benedict, Charlemagne, and the Rise of Christendom, Father Abraham's Many Children: The Bible in a World of Religious Difference, and Mysterion: The Revelatory Power of the Sacramental Worldview*.

Amanda Hawk co-authored and published "Adherence to Standardized Measures and Metrics for Public Services in U.S.-based Special Collections Libraries and Archival Institutions" in the *Journal of Library Administration*, volume 62.

Kaci Wilson (LSU Shreveport), **Amanda Hawk**, and **Marty Miller** co-authored and published "Implementing a Hybrid Internship During the COVID-19 Pandemic" in the *New Review of Academic Librarianship*, volume 28.

Andrea Hebert and **David Dunaway** authored a book chapter, "Beyond Impact Factor: Understanding Scholarly Metrics and Increasing Exposure," in *Productivity and Publishing: Writing Processes for New Scholars and Researchers*.

Michael O. Holt co-authored "Using Suma Counting Software to Assess Usage Throughout an Academic Library Renovation" in the *Journal of Electronic Resources Librarianship*, volume 34, issue 1.

Randa Morgan co-authored "A Systematic Review of Trucking Food, Physical Activity, and Tobacco Environments and Tractor-trailer Drivers' Related Patterns and Practices in the United States and Canada, 1993-2021." in *Preventive Medicine Reports* volume 26, April 2022, and "Nutrition Interventions Addressing Structural Racism: A Scoping Review." in *Nutrition Research Reviews*, January 2022.

Hans Rasmussen published "The Ways of the Whigs: Campaign Materials from the Second Party System" in *Civil War Book Review* (forthcoming, Winter 2022).

Michael Russo published a review of Werner Herzog's debut novel, *Twilight World*, in *Library Journal*, volume 147, issue 4.

Library news

Louisiana Tech University submitted by *Angela Dunnington*

Winter Collier is the new Administrative Assistant in the Library's Directors Office since October 2021. Winter previously worked as an Administrative Assistant in the College of Applied and Natural Sciences Nursing Department at Louisiana Tech University.

Jeffrey Stepp is the new Cataloger and System Administrator for LOUIS. Jeffrey is a familiar face at Prescott Memorial Library, having worked in User Services (Circulation/ILL) since 2018 and earning his MLIS at Clarion University of Pennsylvania.

Tanya Lynn Arant, Library Specialist 3, Special Collections and Archives, was accepted into LSU's School of Library and Information Science Master's program this fall.

Nolan Eller, Special Collections Librarian and University Archivist, accepted a position at Wabash College leaving Prescott Memorial Library in August.

Angela Dunnington joined in May 2022 as Executive Library Director. Prior to this position, Angela worked at Sims Memorial Library (Southeastern) for the last 20 years in different capacities.

Following the passing of two beloved key personnel, Library Director, **Rita Franks** and Engineering and Science Librarian, **Kevin Cuccia**, Prescott Memorial Library has undergone some transitions over the last few years. Thanks to **Sue McFadden** for serving as Interim Library Director and to **Mike Dicarolo**, Library Dean Emeritus for their continued guidance and support. Prescott Library is now a part of the Division of Information Technology reporting to the University's Chief Information Officer. We look forward to this sustainable partnership with future technological advancements.

Nicholls State University submitted by *Brandy Burbante*

Ellender Memorial Library welcomed new employees in the past year. **Mary Katherine Kearns**, **Michelle Ledet**, and **Jenna Bergeron** joined the Archives and Special Collections department. Mary Katherine is Assistant Archivist, and Michelle and Jenna are the department's new library specialists. Technical Services gained a new library associate, **Cain Madden**, who also assists as the backup system administrator and helps with electronic and serials cataloging. **Caroline Pontiff** joined as the new library specialist in the Government Information department.

The library participated in the university's annual Give-N-Day fundraiser and raised \$2,980.00!

University of Louisiana at Lafayette submitted by *Susan Richard*

Jennifer Hamilton, Head of Instructional Services, **Blair Stapleton**, Assistant Dean for Public Services, and **Heather Plaisance**, Head of Reference & Research Services, published "More Than Just a Walk Through: Connect Library Users to Resources with New 360 Tools" in *College & Undergraduate Libraries*.

Zachary Stein, Head of Special Collections, and **Dianne Olivier**, College of Education, gave a presentation at the 2022 Louisiana Education Research Association (LERA) annual meeting on March 11 about Stein's dissertation literature review, "The Impact of Digital Archives on Scholarship and Universities." **Stein** co-presented with **Zach Tompkins** at the 2022 Society of Southwest Archivists Annual Meeting, "To Dispose and To Keep: Records Management Practices at Two Louisiana Universities." **Stein** and **Marissa Petrou**, Assistant Professor of History, were awarded an American Library Association (ALA)'s American Rescue Plan Humanities Grants for Libraries in the amount of \$10,000. Funds will be used to develop collections and resources of books, artifacts, manuscript items, and oral histories that reflect Louisiana's LGBTQ+ community. **Stein** and **Roxanne Bourque** of the College of Education's Department of Curriculum and Instruction are collaborating on an ongoing project to present and display original children's stories on the University's institutional repository. These stories, written by undergraduate students in Dr. Bourque's EDCI 308 class, derive from Louisiana folklore, and Special Collections holdings were heavily utilized. The project also spawned a showcase where the students presented their stories, and Stein provided a demonstration of the institutional repository display.

Cheyron Woods, Archivist & Head of the Ernest J. Gaines Center, co-presented at the 2022 Society of Southwest Archivists Annual

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Meeting, “Sorry to Offend(?)’ How to Deal with Microaggressions in the Profession.”

Janelle Zetty, Head of Cataloging, and **Zachary Stein**, Head of Special Collections, received a Friends of the Humanities Grant in the amount of \$1,717. The grant funds will be used to purchase graphic novels and will also support two presenters on French and English graphic novels and comics.

Special Collections hosted a program on March 17 commemorating the film *Belizaire the Cajun*. Organized by **Zachary Stein**, Head of Special Collections, and **Sandy Himel**, Head of Government Information and Cajun and Creole Music Collection Librarian, the event featured a film screening, soundtrack songs performed by members of **BeauSoleil avec Michael Doucet**, an exhibit, and a panel discussion moderated by **Conni Castille** of the Department of English Moving Image Arts program. The panel included **Glen Pitre** (writer/director/producer), **Allan Durand** (co-producer), and **Michael Doucet** (music). A recording of the musical performance and panel discussion is available on *YouTube*.



See you in Alexandria!

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Alexandria, Louisiana

July 7-9, 2022