



## A Message from the President

Hello again, everyone, and welcome to spring! It has been a very busy couple of months for the Georgia Library Association (GLA), and I am so grateful to have such a great team to work with in this organization.



I have been learning some things “on the go,” and much planning has been happening on multiple fronts. I am extremely impressed by the many things going on within all of GLA’s divisions, committees, and interest groups. There truly is something for everyone in GLA, I am very excited that our Georgia Libraries Conference planning is well underway, and we are looking forward to amazing things in Athens in October!

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## Upcoming Events

### 2023 Georgia Libraries Conference

The Conference Planning Committee is eagerly looking forward to sending out the 2023 Call for Proposals on Monday, May 8. The CFP will be sent out to everyone on the GLA member listserv, posted on the GLA website, and shared through GLA's social media. The deadline for proposal submissions will be in mid-June.

Our theme this year is "We've Got Stories to Tell." This is your opportunity to both speak and listen to the diversity of perspectives and experiences that contribute to the vibrancy of our association and the libraries in which we work. Count yourself in to be inspired by sessions, motivated by educational opportunities, to collaborate and network, engage in information and idea sharing, and celebrate each other.

GLC will again offer both in-person and virtual options. The in-person conference will take place October 4-6, 2023, at the Classic Center in Athens, Georgia. The virtual option will take place the following week.

More information to come! If you have questions in the meantime, reach out to the 2023 Conference Committee Chair Ben Bryson at [glc@georgialibraryassociation.org](mailto:glc@georgialibraryassociation.org).

You can also view past conference archives, explore more by clicking "view archives"



[View Archives](#)

## GLA Scholarship Application

The GLA Scholarship Application is Still Open!

All materials are due by May 12, 2023 to the Scholarship Committee. To help applicants with this process, we hosted a final scholarship workshop on May 2nd. The recording of this can be accessed by clicking below.



[View the Recording Here](#)



## Website Spotlight

### Carterette Series Webinars

Did you know that GLA offers a series that highlights trends, innovation, and best practices in libraries like yours? You can tune in to these sessions live for CE credits, and you can always find the recorded sessions in the archives. Check our website for upcoming webinars.

[Webinar Information](#)

## Spam Email Warning

Be cautious of spam and phishing emails posing to be affiliates of GLA. The following bullet points are helpful when deciding what is spam or not:

- The message is sent from a public email domain
- The domain name is misspelled
- The email is poorly written
- It includes suspicious attachments or links
- The message creates a sense of urgency



## Member Happenings

### Online Survey:

#### Civic Engagement for Racial Justice in the American South

Please consider helping Dr. Bharat Mehra and Dr. Kimberly Black as they conduct an online survey about the role that public libraries play in supporting racial justice in your community.



The goal of this survey is to elicit public library community members' perspectives and opinions on the racial, ethnic and cultural climate in their community and the potential role of the public library in supporting racial justice through civic engagement. The online survey is open for participation from all members of your community who live in the American South (Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia). We will use the data collected from this research study to develop contextually relevant strategic information tools (e.g., roadmap, action plan, taxonomic framework of information responses) for civic engagement that public libraries can use to overcome problems related to racism in their communities.

[More Information](#)

[Link to Survey](#)



## Employment

Are you interested in possible opportunities to grow in your field? We share job posts on our website, you can access those with the link below

[GA Jobs](#)