

NEW MEMBERS ROUND TABLE

A division of the Georgia Library Association

EVERYONE IN! YOUR 2020 CONFERENCE

Due to the health threat posed by COVID-19, the Georgia Libraries Conference with SELA committee made the difficult decision to shift the 2020 conference to a virtual format.

To ease this transition, GLA's NMRT and SELA's NMRT are teaming up to bring you **Everyone In! NMRT's Guide to the Georgia Libraries Conference with SELA**. The guide will include helpful tips and tricks to help guide you through the virtual conference experience. Features will include a social media dashboard, recommended itineraries for first-timers, networking suggestions, and more! Be on the lookout in mid-September for the guide!

HIGHLIGHTS

- **Hear from our first featured GLA Division: the Technical Services Interest Group!**
- **Learn about a new partnership between your GLA NMRT and SELA NMRT!**
- **Meet New and Familiar Faces- Kate and Rebecca!**
- **Discover ways to become more involved with the Atlanta Emerging Librarians!**

A REMINDER FROM NMRT

We're all working in new ways as libraries re-open across the country. Whether you're a seasoned librarian working from home, a part-time shelver wondering what's next, or a library student doing coursework online, your NMRT leaders want you to know that we're all in this together. We've always intended this group to be a community, and there's never been a greater need for such togetherness.

If you're struggling, or just need a friendly ear, please send us an email at nmrt.gla@gmail.com. We're happy to talk to you anytime!

FEATURED GLA DIVISION OR INTEREST GROUP

Technical Services Interest Group (TSIG)

Linh Uong, 2020 Chair

What is TSIG? The Technical Services Interest Group provides a venue for the latest news and current issues and trends in acquisitions, cataloging, classification, electronic resources management, library systems, serials and related fields.

Who are the officers and what are their duties? The Chair plans meetings and programs, and serves on the Interest Group Council. The Vice Chair/Chair-elect assists the chair and leads meetings in the chair's absence. The Secretary manages all correspondence and communications. The current officers are respectively, Linh Uong, Rachel Evans and Rebecca Hunnicutt (pictured).

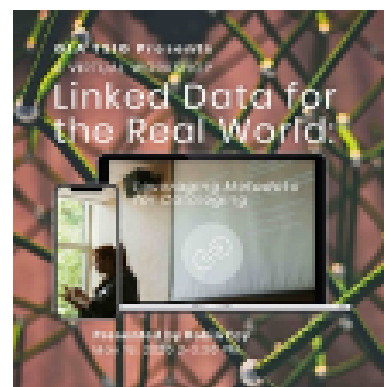
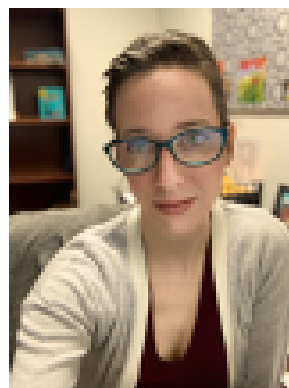
What's new this year? The TSIG Workshop Committee launched their virtual workshop series this May with "Linked Data for the Real World: Leveraging Metadata for Cataloging", followed by "Customizing the Connexion Client to Work for You." Look for more webinars in September!

What do members say about TSIG?

"The workshops TSIG has delivered this year virtually have been fantastic! 'Customizing the Connexion Client to Work for You' was full of real, practical information. THAT's the kind of stuff I crave and so seldom find. A HUGE thank-you!" - David Rutland, Collection Services Manager, UGA Law Library

"Serving as vice-chair of GLA's TSIG has helped me grow leaps and bounds professionally as a librarian. It has served as the perfect platform to network and collaborate, it has built up my confidence as an individual, and resulted in tangible items on my resume, including publishing and presenting experience."

-Rachel Evans, Metadata Services & Special Collections Librarian, UGA Law Library



LEARN SOMETHING

Reaching students beyond the classroom with an online information literacy course

ASERL

Link: bit.ly/3hV7r89

Big Data: Managing large-scale metadata projects in a teleworked environment

GLA

Link: bit.ly/2PvgmAU

Introduction to GALILEO Search for public library staff

Offered by GALILEO as a tutorial for their newly revamped searches.

Link: bit.ly/2BQqfFE

ARTICLES TO READ

“Without That Detail, I’m Not Coming”: The Perspectives of Students with Disabilities on Accessibility Information Provided on Academic Library Websites

C&RL

Link: bit.ly/3hOjDY8

Story Walk at the Thomas County Library

GLA: Libraries In The Spotlight

Link: bit.ly/3hWyu2M

RESOURCES

Project READY: Reimagining Equity & Access for Diverse Youth

The Project READY curriculum addresses this gap in existing professional development opportunities for youth services library staff. No matter where you are on your own personal and professional racial equity journey, this curriculum offers opportunities to deepen and extend your understanding.

Link: ready.web.unc.edu

MEET SOMEONE NEW

Kate Fisher

Washington Memorial Library

Kate Fisher is a graduate of New York University and Long Island University’s Dual Degree Program. Trained as a subject specialist in the Humanities, Kate holds masters degrees in Library Science and Information Studies as well as Costume Studies. She has not only taught information literacy classes at New York University but also created classes specifically for information literacy within archives. Her experience with archival textiles at New York University has led her to archival textile preservation and consulting at Macon, Georgia’s Johnston-Felton-Hay House Museum.

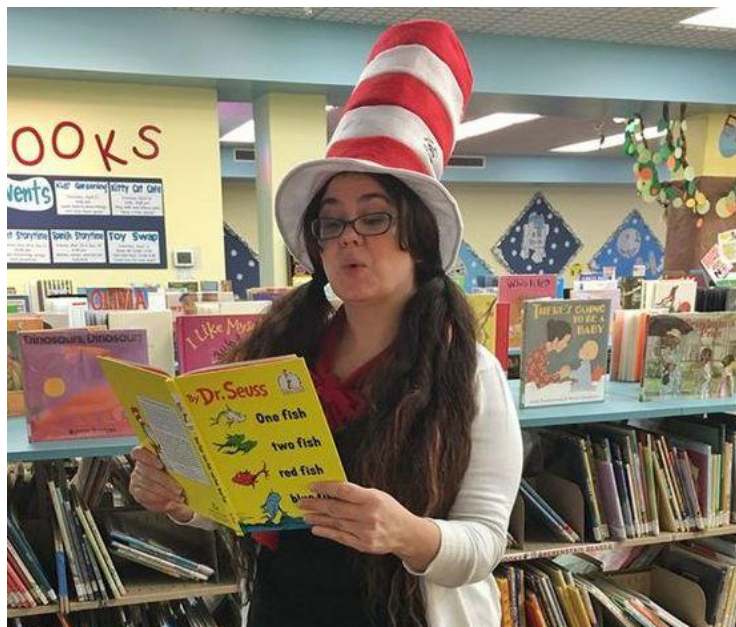
Currently a library assistant in Support Services at the Washington Memorial Library, Kate is interested in finding a position that reflects her educational background. She is the founder of the Middle Georgia Emerging Librarians, a group dedicated to connecting and promoting the diverse librarianship in Middle Georgia. The New Members Round Table has been an integral part of Kate’s networking and professional development after moving from New York City to Georgia over a year ago.



SOUTHEASTERN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION HITS 100 YEARS

"The celebration of a 100th Anniversary for any organization is an important milestone. On November 12, 1920, one hundred librarians from seven Southeastern states met in Signal Mountain, Tennessee at the first Southeastern Librarians' Conference. By 1922, nine states were involved, with doubled attendance at Signal Mountain. The Southeastern Library Association (SELA) formed to primarily discuss regional challenges to promote library development in the Southeast. Today, SELA successfully connects hundreds of annual members to promote librarianship in twelve states. The SELA Centennial Committee has planned a variety of activities to celebrate this important milestone in our organization. SELA members who virtually attend this year's Georgia Library Conference with SELA can attend a special program dedicated to honoring our past while preparing for our future. Following the joint conference, a centennial celebration is currently being planned on the day and at the location where SELA began, November 12th at Signal Mountain, Tennessee. For further information on SELA's 100th Anniversary, and the other programs and activities, please visit SELA's website or contact Dr. Gordon Baker."

-A message from Ben Carter, Assistant State Librarian



LEARN FROM EXPERIENCE

Rebecca Ballard
Oconee County Library

"I'm a Children's Librarian, and I began working in libraries part-time in 2005 with adult patrons, teaching computer skills and troubleshooting computer problems. I loved helping library patrons, and when a full-time position opened in Children's Services, I discovered my dream job in children's librarianship.

I first became involved with GLA at the 2012 COMO conference. I was thrilled to meet amazing librarians from all over Georgia, and I learned so much from both the conference and the attendees. My first GLA conference presentations were in 2015, and I was honored to receive the Hubbard Scholarship that year. I joined several interest groups such as NMRT, and I became involved in GLA committees. I was thrilled to receive a Paraprofessional Grant for the 2018 Georgia Libraries Conference, and I was invited to present the Youth Services Preconference that year as well.

I am currently on the conference programming and planning committees, and am PACE Vice-Chair/Chair-elect. The NMRT introduced me to amazing mentors and friends, and it continues to instill both a sense of camaraderie and fun among Georgia librarians. I'm excited to continue introducing library workers to the many opportunities GLA offers, and the NMRT is the best introduction!"

ATLANTA EMERGING LIBRARIANS' CALL FOR ADMINS

The AEL Planning Committee is looking for next year's (2021) admins! If you have questions or would like to nominate yourself or someone else, please submit the following to atlantaemerginglibrarians@gmail.com by **September 30th**:

- Name
- MLIS/MLS program and graduation date (if applicable)
- Are you willing to meet with other planning committee members in person or virtually throughout the year?
- Imagine you are a member of the 2021 AEL Planning Committee. Describe your first event, including details such as location, topic, type of event, and potential speaker(s).

WANT TO BE FEATURED IN A FUTURE NEWSLETTER?

Let us know!

Fill out this short form:

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