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Weekly News Updates for New Jersey Libraries
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Updates & Opportunities

Digital Literacy Forum Event Recap

On Thursday, May 11th, the annual Digital Literacy Forum took place at Monroe Township Library. Organized by NJSL Library Development Bureau staff members, this year's event theme was "Literacy Before Digital Literacy." New Jersey library staff who were interested in learning more about assisting their patrons with varying literacy levels attended to hear from a panel of experts and participate in a keynote workshop. [Click here for the recap.](#)

Employment Opportunities at NJ State Library

The New Jersey State Library is hiring for several positions, including a Law Library Branch Manager and a Project Specialist – Capital Projects Fund. Both offer a great opportunity to learn, grow and contribute. The position postings can be found via the links below.

- [Law Library Branch Manager](#)
- [Project Specialist – Capital Projects Fund](#)

NJSL Sessions at 2023 NJLA Conference

NJ State Library staff are looking forward to connecting with you during the NJLA conference May 31st to June 2nd. In addition to stopping by our booth, check out these presentations from our Talking Book and Braille Center:

- *Discover ALSC's Notable (Outstanding! Distinguished! Just Plain Great!) Children's Books* with Elizabeth Burns, MLS, Head of Reader Services, **Friday, June 2, 2023 – 2:10pm to 3:00pm**
- *Fabulous Fun Facts about the NJ State Library Talking Book & Braille Center* with Stephen Felle, Outreach Librarian; Elizabeth Burns, Head of Reader Services; Jen Apgar, Youth Services Librarian; Liz Kelly, Adult Services Librarian, **Friday, June 2, 2023 – 3:30pm to 4:20pm**

[Click here](#) to see the full schedule of other NJSL-sponsored programs.

ACP Connects NJ

The New Jersey State Library, in partnership with the New Jersey Department of Health, received an Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) grant for \$400,000 from the Federal Communications Commission to support households struggling to afford internet service. Join us and become a library host for ACP in-person enrollment events to help your community members start saving on their Internet bill! [Click to learn more](#).

NJ State Library Invites You to Tee Up for Talking Books!

The 12th Annual Talking Book and Braille Center Golf Classic will take place on **June 13th** at the Cherry Valley Country Club in Skillman, NJ. Proceeds benefit the NJ State Library Talking Book & Braille Center, New Jersey's only FREE public library for the reading and print disabled. [Click here](#) for registration, sponsorship opportunities, and more information.

Professional Development Opportunities

Check out the upcoming LYRASIS CE opportunities on their [calendar here](#).

[Click here for a monthly national list](#) of NJSL and National CE and Professional Development opportunities for librarians, trustees, and library staffs.

Library Marketing Resources

If your library is looking for marketing tips, best practices and inspiration, check out our [Marketing Blog](#) updated monthly. Here's our most recent blog posts:

- [How To Be A Better Blogger](#)
- [Inspiration for Library Reels](#)
- [A Resource Guide to Social Media in 2023](#)
- [Social Media Trends for 2023](#)

Download marketing resources from State Library Vendors & Partners [here](#).

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