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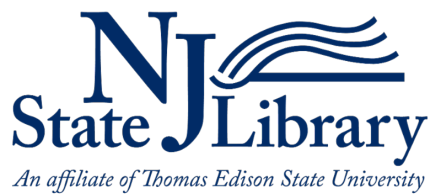
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NJSL News and Events

New Jersey State Library's 2019 Year-End Wrap Up Report Is Here!

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,

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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](#).

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. 16: Monroe Township from 10:00 a.m. to noon
Jan. 21: Voorhees 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.

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

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 a Workforce Development Workshop on Literacy

The New Jersey State Employment and Training Commission is working with the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development and the John J. Heldrich Center for Workforce Development at Rutgers University on the 2020 NJ State Combined Workforce Plan. The plan is a requirement of the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, which provides workforce development resources to New Jersey and the nation. As part of the plan development process we have scheduled a series of group discussions regarding important topics related to workforce development. Join us and attend a session focused on Literacy. Literacy - WIOA Title II provides resources for learners to participate in opportunities including adult literacy courses, English language learning programs and other related services. The session is scheduled for Jan. 17, 2020 from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. in the boardroom at the John J. Heldrich Center in New Brunswick, NJ. Please RSVP [here](#). As New Jersey works toward a Stronger and Fairer Economy, the SETC is soliciting your insight to inform our workforce development planning. Learn more about the Governor's Economic Plan [here](#). Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the SETC at 609-633-0605.

Libraries Transforming Communities: Travel Stipends for Small and Rural Libraries Grant Application Open

Library workers serving small and/or rural communities in the continental U.S. and territories are eligible to apply for the Libraries Transforming Communities: Travel Stipends for Small and Rural Libraries grant opportunity. The grant is one element of the Libraries Transforming Communities: Facilitation Skills for Small and Rural Libraries program, a new

learning series from the American Library Association designed to help library workers develop facilitation skills to engage with their communities. Travel stipends awarded through the grant opportunity will enable up to 25 library workers to attend the program's in-person training at the 2020 ALA Annual Conference in Chicago. [Applications](#) are due Jan. 20, 2020.

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.

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](#).

Miss Rumphius Award Application Open

The New Jersey Center for the Book seeks nominations for its 2020 Miss Rumphius Award. Based on the title character of Barbara Cooney's book, Miss Rumphius, winner of the National Book Award in 1983, this award honors public librarians, school media specialists, and educators who are exemplary in spreading ideas about literacy. The deadline for submitting nominations is Feb. 17, 2020. Please submit your nomination to Carol Phillips at carolphillipslibrarian@gmail.com. If you have any questions, contact Carol or visit the [NJCFB](#) website.

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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