

# ACRL programs at the 2015 ALA Annual Conference

## A brief overview

### ACRL Board of Directors

- **Board of Directors Meeting I:** Saturday, June 27, 1:30–5:30 p.m.
- **Board of Directors Meeting II:** Monday, June 29, 1:30–4:30 p.m.

During Board I, there will be an open microphone period from 4:00–4:30 p.m. Note that this period cannot be used to request that the Board take an immediate action. All guests planning to address the Board during the open microphone session are asked to arrive by 4:00 p.m.

### Sessions highlights

*Saturday, June 27*

**ACRL/SPARC Forum**, 3:00–4:30 p.m.

*Sunday, June 28*

**Update on Value of Academic Libraries Initiative**, 1:00–2:30 p.m.

**Update on ACRL Information Literacy Initiative**, 10:30–11:30 a.m.

### ACRL special events at ALA Annual Conference

*Friday, June 26*

**ANSS/LES/LPSS.** Alcatraz Island Tour, pre-registration required, 11:30 a.m. Purchase your ticket at [www.alcatrazcruises.com/](http://www.alcatrazcruises.com/). Contact: Erin Gratz, [egratz@laverne.edu](mailto:egratz@laverne.edu)

**College Libraries Section.** Friday Night Feast, pre-registration required, 5:30–7:30 p.m. Contact: Ann Watson, [awatson@library.ohio.gov](mailto:awatson@library.ohio.gov), and Tony White, [awhite03@mica.edu](mailto:awhite03@mica.edu)

**Library Marketing and Outreach Interest Group.** Social, no registration required, 6:30 p.m. Contact: Virginia Alexander, [alexanva@uscupstate.edu](mailto:alexanva@uscupstate.edu)

## Annual Conference information online

Find complete details on ACRL programs in San Francisco on the ACRL at Annual Conference web page. Go to [www.acrl.org](http://www.acrl.org), select “Conferences & Continuing Education,” and click on “ACRL 2015 Annual Conference Programs” for the latest details.

Locations for programs and a complete listing of ACRL meetings, along with discussion

group and interest group information, will be available in the Annual Conference Scheduler. Fully registered attendees can create a personalized agenda and search for meetings, programs, and event times and locations.

The Annual Conference Scheduler will be available on the conference website at [ala15.ala.org](http://ala15.ala.org).

## ACRL President's Program/Preconferences

### **ACRL President's Program Saturday, 10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.** *The Power of Mindset: Fostering Grit on the Way to New Roles*

The education landscape is evolving rapidly, but the stress of being pulled in different directions can be challenging. New research shows that our approach to challenges can make all the difference. How can library staff at all levels develop a growth mindset to approach the demands of new roles? Hear from Thomas Hoerr, noted author of *Fostering Grit*, and OCLC research scientist Constance Malpas to understand the emerging higher education landscape and to learn to embrace its challenges, celebrate mistakes, persist in the midst of setbacks, and focus on continuous learning to re-invent ourselves and our libraries.



Thomas Hoerr

### **Preconferences**

*Note:* Pre-registration is required for all preconferences. Visit [www.acrl.org](http://www.acrl.org) (click on “Conferences & Continuing Education” for details).

**Friday, June 26, 2015.** *Reflective Teaching: Self-evaluation to assess and improve your teaching practice.* Instruction Section Preconference @ ALA Annual Conference. Discover techniques and strategies for more structured and intentional reflection. Learn how to identify, articulate, and diagnose teaching and learning “problems” you encounter in the classroom, analyze your role as a teacher in that situation, and learn about techniques of reflective practice to address those learning problems and improve student learning.

### **Friday, June 26, 2015.** *Data Visualization: Tools, Techniques, and Practice.* ACRL Preconference @ ALA Annual Conference.

Due to the proliferation of digital data and the emergence of big data, visualization is of crucial importance in academic research and institutions. This preconference will introduce the fundamentals of data visualization, including discussion of

visual variables—the building blocks of any visualization. Attendees will participate in a sketching exercise to explore visual variables and create a foundation for the creation of library-specific visualizations in the afternoon.

### **Friday, June 26, 2015.** *Storytelling 101: Craft Narratives to Engage and Persuade.* ACRL Preconference @ ALA Annual Conference.

When was the last time someone changed your mind with a

story? We empathize with, persuade, and teach each other using the social tool that is storytelling. Whether you're a high-powered library administrator headed into an important conference call or a part-time instruction librarian at the head of an unfamiliar classroom, humans crave connection, and a compelling story can be the difference between connecting deeply with your campus colleagues and patrons or experiencing a total disconnect.

**Friday, June 26, 2015.** *Writing Data Management Plans Across the Curriculum.* ACRL Preconference @ ALA Annual Conference. Demand for data management plans (DMPs) is growing as more granting agencies add this requirement. Join

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an experienced DMP consultant from a major research university to learn how to apply your existing skills to writing strong DMPs for the sciences, social sciences, and humanities. Most presentations concern-

ing data management are more concerned with the creation and management of repositories than how to write, or consult with researchers writing a DMP for grant submission.

**Community & Junior College Libraries Section.** Awards and Dinner Meeting, pre-registration is required, 7:00 p.m. Contact: David Wright, wrightd@surry.edu, and Sarah North, sarahnorth@cwidaho.cc

**Anthropology and Sociology Section.** Social, pre-registration required, 7:30 p.m. Contact: Anne Larrivee, larrivee@binghamton.edu, and Wade Kotter, wkotter@weber.edu

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**Instruction Section.** Soiree, pre-registration encouraged, 5:30–7:00 p.m. Link to registration form will be shared on ILI-L. Contact: Corliss Lee, cleel@library.berkeley.edu, and Peggy Tahir, peggy.tahir@gmail.com

**University Libraries Section.** Social, no registration required, 5:30–7:00 p.m. Contact:

Leslie Sult, lsult@email.arizona.edu

**Western European Studies Section.** Dinner Cruise, pre-registration is required, 6:15 p.m. Contact: Katie Gibson, gibsonke@muohio.edu

**Women and Gender Studies Section.** Social, no registration required, 6:30–7:30 p.m. Contact: Emily Asch, ejasch@stkate.edu

*Sunday, June 28*

**Distance Learning Section.** Award Luncheon, pre-registration required, 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m. Contact: Jennifer Hill, jennifer.hill@jhu.edu

**Science and Technology Section.** Dinner, pre-registration is required, 6:00–9:00 p.m. Contact: Moriana Garcia, garciam@denison.edu *ZZ*



Visit the Placement Center at the  
ALA Annual Conference in San Francisco!

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Activities include:

- An open house—employers will be available to talk to conference attendees about their institutions.
- Free one-on-one career counseling for job seekers.
- Free résumé critiquing service provided by ALA NMRT.
- A professional headshot photo service.
- Free workshops and panel sessions on library job search and LIS career options.

Find schedule details and more information online at [joblist.ala.org](http://joblist.ala.org).

*Conference registration is NOT required for job seekers to go to the Placement Center, to use placement services, or to attend any workshop that is held in the Placement Center.*

For more information, contact the ALA JobLIST Placement Center Manager, Beatrice Calvin at [bcalvin@ala.org](mailto:bcalvin@ala.org) or (800) 545-2433, ext. 4280.



## ACRL Discussion Groups

**Assessment:** Saturday, June 27, 3:00–4:00 p.m. *Topic:* The ACRL Assessment Discussion Group provides an informal forum for sharing ideas and best practices in library assessment, as well as an opportunity for professional networking.

**Balancing Baby and Book:** Sunday, June 28, 4:30–5:30 p.m. *Topic:* The Balancing Baby and Book Discussion Group is a fun and informal group that includes all types of librarians—moms, dads, new parents, potential parents, and anyone else interested in how parenting and librarianship can be successfully intertwined. HR issues, daycare, tenure, and a variety of other topics can be discussed. Everyone is welcome!

**Continuing Education/Professional Development:** Saturday, June 27, 3:00–4:00 p.m. *Topic:* Discussion of hot topics in professional development.

**Copyright:** Saturday, June 27, 10:30–11:30 a.m. *Topic:* Legislative, judicial, and regulatory developments related to copyright and libraries in higher education.

**Heads of Public Services:** Saturday, June 27, 4:30–5:30 p.m. *Topic:* Discussion of topics related to management of academic library frontline services and operations. Bring your burning issues!

**International Perspectives on Academic and Research Libraries:** Friday, June 26, 8:30–10:00 a.m. *Topic:* The International Perspectives on Academic and Research Libraries Discussion Group will discuss and promote projects and issues of interest and import to academic and research libraries from an international perspective.

**Library and Information Science Collections:** Sunday, June 28, 8:30–10:00 a.m. *Topic:* How do you serve distance learning students in Library and Information Science programs when they need physical materials? Online students are part of the educational culture now. What are your practices?

**Library Support for Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs):** Saturday, June 27, 3:00–4:00 p.m. *Topic:* The “realities” of libraries and MOOCs—time, tech, effort, and outcomes—from the perspective of all types of libraries, whether they are homegrown or offered through a big MOOC provider.

**MLA International Bibliography in Academic Libraries:** Saturday, June 27, 10:30–11:30 a.m. *Topic:* The Modern Language Association International Bibliography.

**New Members:** Saturday, June 27, 10:30–11:30 a.m. *Topic:* Oops I did it again? What to do when you make a mistake at work, in library-land, or online.

**Personnel Administrators and Staff Development:** Saturday, June 27, 10:30–11:30 a.m. and Sunday, June 28, 10:30–11:30 a.m. *Topic:* A discussion of topical issues, emerging trends, and best practices by personnel and staff development officers.

**Philosophical, Religious, and Theological Studies:** Sunday, June 28, 4:30–5:30 p.m. *Topic:* The Philosophical, Religious, and Theological Studies Discussion Group will focus on collecting material on non-Western religions.

**Popular Cultures:** Sunday, June 28, 8:30–10:00 a.m. *Topic:* In honor of our host city (home to the headquarters of the StarFleet Academy), we'll discuss Leonard Nimoy and *Star Trek* fandom, along with other popular culture topics of interest to librarians of all types. We'll also discuss the future of the Popular Cultures Discussion Group.

**Scholarly Communication:** Sunday, June 28, 3:00–4:00 p.m. *Topic:* The Scholarly Communication Discussion Group will focus on federal agencies' changing scholarly communication policies, and possible opportunities for academic libraries.

**Student Retention:** Saturday, June 27, 1:00–2:30 p.m. *Topic:* Learn about measuring student retention while sharing ideas and inspiration with peers! Join the discussion group for a 30-minute conversation-starter panel, followed by birds-of-a-feather discussions led by panelists.

**Undergraduate Librarians:** Monday, June 29, 8:30–10:00 a.m. *Topic:* An opportunity to share ideas, approaches, success stories, and lessons learned about serving undergraduate populations. Bring your topics and discussion questions, as well as any handouts or other materials you would like to share.