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Applications are now being accepted for the inaugural NJSL UX Boot Camp!

The NJSL UX Boot Camp is designed to provide library staff with the knowledge, tools, and support to improve their websites. The principles and techniques learned in the boot camp will help them significantly reduce the cost (but not necessarily time!) of building a new website, redesigning an existing site, or improving an aspect of a current site.

Why? Because there are lots of amazing libraries with not-so-amazing websites.™

Applications due by April 3. Participants will be selected and notified by April 10.

[Learn more and register here...](#)

Library Journal names Stricker a "Mover & Shaker"

Of the fifty-four individuals selected by *Library Journal* as 2019 Movers & Shakers, one was from New Jersey: Michele Stricker, deputy state librarian for Lifelong Learning of the NJ State Library, in the "Community Builder" category.

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Apply for the 2019 Multicultural Program Award

The purpose of the Multicultural Program Award is to recognize and encourage library programs that

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increase understanding and promote multiculturalism in New Jersey's public libraries. The award provides a \$1,000 honorarium. Deadline is March 18.

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MentorNJ Workshop on New Technology and "Fake News"

Join MentorNJ for robust conversations with John V. Pavlik, Professor of Journalism and Media Studies at Rutgers University, and Lorie Harding, Director of Libraries for Episcopal Academy, on the impact of new technology and "fake news" on real news, the media and our society, and what it means to the library profession and libraries.

Event will take place Thursday, May 2, 1-3:40 p.m., at Monroe Township Public Library (Middlesex County). Registration is free, but required.

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NJCAR Annual Meeting

The NJ Cultural Alliance for Response (NJCAR) held its annual membership meeting on Feb. 21 at the Taylor Pavilion, Belmar. One of the topic presented was "Global Warming and Climate Change Effects on Disaster Preparedness" by Lisa Auermuller, assistant manager, Rutgers University Jacques Cousteau Coastal Education Center.

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ALA Great Stories Club - Truth, Racial Healing & Transformation

Congratulations to three NJ librarians who were granted the ALA/Kellogg Foundation "Great Stories Club" Grant, "Finding Your Voice." Kiersten Paine (Montclair Public Library), Amy Ojserkis (Atlantic County Institute of Technology High School, Mays Landing), and Tracy Robinson (Elizabeth Public Library) are working with Davet'a Saunders (Consultant, Everyday Democracy) to facilitate dialogue and racial healing circles. These three New Jersey libraries were awarded the ALA Great Stories Club Grant, "Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation," which partners with the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. Training was in Chicago, IL on March 7-8, 2019. [Check out a group photo here.](#)

[More about the Great Stories Club...](#)

LibraryLinkNJ Town Hall Rescheduled

The LLNJ Town Hall originally scheduled for Tuesday, March 12, was rescheduled to take place on Tuesday, March 26. More information to follow.

Sustainable Thinking for the Future of Libraries Workshop

The workshop will explore the importance of infusing the core value of sustainability into everything you do, and demonstrate how libraries can lead into the future using "sustainable thinking." Cost is \$25.

Held on four dates:

- April 24 at Parsippany Troy Hills Library;
- April 25 at Hasbrouck Heights Library;
- May 14 at Somerset County Library System, Manville Branch;
- May 15 at Monmouth County Library Headquarters.

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Folk Arts Apprenticeships Grant

Grants from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts to support Folk Arts Apprenticeships are now available. **Deadline is April 4.**

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Funding Available for Health Information Outreach and Programming Projects

The National Network of Libraries of Medicine, Middle Atlantic Region invites applications for education and outreach projects that improve access to biomedical and health information and increase the ability of the public and health professionals to use these resources. **Deadline is April 5.**

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As always, we look forward to your feedback. Please don't hesitate to forward any questions or concerns to the NJSL Communications & Marketing Team.

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