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Upcoming NJSL Events

March 16th, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
[Stress Management 101](#)

March 18th, 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm
[Why Garden Off the Ground](#)

LCBA Round Two Grant Solicitation

Gov. Murphy has announced the launch of the second round of grant solicitations for the Library Construction Bond Act. [Read more...](#)

Grant Opportunity for NJ Public Libraries

NJSL is pleased to announce CARES Act mini-grants for public libraries. These grants are designed to assist in mitigating the effects of the pandemic for both libraries and their patrons. The primary goal of the grants is to improve access to technology for the public library's customers. [Read more...](#)

March 19th, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

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Continuing Education and Training Opportunities

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American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

The State Library will receive an allotment of \$3,935,345 from the Institute of Museum and Library Services' (IMLS) ARPA budget. We just received the news, and are starting to plan for spending. If you have thoughts, suggestions or ideas on how we can best benefit the state with this influx of resources, please email State Librarian Jen Nelson at jnelson@njstatelib.org.

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10th Annual TBBC Golf Classic

Come out and tee up for Talking Books and join us in supporting our FREE public library that helps thousands of New Jersey residents each year. [Read more...](#)

NJSL's TBBC Announces New Patron Online Meeting

This meeting will be a chance for patrons to talk to TBBC staff and learn more about our services. We'll talk about how to search for books, how to order and return books, and explain how books get sent out. Everyone is invited, even if they are not a brand-new library member. [Read more...](#)

National Library Outreach Day – April 7

National Library Outreach Day (formally National Bookmobile Day) celebrates library outreach and the dedicated library professionals who are meeting their patrons where they are. In 2021, National Library Outreach Day will be Wednesday, April 7.

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Super Library Supervisor Series Registration Now Open

Registration is now open for the next session of LibraryLinkNJ's popular Super

New Jersey State Library Talking Book & Braille Center

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Library Supervisor series! This is a wonderful opportunity for new supervisors to learn from the experts. The Spring 2021 Series will be held remotely via Zoom.

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Grants & Other Opportunitites

New Jersey Historical Commission Project Grant Guidelines for FY2022

The New Jersey Historical Commission has released its Project Grant Guidelines for FY2022. The goal of the grant program is to engage diverse audiences in the active exploration, enjoyment, interpretation, understanding, and preservation of New Jersey history. Project grants are available to both individuals and organizations. Applicants can request up to \$20,000 in support of their project. **Intent to apply forms are due March 31, 2021.**

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Institutional and Financial Stabilization Grants for History and Humanities Organizations

The New Jersey Cultural Trust has released guidelines for its FY2022 Institutional and Financial Stabilization Grants for History and Humanities Organizations. The grant program is designed to assist groups in addressing financial and operational challenges that threaten their stability and to help build greater operational capacity to manage and advance their work and achieve their missions. To be eligible, an organization must first be designated as "qualified" by the New Jersey Cultural Trust. **March 31, 2021 is the deadline** to be designated a Qualified Organization by the New Jersey Cultural Trust and the deadline for submission of declarations of intent to apply forms.

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Talk Story: Sharing Stories, Sharing Culture

Libraries and community organizations that serve Asian Pacific American and/or American Indian/Alaska Native children and their families are eligible to apply for an Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association/American Indian Library Association "Talk Story" grant. The Talk Story: Sharing Stories, Sharing Culture program celebrates and explores Asian Pacific American (APA) and American Indian/Alaska Native (AIAN) stories through books, oral

traditions, and art to provide an interactive, enriching experience. The "Talk Story" grant is aimed to give financial support to libraries and community organizations who want to introduce a Talk Story program, focusing on APA or AIAN cultures. **Deadline: April 1, 2021.**

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2021 AARP Community Challenge

The application period for the 2021 AARP Community Challenge is now open. The AARP Community Challenge provides small grants to fund "quick-action" projects that can help communities become more livable for people of all ages. Applications are being accepted for projects to improve public spaces, housing, transportation, civic engagement, coronavirus recovery, diversity and inclusion, and more. **Application deadline: April 14, 2021**

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EBSCO Solar Grants

EBSCO Solar is now accepting applications for grants that will fund solar installations at libraries around the world. The grants will help winning libraries to reduce their utilities expenses by installing solar arrays. All academic, school and public libraries that are current EBSCO customers are eligible to apply for the EBSCO Solar grant program. **Applications close May 3, 2021.**

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