

NEW MEMBERS ROUND TABLE

Georgia Library Association

2020 NMRT DIVISION LEADERSHIP

Chair:

Autumn Johnson
Georgia Southern University

Vice-Chair/Chair Elect:

Sarah Rodgers
Oglethorpe University

Secretary

Kelly Williams
Gwinnett County Public
Library

NEW TO GLA?

Learn more about the Georgia Library Association, how to get involved, and how to get the most out of your GLA experience:

gla.georgialibraries.org/new-members/

HIGHLIGHTS

- Introduction of new leadership
- Upcoming opportunities for learning
- 2020 National Library Week Membership Drive

GREETINGS FROM THE CHAIR

Autumn Johnson

We're already a month into 2020 and your NMRT has already hit the ground running!

I want to first thank everyone that attended the NMRT meeting at this year's GLA Midwinter. We had a great turnout and gathered some fantastic ideas on new programs and professional resources you would like to see from us- a few are in this newsletter! Some key areas of focus this year will be to expand networking opportunities for new members, increase collaboration with the GLA membership committee, and encourage new members and early-career professionals to GLA and ALA leadership roles.

I hope you will join us this year and allow NMRT to help guide you through the Georgia Libraries Association and the greater professional community!

LEARN SOMETHING

"The Community-Centered Library"

Colorado Virtual Library.

Available as a recording.

Link: <http://bit.ly/2SL4v2V>

"Censorship Beyond Books: Library Resources & Services Under Fire"

Available as recordings.

Link: <http://bit.ly/31YvnRd>

DO SOMETHING

Attention New Librarians: Call for Papers for New Voices 2020

Sponsored by the University and College Library Section of the Southeastern Library Association (SELA). Submissions must be from a new professional librarian with no more than five years of experience; they must address an idea or perspective on a current library issue. Complete guidelines can be found at

<http://bit.ly/37AE8SQ>

ALA NMRT Communications Committee

The Committee is always looking for contributions for their blog! Student voices are welcomed.

Contact: Josh Rimmer

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Complete guidelines can be found at <http://bit.ly/3bHfSBu>

Library Day at the Capitol

March 4 @ 10am

Volunteers are needed to help deliver library materials. Register @ <https://bit.ly/36YZMjg>.

ALA EMERGING LEADER

Damiana Fortenberry, Gwinnett County Public Library

Congratulations to Damiana Fortenberry for being selected as a 2020 ALA Emerging leader! Damiana is a Library Associate at Gwinnett County Public Library. She has a passion for serving others and an ambition to improve libraries on a local and national scale. She is extraordinarily proud of the health programs she has offered at her library, ultimately making a positive difference in the lives of the community. By participating in the ALA Emerging Leader program, she hopes to learn what it means to be a leader and the skills needed to emulate that definition. As Damiana's sponsor for the program, NMRT and GLA will provide \$1000 to defray the cost of attending the ALA Midwinter Meeting and Annual Conference (\$500 for each conference).

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WHAT DOES NMRT DO ANYWAY?

- Recruit new members into the Georgia Library Association and help these members further their knowledge of the profession and the association.
- Provide new members of the profession with a common meeting ground for connecting with one another and to the Georgia library community as a whole.
- Facilitate professional growth through offering meetings, presentations and training, a wiki-based collaborative resource center, committee involvement, and many other opportunities.
- Assist the Georgia Library Association in promoting a greater feeling of involvement and responsibility for the development of library service and librarianship.
- Act as a sounding board for ideas of the New Members Round Table membership and identify potential leaders within the Georgia Library Association.



From Left to Right: Kelly Williams, Autumn Johnson, and Sarah Rodgers at GLA Midwinter in Macon, GA.

MEET THE NEW LEADERSHIP

Sarah Rodgers, Vice-Chair

Sarah is a library assistant at Oglethorpe University. She will finish up her Valdosta State's MLIS Program in Spring 2021. Her loves are libraries, reading, crafting, and falling in love with TV shows and then never finishing them.

Kelly Williams, Secretary

Kelly is a full-time library associate for Gwinnett County Public Library. She's finishing up her MLIS at Valdosta State, with an expected graduation of July 2020! She loves doing programs at her library, reading YA, and crocheting. She has three kids, two dogs, one husband, and an endless love for books!

Celebrate **NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK** APRIL 19–25, 2020

Celebrate by participating in the
Georgia Library Association's (GLA)
Membership Campaign by inviting
someone (or two) to join GLA and earn a
chance to win \$\$!

The online membership form will have a
space for the person you recruit to enter
your name. First place wins \$50, second
place \$30, and third place \$20! Visit
gla.georgialibraries.org/membership
today to learn more and sign up!

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