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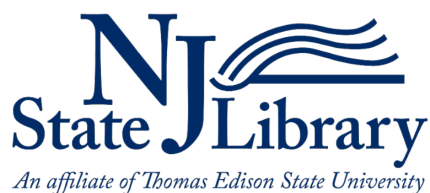
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Attend the Technical Assistance Webinar about the Library Construction Bond Act

The New Jersey State Library, in partnership with the New Jersey Educational Facilities Authority, will host a technical assistance webinar about the Library Construction Bond Act on Jan. 22, 2020 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. The webinar will provide library officials and other interested parties, such as architects, library design consultants, and elected officials, with technical assistance on the completion of grant applications. Presentations will be made by the New Jersey State Librarian and other state representatives involved in the administration of the Bond Act. To RSVP, please email RSVP@njefa.nj.gov by 4:00 p.m. on Jan. 21, 2020. Note: If you have already registered, you do not need to do so again. Information regarding the webinar will be emailed to all registrants prior to the event. Learn more about the bond act [here](#).

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Attend Census Training - Dates Updated

The State Library is continuing our census training for library staff. Regional census trainers will show staff how to use the new online census form and explain how best to provide assistance to patrons. Training will be held in libraries in the following towns:

Jan. 21: Blackwood* from 10:00 a.m. to noon

Jan. 22: Jersey City from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Jan. 23: Whippany from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Jan. 28: Westampton from 10:00 a.m. to noon

Jan. 29: Manalapan from 10:00 a.m. to noon

Jan. 30: Tom's River from 10:00 a.m. to noon

Feb. 4: May's Landing from 10:00 a.m. to noon

Feb. 5: Scotch Plains from 10:00 a.m. to noon

Feb. 6: Wayne from 10:00 a.m. to noon

Feb. 11: Newton from 10:00 a.m. to noon

Feb. 12: Bridgeton from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Feb. 13: Cape May Courthouse from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

* This location was changed from Vorhees to Blackwood

To register, email Kathleen Peiffer
at kmoellerpeiffer@njstatelib.org.

7th Annual Multicultural Program Award Application Open

The State Library is accepting applications for the 7th Annual Multicultural Program Award. The award is given to libraries that have conducted an exemplary program or program series that foster the understanding of multiculturalism through sustainable community partnerships. The winning libraries will receive a \$1,000 honorarium, a certificate, and statewide promotion as a model program. They will be honored during the 2020 NJLA Conference at Harrah's in Atlantic City. The [application](#) deadline is March 6, 2020. The winning libraries will be notified by March 27, 2020.

Best Practices in Early Literacy Awards Application Open

The State Library is accepting applications for the annual Best Practices in Early Literacy Award. The award honors up to four outstanding public libraries that currently provide exemplary literacy programs for children from birth to six years, their families and caregivers. The award provides a \$1,000 honorarium, a certificate, and promotion of the winning library as a model program for other libraries. The winning libraries will be honored

during the State Librarian's Breakfast at the 2020 NJLA Conference at Harrah's in Atlantic City. The application deadline is March 6, 2020. Please review the [guidelines](#) and complete and submit the [application](#). If you have questions, contact Sharon Rawlins, Youth Services Specialist, at srawlins@njstatelib.org or 609-278-2640 ext. 116.

Announcements

Community Library Adult Literacy and Career Pathway Grant Recipients Announced

The New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development announced the 14 recipients of \$1,128,273 in grant funding through the Community Library Adult Literacy and Career Pathway program, which aims to expand adult literacy services in the Garden State. Grants were awarded to the following recipients:

- Atlantic City Free Library: \$94,600
- Elizabeth Public Library: \$103,378
- Englewood Public Library: \$49,138
- Gloucester County Library System: \$101,200
- Jersey City Public Library: \$110,000
- Kearny Public Library: \$55,000
- Maplewood Memorial Library: \$81,636
- Millville Public Library: \$55,000
- New Brunswick Free Public Library: \$109,836
- Newark Public Library: \$94,923
- Plainfield Public Library: \$80,410
- Somerset County Library System: \$58,411
- South Brunswick Public Library: \$54,135
- Union Public Library: \$80,606

Grant Opportunities and More

Attend United for Libraries Events

As part of the 2020 American Library Association Midwinter Meeting, United for Libraries will host a free United for Libraries Institute for Trustees, Friends, and Foundations on Jan. 25, 2020 from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. The free event, which will be held at the Free Library of Philadelphia, will feature sessions on fundraising, attracting Millennial advocates, library advocacy, and [more](#). The keynote speaker will be bestselling author, Gretchen Rubin. Learn more about the free event [here](#) and register [here](#). You can also find more United for Library events [here](#).

Bookapalooza Application Open

The Association for Library Service to Children is accepting applications for its Bookapalooza program, an opportunity for three libraries to receive an assortment of newly published books, videos, audiobooks, and recordings from children's trade publishers. The [application](#) deadline is Feb. 1, 2019.

Library of the Future Award Application Open

The 2020 application process for the Library of the Future Award is open. This \$1,200 award honors an individual library, library consortium, a group of librarians, or support organization for innovative planning for, applications of, or development of patron training programs about information technology in a library setting. The [application](#) deadline is Feb. 1, 2020.

Inclusive Internship Initiative Application Open

The Public Library Association's Inclusive Internship Initiative offers paid, summer-long internships to high school students at their local public library. PLA will fund library internships this summer for 50 high school juniors and seniors from diverse populations. Participating host libraries must assign a staff person to serve as a lead mentor, recruit and hire an intern, and be able to accept a \$3,500 stipend, among other requirements. The [application](#) to host an intern over summer 2020 is now open and will close on Feb. 3, 2020.

Will Eisner Graphic Novel Grant Application Open

Applications are open for the 2020 Will Eisner Graphic Novel Grants for Libraries. Three grants will be awarded: two recipients will receive the Will Eisner Graphic Novel Growth Grant, which provides support to libraries that would like to expand their existing graphic novel services and programs, and one recipient will receive the Will Eisner Graphic Novel Innovation Grant, which provides support to a library for the initiation of a graphic novel service or program. Each winning library will receive a grant award of \$4,000 to support initiatives that align with the objective of the Will Eisner Graphic Novel Grants for Libraries. [Applications](#) are due February 9, 2020.

Innovations in Reading Application Open

Applications for the National Book Foundation's Innovations in Reading Prize are now open. The prize awards \$10,000 to an individual or organization that has developed an innovative project that creates and sustains a lifelong love of reading in the community they serve. In addition, the Foundation recognizes up to four projects to receive the designation of honorable mention. [Applications](#) are due Feb. 13, 2020.

Mini Grants for Digital Skills Programs Application Open

The American Library Association is accepting applications for mini-grants for digital skills programs. School, tribal, public, and academic libraries are eligible for \$700 mini-grants to design and implement programs using Google's Applied Digital Skills resources. Up to 290 eligible libraries will be selected to deliver at least 4 sessions throughout the programming they develop (e.g., drop in, multiple sessions, a spring break camp, or weekend workshop) that prepares learners of all ages to use technology tools. The [application](#) is due Feb. 14, 2020.

Reference and User Services Association Award Application Open

Nominations are open for the Reference and User Services Association Award for Excellence in Reference and Adult Library Services. RUSA presents a citation and \$1,500 award to a library or library system for developing an imaginative and unique resource to meet patrons' reference needs. The [application](#) is due Feb. 15, 2020.

Incubation Grant Application Open

From February 1, 2020 to February 15, 2020, applicants may submit Intent to Apply forms to the New Jersey Council for the Humanities as the first step in applying for an Incubation Grant or an Action Grant. Incubation Grants support humanities projects that are in development. Action Grants support the implementation of new projects or expand existing programs. Project funding can range from \$2,000 to \$20,000 for either Incubation or Action Grants. Learn more [here](#).

Dollar General Literacy Foundation Application Open

The application process is open for grant funding from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation. [Applications](#) for their Adult Literacy, Family Literacy, and Summer Reading grant opportunities are due on Feb. 20, 2020.

Game On! Grant Application Open

The American Library Association Games and Gaming Round Table has unveiled a new annual grant program to enable libraries to develop gaming programs or collections for their communities. Through the new Game On! grants, \$500 will be awarded, either as one grant of \$500 or two grants of \$250. ALA members currently employed at a public, school, academic, or special library in the US or Canada are eligible to apply. Libraries must illustrate a plan for a sustainable gaming program created with the funds as well as financial need and institutional support for the program. The online application is open now through March 1. Learn more [here](#).

As always, we look forward to your feedback. Please don't hesitate to forward any questions or concerns to the team in NJSL's Office of Communications, Marketing & Outreach.

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