

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings, NCLA Members!

I think that we all can agree that this year's NCLA/SCLA/CLASC Professional Development series was fantastic. Once again, kudos to NCLA Vice President Melanie Davidoff for taking the lead in coordinating this series with our colleagues in SCLA.



On September 20, 2024, the Annual Nassau County Legislative Breakfast was held at Farmingdale Public Library. It was wonderful spending the morning hearing colleagues and legislators advocate for our public libraries. Those in attendance understood that we are involved in important work that requires funding and support from elected officials.



NCLA President Syntychia Kendrick-Samuel asks New York State legislators to support Nassau County libraries at the Annual Nassau County Legislative Breakfast.

The NCLA Annual Dinner will be held at the Coral House in Baldwin on Thursday, December 5, 2024, from 6pm-10pm in the Colonial Skylight Room. In the interest of increasing payment options to attend the event, the Annual Dinner Committee has recently added the ability to pay by credit card. It would be wonderful if **ALL** of our incoming NCLA Executive Board Members and Division Officers are in attendance to take their oath of office in-person at this Association event!

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me at:

skendrick-samuel@uniondalelibrary

if you have any questions or concerns in regards to NCLA or the world of libraries in general.

Syntychia Kendrick-Samuel
2024 NCLA President

2025 NCLA Executive Board Nominations

Vice President/President Elect:

Michelle Samuel

Michelle is currently the Head of Adult Services and Information at the Oceanside Library. As an active member of NCLA, Michelle is currently finishing her term as President of the Children's Services Division and is the chairperson of the Recruitment and Scholarship Committee, co-chair of the Library Staff of Color Committee, and has previously served as Treasurer and President of YASD.

Secretary:

Mildred Bernstein

Mildred Bernstein is a former public children's librarian who recently obtained her Ed.D. in Administration and Supervision. She is currently serving as the Vice President for the Smithtown Library Board. She is passionate about diversity and equality in all literature, especially children's.

Lisa Zuena

Lisa Zuena is the Communications and Marketing Specialist at the Nassau Library System and before that she was a Young Adult Librarian. She's a past president of the NCLA Young Adult Services Division and also served as YASD's Recording Secretary and Technology Chair. She loves being able to support all the public libraries in Nassau

County by teaching classes, consulting, and through initiatives like the Nassau Library Tour.

Treasurer:

Cara Howfield

Cara Howfield started working at her neighborhood library in Elmont at the age of 16. Cara is the Head of Young Adult Services at the Elmont Library. She is the current NCLA Treasurer. She is looking forward to continuing with NCLA.

Directors (2-year Term):

Rosemarie Birofka

Rosemarie Birofka has been a Children's Librarian for nine years. She is currently the Head of Children's at the North Merrick Public Library. She served as President of the NCLA Children's Services Division in 2020. She has held the Recording Secretary position since 2023. She would like to be considered for the NCLA Director position.

Stacey Mencher

Stacey Mencher is running for 2-yr director to complete her challenge of being on each position on the NCLA Executive Board. She has been Secretary, Vice President/President Elect, President, and is currently Immediate Past President. She has been involved in the planning of the Long Island Library Conference for years and

enjoys working with fellow library professionals. She works at Syosset Public Library as the Technology and Applications Manager and is the creator of all the fun memes for NCLA.

Catherine Nashak

My name is Cathi Nashak, and I'm running for NCLA Director. I am the Assistant Director at Hewlett-Woodmere and has served on the NCLA Executive Board for the past five years, and served on the LILRC Legislative Committee and SCLA Executive Board. I would be honored to continue working with my fellow colleagues.

Jody Ruggiero

Jody Ruggiero is running for 2-year director. She is a co-founder of Long Island Library Pride Alliance (LILPA) and currently on the YASD board. She is the head of Teen Services at the Syosset Public Library. She also in charge of the makerspace in the library, if you need anything made, contact her. In her free time she is a Muppet and/or a silly mongoose.

BALLOT



NASSAU COUNTY LIBRARY
ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DINNER &
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

NCLA's 90th Anniversary Celebration

CORAL HOUSE

(Colonial Skylight Room)

70 MILBURN AVENUE, BALDWIN, NY 11510

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2024

6:00 - 10:00 PM

OPEN BAR | COCKTAIL HOUR | BUFFET DINNER |
DESSERT | 50/50 RAFFLE | DANCING WITH DJ ROB
OF PACE ENTERTAINMENT | RAFFLE BASKETS |
LOTTERY TREE | INSTALLATION OF THE 2025 NCLA
OFFICERS

Come support your Division and the newly installed Executive Board of NCLA!
Payments can be made online through Wild Apricot <https://ncla.wildapricot.org/event-5916415>
or by submitting the completed bottom portion of this form and return to Ida Zaharopoulos at
the Seaford Public Library by Thursday, November 14th.

Prior Registration Required For Admittance Membership will be verified
Please send checks only payable to NCLA. Sorry, No Cash/No Refunds

Name: _____

Library/Affiliation: _____ Phone Number: _____

_____ \$75.00 NCLA MEMBERS

_____ \$85.00 Non NCLA MEMBERS

All attendees will be automatically entered into a drawing to win a free NCLA Membership!

Any questions please call Ida Zaharopoulos at the Seaford Public Library 516-221-1334

TD Bank Affinity Program

NCLA members are reminded to enroll in the TD Bank Affinity Program if they are opening a new account at TD Bank (or already have an account). ***TD is willing to give a contribution to NCLA as a part of their "Affinity Membership Program."***

Read the TD Bank Affinity Program brochure available at the NCLA website at <https://ncla.info/ncla-executive-board/raise-money-ncla/> or talk to a TD representative for more information.

**NCLA Affinity Code is
AH176**

For more information, contact:

Cara Howfield
NCLA Treasurer
Elmont Public Library
(516) 354-5280
nclatreas@yahoo.com



UPCOMING EVENTS

LILRC has a full range of continuing education opportunities coming up in November and December!! Registration for all events is at lilrc.org/events.

AI and Workforce Development in Libraries: Overcoming Barriers and Embracing Centering Community at Your Library
Wednesday, November 13,
2:00pm

Project Communication and Collaboration for Librarians
Friday, November 15,
10:00am

Patents, Trademarks and Where to Search: a Brief Tour of the USPTO New Databases
Thursday, November 21,
11:30am

Writing Trauma: Caring For Yourself and Your Reader
Thursday, December 5,
2:00pm

Designing the Solar System
Tuesday, December 10,
3:00pm

The Essentials of Music Copyright Law
Wednesday December 11,
2:00pm

HR Insurance Essentials (Session 1)
Thursday, December 12,
11:00am

Rise in Banned Books

The number of books banned in public schools over the past year skyrocketed to more than 10,000, with two states — Iowa and Florida — responsible for most of the bans, according to preliminary findings released by PEN America, a nonprofit advocating for the protection of free expression.

The rise in banned books during the 2023-2024 school year — nearly tripling from the 3,362 bans that PEN recorded the previous year — can be attributed partly to the singling out of books about romance, women's sexual experiences, and rape or sexual abuse, according to PEN America. Books with LGBTQ+ or racial themes or characters from marginalized groups also continue to be targeted.

This year's report came out during Banned Books Week in September 2024. The report is available at: <https://pen.org/memo-on-school-book-bans-2023-2024-school-year/>.





Children's Services
Division of NCLA

ANNUAL INSTALLATION

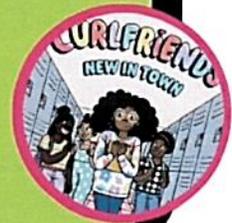
BREAKFAST



Monday, December 2
9:30am-12pm
at The Inn at Fox Hollow

\$35 for members
\$50 for non-members
CEUs will be awarded

Register online with Wild Apricot
Pay online by credit card or choose "invoice me" and send a
check to James Grzybowski at Uniondale Library



✦ GUEST SPEAKER ✦

Sharee Miller

Author

Illustrator

Registrants will be entered to win an
Amazon gift card

NASSAU COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION PROPOSED 2025 BUDGET

	Proposed 2025 Budget		Approved 2024 Budget	
	Revenue	Expenses	Revenue	Expenses
Administrative				
Audit		\$1,950		\$1,950
CHAR 500 filing fee (NY State)				
Bank Charges		\$200		\$200
Processor Fees (credit card)		\$3,000		\$3,000
Bank Rewards	\$300		\$300	
Conference & Travel		\$100		\$100
Digitization Project				
Filing Fees (CHAR500)		\$75		\$75
Hospitalities		\$250		\$250
Insurance		\$850		\$850
Postage (\$350 Bulk permit fee)		\$450		\$450
Supplies		\$475		\$475
Web Page				
Domain Name (ncla.inf; ncla.site)		\$90		\$90
Web Site Template/Plug-ins		\$50		\$50
Organization Portal ⁽¹⁾		\$5,000		\$0
Zoom meetings		\$1,400		\$1,250
Memberships (NYLA)		\$75		\$75
Contingency		\$500		\$500
Interest ⁽²⁾	\$25		\$25	
Total Administrative	\$325	\$14,465	\$325	\$9,315
Publications				
Directories of Libraries	\$6,100	\$6,000	\$6,100	\$6,000
Newsletter (Print editions)		\$200		\$200
Statistics				
P.L. Statistics ⁽³⁾				\$4,000
Total Publications	\$6,100	\$6,200	\$6,100	\$10,200
Divisions				
Academic & Special Services	\$100	\$500	\$100	\$500
Children's Services	\$1,600	\$10,000	\$1,300	\$10,000
Outreach (RIF)		\$2,000		\$2,000
Media Services	\$1,250	\$1,825	\$1,000	\$1,500
Public Relations/Programming	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$2,000
Reference & Adult Services	\$2,000	\$2,975	\$2,000	\$2,975
Support Staff	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$1,500
Young Adult Services	\$2,250	\$6,775	\$2,250	\$6,775
Total Divisions	\$9,200	\$27,575	\$8,650	\$27,250

NASSAU COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION PROPOSED 2025 BUDGET

	Proposed 2025 Budget		Approved 2024 Budget	
	Revenue	Expenses	Revenue	Expenses
Committees				
Archives		\$50		\$50
Civil Service		\$100		\$100
Computers & Technology	\$200	\$550	\$200	\$550
Constitution & By-laws		\$50		\$50
Continuing Education	\$100	\$150	\$100	\$150
Emerging Librarians	\$100	\$500	\$100	\$200
Finance		\$25		\$25
Health Services	\$100	\$250	\$100	\$250
Intellectual Freedom	\$150	\$1,075	\$150	\$1,075
LDA Award		\$450		\$600
Legislation		\$0		\$0
Library Staff of Color	\$500	\$1,050	\$500	\$1,050
Long Island Pride Alliance		\$500		\$500
Membership ⁽⁴⁾	\$37,500	\$250	\$37,500	\$250
Mentoring	\$100	\$500	\$100	\$500
Nominating		\$50		\$50
Personnel Issues & Prof. Con.		\$50		\$50
Pop Culture	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Retirees	\$500	\$750	\$500	\$750
Scholarship & Recruitment		\$0		\$0
Total Committees	\$40,750	\$7,850	\$40,750	\$7,700
Promotions				
Advocacy Fund		\$0		\$0
LI Library Conference		\$600		\$600
Advertising (social media)		\$500		\$500
Membership Incentive		\$750		\$750
Total Promotions	\$0	\$1,850	\$0	\$1,850
Institutional Services				
Mercy First	\$0	\$1,400	\$0	\$1,400
Events				
Annual Legislative Breakfast		\$1,000		\$1,000
Annual Dinner	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
LILRC				
Documentary Heritage		\$900		\$875
Annual Conference		\$900		\$875
Reception at NYLA for LI		\$500		\$400
Library Legislation Day Bus Trip		\$5,000		\$5,000
LI Library Conf (Virtual 2022)	\$5,000		\$5,000	
Networking (2024- 90th Anniversary Boat Cruise)	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750
Total Events	\$10,750	\$14,050	\$10,750	\$13,900
Total Operating Income	\$67,125		\$66,575	
Total Operating Expenditures		\$73,390		\$71,615
Total Operating Income over/(under) Operating Expenditures		(\$6,265)		(\$5,040)

**NASSAU COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
PROPOSED 2025 BUDGET**

	Proposed 2025 Budget		Approved 2024 Budget	
	Revenue	Expenses	Revenue	Expenses
Scholarships				
Andy Ippolito	\$500	\$2,000	\$500	\$2,000
Scholarship Interest	\$25		\$25	
Education Grant	\$500	\$1,000	\$500	\$1,000
Scholarship Interest	\$25		\$25	
Total Scholarships	\$1,050	\$3,000	\$1,050	\$3,000
Total Income over/(under) Expenditures	(\$8,215)		(\$6,990)	

⁽¹⁾ NCLA paid for a 2-year subscription in 2023. The 2025 renewal is for 2-years.
⁽²⁾ Interest earned includes Intellectual Freedom plus NCLA accounts.
⁽³⁾ P.L. Statistics - Since responses have been difficult to get from the libraries, Mamie has indicated that she will not be doing anything with this publication at this time.
⁽⁴⁾ 2024 Membership income is overstated. Program fees paid via WildApricot may not have been attributed to the proper budget line. This is due to Division/Committees not sending the registration information to Cara.

ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING

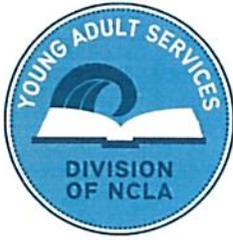
**Friday, December 13, 2024
9:30 am**

All members are welcome to join the Executive Board Meeting,
which will be held virtually on Zoom at this time.

You are invited to a Zoom meeting.
When: Dec. 13, 2024 09:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpceqpqD0oGdyIIJNCINPqYQmZw20CygRk>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information
about joining the meeting.



2025 YASD OFFICERS

Vice President/ President Elect:

Amy D'Arco

My name is Amy D'Arco, and I am a Young Adult Librarian at the Levittown Public Library. I started working in libraries as a page at the Henry Waldinger Memorial Library and then worked in publishing at Penguin Random House for several years. While earning my library degree, I worked as a trainee at the Levittown Public Library and am now a full-time Librarian here. I have been an active member of YASD for the past two years, serving as the PR/Marketing Chair, Secretary, and interim Vice President. I'm excited to run for Vice President and I look forward to the next year!

Secretary:

Sarah Nashak

I started as a Librarian Trainee in Suffolk County, then made my way over to Long Beach Public Library, working in the Youth Services Department. I now work as a teen librarian at Long Beach Public Library and as a children's librarian at the Oceanside Library. I started on YASD as the PR/Marketing Committee Chairperson in 2023, then

became Secretary in May of 2024.

All candidates are currently running unopposed.

REMINDER: Shannon Dalrymple will fulfill her elected term as President, having assumed the role this year after a vacancy. Noureen Qadir-Jafar will complete her second year as Treasurer.

To vote for the 2025 YASD Division Officers, you must log into your Wild Apricot Membership Portal to vote: <https://ncla.wildapricot.org/Sys/Poll/56896>

If you prefer a paper ballot, please reach out to Caroline Lynch directly 516-374-1967 ex 248
clynch@hwpl.org

Caroline Lynch **Nominating Chair of YASD**

DIGITAL NCLA Membership Card

This is a reminder that your **NCLA Membership Card** is **DIGITAL!** Please log in to the membership portal to view your card. *Print cards will not be sent out!*

Please contact Emily Trezza with questions or problems accessing your card, etrezza@whplibrary.org or leave a voicemail at 516-481-6591 x 18. Login here:

<https://ncla.wildapricot.org/Sys/Login>



From the November 2024 President's Message

The recent election results will have a significant impact at local, state, and national levels. [ALA vows to continue its defense of the core values of librarianship](#) in the face of political threats. Whether or not your local elected officials hold your political views, now is the time to ready your messages to them, both established and newly elected. Welcome them. Invite them to your libraries over the coming holidays. Introduce them to your resources and start or continue to build those important relationships. Take pictures and publicize them. We appreciate you sharing your stories, the successes and the challenges.

Do check out the many [United for Libraries resources](#) that can provide information to experienced advocates as well as those just beginning.

Deborah Doyle **2024-2026 United for Libraries President**





Library Staff of Color
Committee Meeting

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

**VIRTUAL VIA ZOOM MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH
2:00PM - 3:00PM**

**THE ZOOM LINK WILL BE SENT TO
REGISTRANTS.**



REFERENCE & ADULT SERVICES DIVISION

2025 ELECTION

Please take a moment to vote for our 2025 Division Officers.

There are two candidates for each position – Vice President and Corresponding Secretary.

VICE – PRESIDENT/ PRESIDENT ELECT

Mark Shimnowski (Franklin Square Public Library)

Mark Shimnowski graduated from CUNY Queens College School of Library Science in 2012. Over the past three years, he has been actively involved with NCLA, serving in various leadership roles, including Vice President, President, and Past President of the Media Services Division. Additionally, he has contributed to the Health Services Committee, support-ing program initiatives during this time.

Currently, he works full-time as an Adult Reference Librarian II at Franklin Square Library. His responsibilities include hosting book clubs, assisting with book cataloging, book and media acquisitions, supervising the Page Department, overseeing homebound deliveries, and providing notary services.

Elly Muller (Baldwin Public Library)

Elizabeth (Elly) Muller currently serves as a Reference Librarian at the Baldwin Public Library. In

addition to research and reader's advisory responsibilities, she manages the Library's adult programming, where she has implemented new and low cost programs. Prior to joining the Baldwin Public Library, she served as the Supervising Librarian for Youth Services at the Merrick Library, where she was responsible for collection development, managing the department budget and programming.

Elly began working at the Merrick Library in 2016 as a trainee and soon moved to Adult Services. She has also worked as a press officer both at the Smithsonian Institution and the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Elly graduated from Queens College with a Masters in Library Science in 2018.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Megan Murphy (Plainview - Old Bethpage Public Library)

Megan Murphy is the Collection Development and Technical Services Supervisor at the Plainview-Old Bethpage Public Library. She began working there 13 years ago as a page in the Reference Department, and then as a Librarian Trainee while earning her degree at LIU's Palmer School of Library and Information Science.

Since then, she has enjoyed working as the Local History Librarian before becoming the Collection Development Supervisor, and later, Technical Services. Her current work allows her to combine acquisition of physical and digital materials along with overseeing

maintenance of the adult circulating collection. While this is her first time running for a committee position, she is excited for the opportunity!

Wendy Roque (Bryant Library)

Wendy received her MLS degree from Queens College in 2008. She started her library career in academic libraries - first, as an adjunct academic librarian at Nassau Community College and then teaching Information Literacy to freshmen. She moved to public libraries in 2019 at Bryant Library and has not looked back.

At Bryant she is an Adult Reference Librarian. She started the Seed Exchange program, the non-fiction book club, and three podcasts. She also co-established Bryant's Pollinating garden in 2023. The garden has been registered with the Pollinator Pathway initiative.

You must login in to your Wild Apricot Membership Portal to vote:

<https://ncla.wildapricot.org/Sys/Poll/57108>

Deborah Honen President of RASD Bethpage Public Library



Join **NOW** to qualify for the member rate for the Annual Dinner.



TO REGISTER:
ncla.wildapricot.org/event-5920459

YASD DECEMBER INSTALLATION BRUNCH

December 10th

10am-12pm

REVEL

835 FRANKLIN AVE.
GARDEN CITY, NY 11530

\$20
members
\$35
non-members



Speaker

Lyssa Mia Smith, PhD

Author of award-winning

YA book Revelle

Cohost of podcast

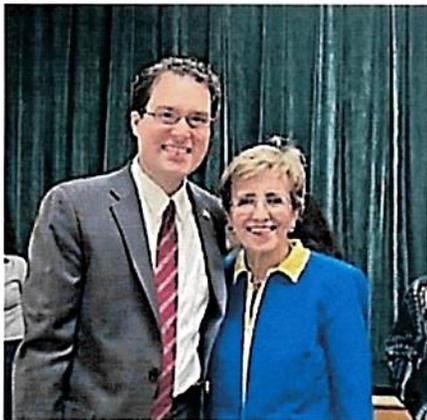
Turning to Story

COPIES OF THE BOOK AND 2 CEUS WILL BE PROVIDED!

39th Annual Nassau Legislative Breakfast

Friday, September 20, 2024

Long Island Library Resources Council ♦ Nassau County Library Association





Thanks to all the legislators for their support!

NCLA PR/PROGRAMMING DIVISION

Fall Programming Roundtable

**Please join us for our Third Roundtable of 2024!
Are you looking for new ideas for Holiday and
Celebration programs? Come join us! We'll be chatting
about:**

- **Holiday themed program ideas**
- **Targeted celebrations like Lunar New Year or
National Pizza Day**
- **Monthly celebrations like Black History Month or
Women's History Month**
- **Seasonal program ideas: fall/winter/spring/summer**
- **Successes and/or failures**

**November 14 @ 2:30pm-4:00pm
(in-person)**

**Jackie Thresher Room
Nassau Library System
900 Jerusalem Ave. Uniondale**

[click here to register](#)

**Free for NCLA Members \$15 for non-members
Refreshments will be served. CEUs will be offered.**



Please take a moment to vote for the 2025 CSD Division Officers. Please note, two candidates are running opposed for the Recording Secretary position and Tamelee Young, the current Vice President/President Elect will assume the presidency.

2025 CSD PRESIDENT:

Tamelee Young

My name is Tamelee Young and I have been in the library world for over 15 years, spending the last 5 as a Children's Librarian.

My favorite genre is mystery, from cozy to suspense. My reading goal for the upcoming year is to read at least one children's chapter book and graphic novel a month. My hobbies are bird watching and gardening.

Included below are the biographies of our candidates.

VICE PRESIDENT / PRESIDENT ELECT:

James Grzybowski

James Grzybowski (he/they) is a Children's Librarian at the Uniondale Public Library. James has been serving a variety of roles for the Children's Services Division since 2021. Providing quality programs, materials, and creating safe spaces in libraries is a huge goal for James. Among reading many picture books, middle grade, and graphic novels, James is also a fan of manga, fantasy, sci-fi, and romance novels.

James is looking forward to continuing to serve for the Children's Services Division.

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Keanna Lee

Keanna Lee is an experienced educator and library trainee with a strong background in special education and a passion for promoting literacy and community engagement. Currently serving as a Children's Library Trainee at Bethpage Public Library, she designs and delivers inclusive programs for children, including those with special needs, and has built the bilingual collection within her department. She promotes children's programs and services through their social media committee which actively increases community engagement. Previously, she held leadership roles in her university's Council for Exceptional Children, where she developed initiatives to enhance accessibility and support for diverse learners. Keanna's collaborative approach, attention to detail, and commitment to fostering a welcoming environment make her a valuable asset for the Recording Secretary position in the Children's Services Division.

Patrick Risolo

My name is Patrick Risolo, I am a Youth Services Librarian at the Hewlett-Woodmere Public Library where I started my library career as a Part-Time Page in 2010. I went to Queen's College to earn a degree in Library Science while working in the Youth Services Department at HWPL as a Librarian Trainee. After graduating in 2019 and becoming a librarian, I have continued to work in Youth Services and have been managing the Social Media in the department for the last 2 years. I have been a member of NCLA since 2021 and I look forward to seeing how I can make a contribution to CSD.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:

Jennifer Zodkovic

I began my career in libraries over 22 years ago as a page at the Wantagh Public Library, where I am now the Head of Youth Services. I have also briefly held part-time positions at the Hempstead Public Library and Bellmore Memorial Library. I have played an active role in CSD since 2021 when I began my first term as corresponding secretary. It has been a pleasure to serve on the CSD board and I would be delighted to continue in this position in 2025.

DIRECTOR:

Maryanne Linehan

Maryanne has worked at the Levittown Public Library for the past 29 years, first as a page, then a Children's Librarian and is currently Assistant Head of Children's Services. She is a long time member of both NCLA and Children's Services Division (CSD). Maryanne has held numerous board positions for CSD, which include Director, Vice-President, and division President twice. Currently, Maryanne chairs the membership committee of CSD and also serves as the co-chair of the LDA Committee for NCLA. I look forward to once again serving on the board for Children's Services.

You must login in to your Wild Apricot Membership Portal to vote: <https://ncla.wildapricot.org/Sys/Poll/57078>

IF YOU PREFER A PAPER BALLOT PLEASE REACH OUT TO ME DIRECTLY

mfangmann@syossetlibrary.org

Meghan Reale
Children's Librarian
Syosset Library
Nominating Chair of CSD



The next Long Island Library Conference will be held on Thursday, May 8, 2025, at the Melville Marriott. The conference theme for this year is "A Celebration of Libraries".

At this time, we are asking the Library Associations and Divisions to submit their proposed program offerings. I have attached the guidelines to follow. To assist in your planning, please note that the tentative schedule for the day is as follows:

8:00 - 8:30am	Registration
8:00 - 9:00am	Exhibits
9:00 - 10:00am	Program Session I
10:00am - 10:30am	Exhibits
10:30am - 11:30am	Program Session II
11:30am - 12:15pm	Exhibits
12:15pm - 2:15pm	Buffet Lunch & Keynote
2:15pm - 2:45 pm	Exhibits
2:45pm - 3:45 pm	Program Session III

To submit programs, we will be using google forms to make the submission process easier. The form can be found at the following link: <https://forms.gle/QJ1A5xjih3xDZm3e9> and also on the Programs website at <https://libconference.org/programs/> Please note that EVERY program proposal MUST include sponsor information and will not be considered without it. If you do not have a sponsor, please

contact LILCPrograms@gmail.com or a list of possible divisions and committees that can act as sponsors can be found on the NCLA (<https://ncla.info/>) and SCLA (<http://scla.net/>) websites. We can also assist if you need program ideas.

All program submission information will be available on the conference website soon as well. Please see the Program Proposals Guidelines for further information.

The submission form must be completed by **December 13, 2024**. The schedule of programs will be finalized by the conference committee at our meeting in January and notifications will follow shortly thereafter. Please be advised that we can only reserve space for programs with defined content.

We look forward to presenting a great conference experience for all. Please let us know if you have any questions.

**Jeffrey Baker
Kate Regina
Programs Chairs
2025 Long Island Library
Conference**

DO YOU WANT THE DIRECTORY?

WERE YOU A MEMBER IN 2024?

If you want a Directory, please update your profile or contact Emily Trezza at etrezza@whplib.org

NCLA Intellectual Freedom Committee Meeting



Tuesday,
November 26, 2024
11:00 am
Virtual

Monthly Intellectual Freedom Committee meetings are open to all. No registration necessary.

For any questions, contact:

Frank McKenna
seaforddirector@nassaulibrary.info

Mara Marin
mmarin@uniondalelibrary.org,

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85901167425?pwd=iCKwn0ZlxAYvqaLVpiDuS5IHIRNDQC.1>

Meeting ID: 859 0116 7425
Passcode: 372129

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Health Services Committee

Mental Wellness through Gardening

(VIRTUAL PROGRAM)



Presented by
 Anne Rothfeld, PhD, Historian/Archivist
 User Services and Collection Engagement Branch,
 National Library of Medicine

Gardening offers a range of social and mental benefits that often go unnoticed, including (1) mindful practice in nature that helps restore negative moods and encourages relaxation, calming and effects on brains; (2) green care in green spaces through physical activity with social interaction; and (3) accessibility to affordable, nutritious, and better-tasting produce through urban "allotment gardens" and small kitchen gardening plots.



Wednesday, December 11, 2024
1-2pm via Zoom

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.1 CEU will
 be awarded

Free for NCLA members; \$15 for Non-Members

Email questions to Jeanne Strausman at: jstrausm@nyit.edu



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2024 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name:	
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Basic Membership (Select one, based on annual salary)	
<input type="checkbox"/> \$50,001 and over (\$55) <input type="checkbox"/> \$40,001 to \$50,000 (\$50) <input type="checkbox"/> \$30,001 to \$40,000 (\$40) <input type="checkbox"/> \$20,001 to \$30,000 (\$30) <input type="checkbox"/> Up to \$20,000 (\$20) <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Circle One:</i> Students, Retirees, Trustees, Friends (\$15) <input type="checkbox"/> Institutions & Vendors (\$65)*	\$ _____
*Institutional members receive one copy of every membership publication plus 5 vouchers to permit a library employee or trustee to attend a workshop at member rates. (This does not include the Long Island Library Conference or the NCLA Annual Dinner)	
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 Send this form and payment to: Emily Trezza, Membership Co-Chair
 West Hempstead Public Library 500 Hempstead Ave
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Check this box if you are interested in the Discount Dental Plan:

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Questions? NCLAMembership@gmail.com



Please complete the NCLA Committee Form if you are interested in participating in a committee.

NCLA Committees (free)

The following are the current and active committees of the Nassau County Library Association. Members of the Association may volunteer to serve on one or more committees. If you would like to enhance your participation in librarianship and the Association, please consider these areas. Check off as many as you are interested in to be submitted with your Membership Application.

- Annual Dinner: Plans and conducts the Annual Dinner and Installation of Officers.
- Archives: Maintains the Archives of the Association which are located at Farmingdale Public Library
- Civil Service: This is a joint committee of NCLA and the Member Library Directors of Nassau County
- Computers & Technology: Serves to discuss library service related to computers and technology
- Constitution & By-Laws: Conducts an annual review of NCLA's documents and proposes changes as necessary
- Continuing Education: Proposes, plans and offers continuing education of interest to all NCLA members
- Directory: Responsible for the creation and distribution of the Directory of LI Libraries and Media Centers
- Emerging Librarian: Organized for the purpose of integrating new librarians into the profession and Association
- Finance: Develops the Association's annual budget.
- Health Services: Develops and conducts programs to inform the membership of topics in this area
- Institutional Services: Manages the Associations institutional donation program
- Intellectual Freedom: Monitors intellectual freedom issues affecting libraries. Also holds annual contest.
- LDA Award: A joint committee of NCLA and Suffolk County Librarian Association to select an award recipient
- Legislation: Monitors legislative issue and conducts the annual Library Advocacy Day bus trip
- Library Staff of Color: Develops programming to increase diversity in the library community
- LI Library Conference: Joint committee of NCLA and SCLA to conduct an annual conference
- LI Library Pride Alliance: Joint committee of NCLA and SCLA to promote LGBTQIA+ services and information
- Membership, Promotions & Mailing: Maintains the membership roll of NCLA, including its mailing list; promotes and recruits' members; handles bulk mailings for NCLA
- Mentoring: Organized to promote membership opportunities between veteran and new NCLA members
- Networking & Promotions: Organizes professional networking events for NCLA members and families
- Newsletter: Gathers material and created NCLA's Newsletter
- Personnel Issues & Professional Concerns: Provides programming and information of interest to members
- Pop Culture: Develops and conducts programs to inform the membership of topics in this area
- Recruitment & Scholarship: Conduct the annual scholarship and education grant awards program
- Retirees: Conduct programs for the retiree members of NCLA
- Statistics: Gather information for and publish "Salary Schedules and Personnel Benefits"
- Webpage: Develop and maintain NCLA's website
- Wild Apricot: Develops and maintains our membership portal