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WNYLRC Updates

The WNYLRC Offices will be closed Monday, May 27, for the holiday.

State Budget: The New York State FY 2025 Budget was passed at the end of April and we have some updates to share. Increases were made to funds for libraries, including State Library Aid and Library Construction Aid. Additionally, included in this budget is a new allocation for NOVELny which will allow the program to continue for another year.

State Aid for Libraries (Operating Aid): \$103.852 million +\$4.252 million from FY 2024 State Aid for Library Construction: \$44 million +\$10 million from FY 2024 Library Materials Aid: \$6.25/Pupil Flat to FY 2024 NOVELny: \$3 million New allocation for FY 2025

We are thankful to our state legislators who worked to include these increases in the new budget. We ask our members to please make sure to send a thank

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Advocacy page on our website.

Intersect Unconference: It's time to start submitting presentation proposals for this year's Intersect Unconference! The Unconference will be held at the Buffalo & Erie County Central Library on Friday, October 11. <u>Submit your proposal here</u>.

Annual Meeting: Save the date for the WNYLRC Annual Meeting of the Membership which will be held at the National Comedy Center on Tuesday, October 22 at 10 am.

WNYLRC Awards: You can begin submitting nominations for the WNYLRC Awards Program today! Nominate a colleague or library that upholds the WNYLRC guiding principles. Winners will be presented at the Annual Meeting. <u>Nomination form</u>



Hope Dunbar (University at Buffalo Archives) presents at The Historic Marker Program and Local Historical Resources to Support Student Work for the Seal of Civic Readiness Work, an event presented in collaboration with WNYLRC, the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library, and New York State Archives Partnership Trust.

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Registration is required for all training. You must register for these programs via the WNYLRC website. You will need to create an account on the website in order to register if you have not already done so.

Check out our events and training page for upcoming programs this month!

LibAnswers for Public Libraries, Wednesday May 22 from 10:00 am to 11:00

am: Learn more about how LibAnswers can benefit your patrons with this overview of LibAnswers, a reference solution platform offered by Springshare. Caitlin will be available to answer any questions about the Ask Us 24/7 Cooperative. <u>Register here.</u>

LibGuides and LibCal for Public Libraries, Wednesday May 29 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am: Learn how your patrons can easily access library resources (including databases) all in one place with this overview of LibGuides. Additionally, LibCal can help you coordinate your programming calendar with an included reservation and appointments tool. All of these systems integrate with each other and other Springshare platforms, including LibAnswers. Register here.

Building Your Research Data Management Toolkit: Integrating RDM into Your Liaison Work, Tuesday July 16 and Wednesday July 17 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm: This two-day workshop will assist liaisons to identify their existing skills and mindsets that transfer to research data management services and then create a learning plan for the RDM specific knowledge needed to serve their subject disciplines. Tools, hints, and tricks will be shared that facilitate partnerships on campus with disciplinary faculty and with other RDM service providers. Register here.

To learn about and register for professional development opportunities from other ESLN councils across the state, check out <u>the shared calendar</u>!

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News from the Region

Congratulations to Gretchen Sweigert, who was recently hired <u>as the new</u> <u>director of the **Newfane Public Library**</u> (*Nioga Library System*).

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largest green roof in Western New York.

Congratulations to Erin Rowley, Engineering Librarian; Michelle Zafron, Coordinator, Reference and Education Services for Health Sciences at Abbott Library; and Carolyn Klotzbach-Russell, Social Services Librarian at *University at Buffalo*. <u>All were recognized with a Luminary Award at the Panasci</u> Technology Entrepreneurship Competition.

Congratulations to Frederick Stoss, Sciences Librarian at *University at Buffalo*, for being <u>elected as an American Association for the Advancement of</u> <u>Science (AAAS) Fellow</u>.

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The NYLA 2024 President-Elect Live Candidate Forum Wednesday, May 22nd from 11:00AM - 12:00PM

It's almost time for you to use YOUR voice and shape the leadership and future of YOUR association. Your vote is important in choosing our leaders and we hope to see you at our upcoming NYLA 2024 President-Elect Candidate Forum! This will be a LIVE and recorded event with general questions from NYLA and then a live Q&A from our members.

If you would like one of your questions to be selected during the live Q&A, please add them in the Questions & Comment section of this registration form. Please note this will be streamed LIVE on NYLA's Facebook page, however, registration through Zoom is HIGHLY encouraged. Feel free to send over some love on Facebook Live as well since we will be monitoring those comments alongside the Zoom chat.

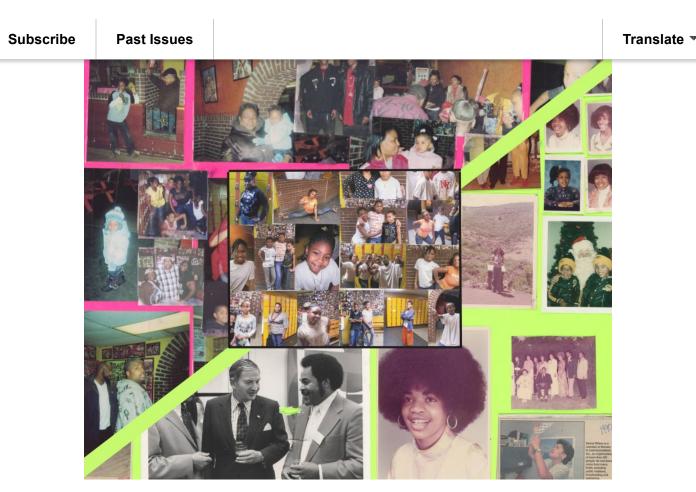
After the President-Elect Candidate Forum, ALL candidate Q&As will be made available for NYLA Members to view. If you have any questions, please contact C at <u>marketing@nyla.org</u>.

Register for this event here.

Learn about NYLA Council candidates here.

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In the summer of 2018, Daemen College gratefully accepted a large collection of photo collages from Skateland, a roller rink owned and operated on Buffalo's East Side. Kiddy Skateland would later be renamed "New Skateland" and featured colorful murals on the outside of the building. From the 70s until the 2000s, the proprietors of Kiddy Skateland took photos of patrons and displayed them in massive collages on the walls of the rink. Most of the photos are from patrons in the building, but there are a good deal of photos and portraits from outside the venue. There were two skating rinks at Kiddy Skateland, one for all and one exclusively for children. Some of the collages in this collection provide a window to the East Side community by showing years of community members celebrating birthdays or simply having fun skating around the rink.

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