

WINTER 2021

THE NMRT ROUNDUP

The quarterly newsletter of the GLA's New Members Round Table.

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2020 PART 2: THE 2021-ING

A word from the NMRT Chair

It is both a pleasure and an honor to be Chair of NMRT during this (already interesting) year. Some of our major goals this year include collaborating with the Atlanta Emerging Librarians and the Middle Georgia Librarians to engage more often with you all, actively listing more resources and job postings in our (revamped!) newsletter, and taking part in initiatives that will especially benefit NMRT members. As usual, if you guys have any questions, comments, or concerns, we are here to help. Please feel free to reach out!

Sincerely,
Sarah

MEET YOUR 2021 OFFICERS!

Chair: Sarah Rodgers,
Oglethorpe University
Lover of pizza, VSU Class of 2021.

Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect: Gina Viarruel,
Gwinnett County Public Library
Drexel grad, has a sushi supplier

Secretary: Kelly Williams,
Gwinnett County Public Library
Mom of 3, YA fan, endless optimist



GET INVOLVED WITH GLA

GLA Awards Nominations

Each year the Georgia Library Association recognizes exemplary library service and advocacy in Georgia through a variety of awards for librarians, library staff, trustees and vendors/friends. Find out more and nominate someone here: <https://tinyurl.com/glaaaws>

SPOTLIGHT ON: OGLETHORPE UNIVERSITY'S PHILIP WELTNER LIBRARY

Located in historic Lowry Hall, the Philip Weltner Library serves as the academic heart of Oglethorpe University. Named in honor of educational reformer and past Oglethorpe president Philip Weltner, the library is small but mighty. In addition to a large circulating collection (both physical and electronic), the library houses a recently-renovated archives. In the last few years, most of the library ground-level has been updated and remodeled to house two digital media labs to support our new film and media studies program, a flexible classroom space open to the whole campus, and suite of offices to house the university communications offices.

If you're wondering if that is an exterior wall inside of the building in the second photo, it is! When the library was expanded and renovated about thirty years ago, they decided to keep the outer wall as the main focal point of the large reading room. A final fun fact about the library: there is (allegedly) an elephant named Palm buried behind the building. In 1941 when a circus was passing through Atlanta an elephant died (maybe poisoned by a rival circus!). A professor was able to bring the animal to Oglethorpe for his students to dissect in a comparative anatomy class. It is said that Palm haunts the library, and when it's quiet, you can hear her booming steps.



Oglethorpe University's Philip Weltner Library



RESOURCES

The Oregon Library Association has just released an EDI Toolkit!

Check it out at olaweb.org/

Black History Month Resource Round-up from The Programming Librarian:

<https://tinyurl.com/bhmroundup>

Advocate for GA Libraries

GLA Advocacy Committee has created a website to make it easier to take action.

<https://cqrcengage.com/alaga/home?0>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Adult Programming Palooza

Adult programming. Where do you find ideas? What are other Georgia libraries doing successfully? How do you make connections? Find out Tuesday, March 16th, at the fourth annual Adult Programming Palooza! Find out more and register here:

<https://tinyurl.com/appalooza>

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FEATURED RESOURCE: INALJ.COM

GEORGIA JOBS:

Resources Management Librarian

Kennesaw State University

Apply by April 1 at [this link](#)

Library Specialist, Information Services Desk

Emory University

Apply online at [this link](#)

Look out for news about a Spring NMRT event!



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