

Free March Webinars for Library Staff

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Spring into learning with these free webinar opportunities on topics relevant to the great work your library is bringing to your community! This list of 90 webinars and one online conference covering 20 topic areas, was collected by the Wyoming State Library. It's updated monthly on the [Free Training](#) page, where you can also view the offerings by topic.

For additional training, check out the [WebJunction Catalog](#), free and open to library staff and volunteers everywhere.

March 1

[The Best Team Wins: The 5 Disciplines of High Performance Teams \(American Management Association\)](#)

In most companies, up to eighty percent of employees are working in teams. And yet, most teams **are nowhere near as effective as they could be. They're** often divided by tensions, if not outright **dissension, and dysfunctional teams drain employees' energy, enthusiasm and creativity.** Learn proven tactics managers can use to build cohesive, productive teams, despite the distractions and challenges every business is facing.

[Study Skills 1: Research and Note-taking Skills \(Center on Technology and Disability\)](#)

This event is the first of a 3-part series focusing on assistive technology for study skills. Researching and taking notes is an important activity central to the academic lives of many teens and adults. This webinar for parents begins with a discussion of the purpose of note-taking and useful strategies to employ. Tools include a range of technology supports for taking notes while listening to information and instruction, taking notes while reading, and organizing the information. Demonstrations will include a smart pen, audio recording apps, research tools, and mind mapping.

[The OER Landscape: An Introduction \(Montana State University Library\)](#)

An overview of Open Educational Resources (OERs), the broader Open Access context that supports them, and some of the issues that are driving their adoption and creation, such as efforts to reduce costs for students and supporting student success. The many benefits as well as challenges to their use and creation will be discussed. You will see specific examples of successful OER implementations and approaches on academic campuses around the nation. We will look at a few OER repositories and links to other OER resources. Plus, there will be plenty of time available for Q&A at the end.

[What are Simple Development Systems and How Can They Help You? \(Bloomerang\)](#)

Are you dizzily reeling from golf outings to 5K runs to galas to a holiday concert to...Casino Night? Does your fundraising consist of Amazon Smile, local restaurant nights and a “dear friend” year-end fundraising letter? Are you constantly engaged in “spray and pray” fundraising, looking to see what sticks? Join us for Simple Development Systems where you’ll discover a road-map to creating sustainable fundraising revenue throughout the year.

[6 Reasons Why Infographics Matter \(IdealWare\)](#)

People love infographics—but should your nonprofit love them enough to create them? Join us as we discuss the role infographics play in a healthy communications mix.

Who owns culture? An introduction to copyright for undergraduate students (ALA District Dispatch)

We are excited to offer our next CopyTalk webinar about teaching undergraduates about copyright. Sounds like a tall order, but these undergraduates actually choose to take a semester-length copyright course as an elective. Tammy Ravas will discuss her multidisciplinary approach to teaching copyright, outline the topics taught in the course, give examples of lesson plans, show general progress of students enrolled in the class, and share what worked and what did not.

March 2

[Feminist Reads, a Penguin Reading list for readers grades K-12! \(Booklist\)](#)

The future is female and whether it's events like #ShePersisted or the Women's March, by all accounts the future is now. Join Booklist editor Maggie Reagan and Penguin Young Readers for this free, hour-long discussion of books for young readers featuring strong, inspiring women, both new and old.

[NEH Preservation Assistance Grants \(Lyrasis\)](#)

This free session provides an overview of the National Endowment for the Humanities Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions. The instructors will talk about the application process, provide tips for crafting a narrative, and answer any questions you have about applying for the grant.

March 5

[Surveys & Questionnaires: a brief course for librarians \(Montana State Library\)](#)

Measuring Up - A brief review of the three ways to identify central tendency. An introduction to recruiting techniques so that you get the participant data you want. A discussion about ethical behaviors for how you interact with your participants so that your thirst for data is not overly intrusive nor harmful to your subjects. We'll conclude with a conversation about the value to the field and to promoting trust in your institution by sharing your findings and analysis.

March 6

[Advocacy Resources to Serve Immigrants and Refugees \(IRRT\)](#)

Join us and learn about advocacy resources library workers can use to help them advocate for library services for immigrants and refugees. Our speakers will share information and examples useful to advocate at federal, national, regional, state, and city level. Library and information workers are providing programs and services that build community while enriching and saving lives of immigrants and refugees. At the American Library Associations' International Relations Round Table, we want to be part of these efforts.

[Develop a Winning Nonprofit Culture with Minimal Resources \(Firespring\)](#)

Is your nonprofit's culture determined by design or default? Join lifelong entrepreneur Jay Wilkinson, founder of Firespring, to discover how to create an award-winning nonprofit culture with minimal resources. By taking simple, actionable steps toward improving the culture within your nonprofit, your organization can grow by leaps and bounds internally and externally.

[Financial Literacy: Facts vs. Fiction \(Washington State Library\)](#)

The Federal Trade Commission protects consumers from unfair and deceptive business practices by filing lawsuits against scammers and distributing educational materials about how to avoid being scammed. Financial literacy is a key component in helping consumers recognize and prevent problems. FTC staff will discuss how to spot and avoid financial scams and how consumers and consumer advocates can access the FTC's free financial literacy materials. Topics covered will include using financial planning resources, obtaining credit and credit repair services, laws regulating debt relief and debt collection, and scams preying on vulnerable consumers. Many of the free resources are also available in Spanish.

[Training Needs and the Role of Measurement \(Training Industry\)](#)

This interactive webinar will provide easy-to-understand insights on: Common sources to identify **“triggers” of training needs in the** modern learning system; How to drive organizational strategy with data; and Best practices and common issues with measuring the inputs and outputs of training.

[Spring YA Announcements, 2018 \(Booklist\)](#)

Get a sneak peek of forthcoming YA titles in this free, hour-long webinar, featuring representatives from Disney Book Group, Macmillan, Greenhaven Publishing, North Star Editions, and Tor/Forge.

[Partnerships with Correctional Libraries \(Colorado State Library\)](#)

The incarcerated in Colorado's youth and adult correctional facilities are some of the most appreciative library patrons anywhere. 97% of them will be released someday, and many struggle with basic information needs. The key to helping the incarcerated successfully reenter society is library outreach. Join us to learn about forming partnerships with correctional libraries and to discuss how you can support your future patrons today.

[USGS Library Materials for Earth's Age \(Federal Depository Library Program\)](#)

This webinar will focus on how to find and use the USGS Library's materials related to geological time (rock age) and terrain (rock type), USGS field and laboratory methods for determining time and terrain, as well as education tools available from the USGS and other geoscience stakeholders.

[Measures that Matter \(Chief Officers of State Library Agencies\)](#)

This webinar is your opportunity to learn about and comment on the draft Action Plan for the Measures that Matter initiative. Measures that Matter was launched in early 2017 to address short and long-term challenges to public library data collection and use.

[A Fresh Look at Test-Prep Tools \(edWeb\)](#)

When you hear “test prep,” you might think drill and kill and lots of repetition, but it doesn’t have to be that way. Using engaging tools that include media and gamification, test prep can be fun and engaging for students. In this edWebinar, Nancy will share a host of ideas and present some of her favorite tools, including Do Ink, FlipGrid, Chatterkids, and others.

[Going for Gold: Insider’s Scoop on the Newbery Medal \(Britannica Digital Library\)](#)

In honor of 2018’s Newbery Medal winner, Hello, Universe, BDL is here to give you the insider’s scoop on how a book earns that honor and how you can bring the Newbery process to life with your students.

[QuickBooks Desktop for Existing Users \(TechSoup\)](#)

Are you already using Intuit’s QuickBooks and want a basic refresher to make sure you’ve got your nonprofit set up correctly? Join this free, 90-minute webinar with QuickBooks Made Easy founder Gregg Bossen to expand your existing knowledge.

March 7

[NCompass Live: Pioneers in Violence Prevention: Libraries & Rape Crisis Centers \(Nebraska Library Commission\)](#)

Libraries and library staff are already models in their communities, particularly of the creation of safe and stable environments open to all community members; this session invites participants to explore how they can specifically contribute to the prevention of bullying, dating and sexual violence. By sharing examples of a partnership between a local library, high school, and rape crisis program in her own community in Kentucky, the facilitator will engage participants in discussions and activities designed to give them ideas and feasible action steps for working in their own communities to empower teens and adults to reduce violence.

[How to Incorporate Physical Activity and Movement into Health Services in Public Libraries \(Let's Move in Libraries\)](#)

This webinar will show how to incorporate physical activity and movement into health services in public libraries. This webinar is the fourth in a quarterly series of free webinars offered as part of the "Let's Move in Libraries" initiative. The project's website is LetsMoveLibraries.org.

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[3 Ways the New Tax Reform Act Impacts the Nonprofit Community \(Network for Good\)](#)

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) ushered changes in the US Tax Code, effective January 1, 2018. Since the signing of the TCJA there have been questions about how nonprofit organizations might be impacted by the changes. Join us for a fireside chat with Network For Good Fundraising Coach and Founder of Fundraising Strategies, John Gilchrist, FAHP, CFRE, as he discusses the implications this new tax reform act will have on the nonprofit community and our donors.

[The Role of Public Libraries in Healthy Communities \(Indiana State Library\)](#)

A recent Pew study found that health is the number two most searched for information online. Public libraries are on the front lines of health information needs of their communities. Public libraries are often the only access to computers and/or broadband in their communities and are a trusted institution. This session will provide attendees with ideas for getting started with health outreach and programming in their communities (including funding suggestions!). We will look at no-cost resources for evidence-based health information in multiple languages. Attendees will leave with at least one new thing that can do immediately to improve their health services in their communities.

[Library of Congress BIBFRAME Pilot: Phase Two \(Association for Library Collections and Technical Services\)](#)

Library of Congress BIBFRAME Pilot Phase Two will focus on continuing BIBFRAME initiatives taking place at the Library of Congress. These will be put into perspective with other BIBFRAME, Linked Data, and Semantic Web initiatives taking place in the broader information community. Speakers, from the Library of Congress, will give an overview of continuing BIBFRAME work among the participants in BIBFRAME Pilot Phase 2.

[Improving the Health, Safety and Well-being of LGBT Populations: Part 1 \(National Network of Libraries of Medicine\)](#)

LGBT individuals face many barriers in accessing healthcare, including discrimination, lack of access, misunderstanding, and fear. As a consequence, many LGBT individuals do not regularly access appropriate and timely care. The more informed healthcare professionals are, LGBT patients

and clients will become more comfortable in an environment that is often alienating, disrespectful, and traumatic.

[Introduction to Proposal Writing \(GrantSpace\)](#)

Are you new to proposal writing or want a quick refresher? If so, you don't want to miss one of our most popular classes! This class will provide you with an overview of how to write a standard project **proposal to a foundation. It will include: The basic elements of a proposal; The “do’s” and “don’ts” of writing and submitting a proposal; How to follow up whether the answer is yes or no.**

[Facilitating Constructive Contributions: Dealing with Difficult Behaviors: Helping People Share from a Better Place \(Infopeople\)](#)

Basic facilitation skills involve keeping a group on topic and on time. But what happens when a participant needs special attention? This webinar will identify common types of disruptive behavior and share multiple methods for facilitators to keep the conversation constructive.

[AASL Standards and Advocacy Go Together Like Peanut Butter and Jelly \(American Association of School Librarians\)](#)

Presenters Megan Cusick and Judy Deichman will highlight the National School Library Standards as a platform for strategic advocacy in your learning communities. This webinar will provide concrete steps and actions to advocate for your learners and school library utilizing resources from ALA's Office for Library Advocacy, the AASL Standards Portal, and the National School Library Standards publication.

March 8

[The 5 Donor Love Languages \(Bloomerang\)](#)

Tammy Zonker will teach you about the five donor love languages and how to speak the love language your donor prefers; radically improving your donor retention rates. Participants will learn how to create your annual donor love plan and engage executive leadership and board members in sharing the love.

[Visual Storytelling: The Complete Infographic Toolkit for Nonprofits \(IdealWare\)](#)

Infographics with attractive images and compelling data can reach a big audience. They give your data the power to rally support, inspire action, and drive impact. Over four Thursdays starting March 8, Idealware will help you see what kinds of data are best translated into infographics and find the stories hidden in the **numbers. We'll also walk you through the practical steps of creating and using your infographic and look at examples of how other organizations created successful infographics. And best of all, we'll help you develop your own infographic that you can begin using right away.**

[PubMed for Librarians - Introduction to PubMed \(National Network of Libraries of Medicine\)](#)

PubMed for Librarians: Introduction to PubMed® is a synchronous, online session that includes hands-on exercises. Attend this class to learn about the difference between PubMed and MEDLINE, how to run a basic PubMed search, assess your search results, analyze search details, customize PubMed with My NCBI, search for a known citation; plus, brief introductions to MeSH, automatic term mapping, search tags and subheadings.

[Teen Growth & Development \(YALSA\)](#)

Learn the typical benchmarks for growth and development and uses this knowledge to plan, provide and evaluate library resources, programs, and services that meet the multiple needs of teens.

[Digital Forms: Improving Efficiency in the Field \(GovLoop\)](#)

More than a third of government employees are in the field, yet many frontline government workers still use paper-based processes for the intake of information. So what can be done? The answer lies in **optimizing an agency's mobile capabilities to utilize digital forms and better technology**.

[Current and Emerging Technology for Individuals with Autism \(edWeb\)](#)

Research indicates that due to a heightened interest in visual materials combined with strong visual processing capabilities, many individuals with autism are highly attracted to technology and benefit from its use. Please join Christian Karter, MA, Educational Technology Specialist at Monarch Center for Autism, for this edWebinar and learn about both current and emerging technologies that hold great promise for individuals on the autism spectrum.

[Handling Negative Feedback Online: Strategies for your Library \(Infopeople\)](#)

In this webinar we'll examine the most common kinds of negative commentary and the best methods for handling each. We'll also learn what differentiates an online troll from other kinds of negative users and what to do if you encounter one. Get ready to be a whole lot more prepared the next time one of those undesirable comments appears!

[Library 2.018: Design Thinking: How Librarians Are Incorporating It Into Their Practice \(Library 2.0/SJSU\)](#)

Design thinking is a process designers use to thoughtfully identify problems and then, using a team-based approach, develop prototypes useful for implementing an elegant solution. In response to the growing interest in design thinking, this event will provide attendees with both insights into the **process and examples of how librarians are integrating it into their practice**. If you've been hearing about design thinking and want to learn more about how you can develop and lead a design challenge at your library, this is your opportunity.

[QuickBooks Online for New Nonprofit Users \(TechSoup\)](#)

Are you brand new to using Intuit's QuickBooks Online or need a basic refresher to make sure you've got your nonprofit or church set up correctly? Join us for this free, 90-minute webinar that will focus on a host of beginner topics.

March 9

[Relevant, Relatable Reference Services in Your Library \(Booklist\)](#)

Presenters John Gottfried and Katherine Pennavaria, co-authors of *Providing Reference Services: A Practical Guide for Librarians*, share field-tested tips for providing useful reference services, organizing staff efficiently, getting the word out effectively, and preparing for the kinds of demands reference services will likely face in the future.

[Making Difficult Conversations Easy \(Effectiveness Institute\)](#)

Do you shy away from conflict? In organizations across the world conflict is avoided. Expectations go unmet, values are violated, and overall underperformance exists because people do not know how to effectively resolve issues without resorting to the use of power. This one-hour session **introduces you to concepts that enable you to begin to “integrate conflict”** - to walk into it and effectively handle it - rather than avoid it.

March 12

[Mental Health Awareness and the Library Profession \(American Libraries Live\)](#)

In this **60-minute free webinar**, you'll learn strategies that you can implement to promote mental health awareness amongst your staff and colleagues. The expert panel will discuss how to help overcome the stigma associated with mental illness, share practical solutions that can help us improve our mental health, and share the best resources available on the topic.

March 13

[NEH Preservation Assistance Grants \(Lyrisis\)](#)

This free session provides an overview of the National Endowment for the Humanities Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions. The instructors will talk about the application process, provide tips for crafting a narrative, and answer any questions you have about applying for the grant.

[Current in Comics: Upcoming Graphic Novels for Your Library \(Booklist\)](#)

Need to beef up your graphic novels collection? Tune into this free, hour-long webinar and get the scoop on new releases for this high-circulating section. Representatives from First Second Books, a division of Macmillan Youth publishing, DC Comics, Lion Forge, Diamond, Viz Media, and Udon will present selections from their catalogs, which will include both some adult titles as well as youth and YA titles.

[Increase Library Hours & Access with open+ \(Library Journal\)](#)

Discover how open+ by bibliotheca allows libraries to attract new users with expanded open hours, increase the use of their community space and focus on delivering the most impact with staff

resources and time. The open library model has been successfully implemented in over 500 libraries of all types and sizes in Europe since 2004 and is making its way to libraries in North America. Learn more about the flexibility of this approach and how open+ delivers a different level of service for **today's self-service** library user.

March 14

[Reduce the Anxiety: A Roadmap to Planning a Stress-Free Library Staff Development Day \(Georgia Public Library Service\)](#)

This webinar will cover planning and organizing a library's staff development day. Participants will learn some of the best approaches to developing a day of learning that's unique to their library systems, including choosing activities, finding speakers, and securing a venue. The presenter, Dorcas Davis, Director of Continuing Education & Training at GPLS, will also share a printable checklist that can be used to help plan the perfect day from start to finish.

[Sustaining your Organization's Future: Mentoring and Succession Planning in Libraries \(National Network of Libraries of Medicine\)](#)

Julie Leuzinger and Jennifer Rowe will discuss results of a recent survey of librarians on the prevalence of succession and mentoring plans in academic, public, school, and special libraries and share conclusions, best practices, and takeaways for giving your organization a boost with increased mentoring and succession planning.

[NCompass Live: Tops and Flops of Library Programs \(Nebraska Library Commission\)](#)

A top ten (and bottom ten) listing of adult programs put on at the Laurens County Library, in Laurens, South Carolina. A humorous look at what has worked well for us and what failed. There will be commentary on each, such as origins of the idea, what worked well, what went wrong, intangible factors, etc. Included will be some honorable mentions of programs that went well, that I did not do.

[Access and Transparency: Records held at the National Archives \(U.S. National Archives\)](#)

Learn how we can help you request and access the restricted and non-restricted Federal records held at the National Archives – many without a Freedom of Information Act request. A panel of staff experts will discuss and answer questions about their work in making records available from the Executive, Legislative, and Presidential records held at the National Archives.

[Growing Your Library's Role: Creating a Community Garden with Impact \(Programming Librarian\)](#)

Inclusive, diverse and supportive of community participation, community gardens are a great way to bring together patrons and expand the library's role beyond its walls. Pottsboro (Texas) Area Public Library learned how powerful community gardens can be when the library used a single grant to

transform an acre of vacant city land into a vibrant garden plot that residents could use, free of charge.

[Improving the Health, Safety and Well-being of LGBT Populations Part 2 \(National Network of Libraries of Medicine\)](#)

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[Extending the Book Experience: Strategies That Promote Language and Literacy Development in Dual Language Learners \(Early Childhood Investigations\)](#)

Join Vera Meyerholtz as she explores simple and effective tips designed to differentiate instruction, engage dual language learners in critical thinking, strengthen the use of newly learned words and promote literacy development during an interactive book experience.

[Visualizing Funding for Libraries: You've Gathered the Data, Now What? \(WebJunction\)](#)

In 2017, the Visualizing (and Finding!) Funding for Libraries webinar introduced you to a dynamic and freely available data-visualization tool that enables library professionals and supporters to search for institutional funding for libraries at national, state and local levels. This webinar will re-familiarize you with the tool and then explore how to take the next steps with your data visualizations. Presenters will connect key data findings from the tool to national trends in philanthropic support for libraries. Using the tool to leverage networks and relationships, learn how to generate a viable list of potential funders to research further in order to determine the right fit for your **library. You'll also learn the action steps to take after identifying a funding prospect that will get your proposal to the top of the pile.**

March 15

[Outdoor Learning at the Library: It's Only Natural \(Indiana State Library\)](#)

Want to create an additional avenue for early childhood learning at a currently unused outdoor space? Join Kokomo-Howard County Public Library as we go through the process creating one, from the idea state to ground-breaking and from the ribbon-cutting to programming.

[Showcase your institution's research \(and library capabilities!\) \(Library Connect\)](#)

Join our librarian presenters to learn how they are using a variety of tactics and tools to showcase their institution's research. Discover how they work with stakeholders from researchers to the research office to raise the visibility of scholarly outputs, and the library's profile at the same time.

[Economic Programs Webinar Series: Healthcare \(U.S. Census Bureau\)](#)

Learn about the different types of healthcare data at the Census Bureau and how this information can be valuable to you. Understand practical ways to use our data through real life experiences, learn about available resources, and how to compare and contrast the different types of available data.

How to Create Safe and Active Learning Environments (Demco)

In this webinar, you'll hear from seasoned Learning Environment Designer Marci Milius on the differences between traditional learning spaces and active learning environments. This includes examining modern literacies and instructional models and how they impact your space design and your collection. We'll also cover student safety and what you need to think about when choosing furniture for your library.

[Get a Grip on Grants: From Searching to Spending \(Library Journal\)](#)

With a little insight based on real-life experiences from #TheLibraryLife, our panel of experts clarifies the grant preparation and application process, sharing some best practices that are sure to help you win the materials funding you need.

[Bitcoin for Good: Digital Currencies and Blockchain for Nonprofits \(GrantSpace\)](#)

This session will explore the basics of cryptocurrencies and their underlying blockchain technology, all in the context of nonprofits and the social sector. We will examine the trends and opportunities in relevant areas including nonprofit fundraising, impact measurement, and organizational management. From the practical to the far out, the program will go beyond the bitcoin hype and provide you with what you need to know about leveraging cryptocurrencies and blockchain for your nonprofit work.

[QuickBooks Online for Existing Users \(TechSoup\)](#)

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March 19

[Active Shooters and Armed Assailants: Responses and Realistic Tools \(Texas State Library and Archives Commission\)](#)

Cases of workplace violence involving armed perpetrators in libraries are both rare and catastrophic. Not all subjects have used guns in these attacks; edged weapons are a concern as well. Recent events have heightened the awareness of the need for library employees to follow the national DHS protocol: Run - Hide - Fight. Since all employees are in charge of their own sense of security, they

need to know what to do, what not to do, and how to protect themselves and other patrons or students during these life-changing events.

March 20

[Developing Escape Rooms at Libraries \(National Network of Libraries of Medicine\)](#)

This session will feature guest speakers Alison Wessel and Olivia Glotfelty, who will discuss the development of escape rooms at libraries in Delaware and Pennsylvania. Alison Wessel will describe an escape room developed at the Delaware Department of Health and Social Services Library to promote library services to health department employees. Olivia Glotfelty will discuss an escape room developed as part of the nurse residency program for newly hired graduate level nurses working at University of Pittsburgh Medical Center- Mercy. Both speakers will describe their experiences planning and implementing these escape rooms and how they proved beneficial to their audiences and libraries.

[Make Your Smartphone A Depository Library \(Federal Depository Library Program\)](#)

In this webinar, you will learn about a variety of Government apps, including Science.gov, PubMed mobile, CDC MMWR Express, and FEMA among others. We will explore the USA.gov mobile apps directory and also take a look at some apps which are not produced by the Federal Government but present Federal Government information.

[Your State Association Supporting AASL Standards for Your Local Context \(American Association of School Librarians\)](#)

How are AASL's Affiliate state organizations supporting school librarians as they implement the National School Library Standards? This rich document requires school librarians to reflect on local conditions, practice, and student learning. While it requires a great deal of self-reflection and a growth mindset, no one has to do this alone. What are state affiliates already doing or planning to do **to help their state's school librarians make a difference for learners using the new AASL Standards?** **Presenters will feature several affiliates' plans and on-going activities.**

March 21

[Block Play: Building a Foundation of Early Learning in the Library \(Indiana State Library\)](#)

Talk! Sing! Read! Write! Play, especially with blocks! Play is an integral component of the development of young children, which is increasingly reflected in libraries through their design and programming. During this webinar you will learn why block play is so powerful, how staff at Allen County Public Library tackled the challenge of adding more play--specifically block play--to their program offerings, and how to adapt their initiative for libraries big and small.

[NCompass Live: Reading Diversely \(Nebraska Library Commission\)](#)

NLA Diversity Committee members will booktalk diverse titles and share resources for finding more reading to diversify your shelves. Attendees will be encouraged to share titles of diverse literature they have read to create a list for everyone to use.

[Food for Thought: Exploring Nutrition Information Resources \(National Network of Libraries of Medicine\)](#)

This class is designed to assist librarians, public health workers, health professionals, and the general public in locating authoritative information on nutrition and topics relating to nutrition. Background information on the importance of nutrition information to other health-related topics will be included, and resources for locating nutrition-related statistics and evidence-based practice will also be identified.

[LGBTQAI+ Books to Share, Conversations to Have \(Association for Library Services to Children\)](#)

More LGBTQAI+ books are published each year. How should you select, display, share, and use in your library for children of all ages? Titles and suggestions will lead into online conversations. Bring your questions, ideas, and concerns and together we will attempt to resolve them.

[Play Therapy Techniques in Early Childhood Settings: Supporting Social-emotional Learning & Self-regulation \(Early Childhood Investigations\)](#)

Research has established the negative impact of early adversity on a child's social and emotional development. Adults who work in early childhood settings are in a unique position to help children overcome early challenges by supporting their acquisition of essential emotional skills and self-regulation capacities through consistent, predictable, nurturing, and positive interactions. In this webinar, by Play Therapist Christian Bellissimo, MSW, LCSW, RPT, LLC, you will learn how to **support children's development** through their most natural means for expression: play.

[Makerspace Successes, Makerspace Challenges \(edWeb\)](#)

In this edWebinar, Michelle Luhtala, Library Department Chair at New Canaan High School, CT, will explore school library makerspaces from floor plans, furnishings, and equipment to the role of play in a data-driven education landscape. Please join us to discover how to integrate making into your learning community.

March 22

[Making Leadership Happen, at Scale: Combining Collaborative Approaches to Leadership with Emerging Digital Learning Tools \(Training Magazine Network\)](#)

Today's interconnected, fast-changing and unstable world demands a new kind of leadership. Instead of putting the entire weight of leadership on individual managers and their capabilities, we need to examine how the whole system is involved in making leadership happen. Along with a

system approach to making leadership happen, we need approaches to leadership development that also focus on the collective, not the individual, and that happen at scale.

[Study Skills 2: Multi-Sensory Learning and Review \(Center on Technology and Disability\)](#)

This CTD event is the second of a 3-part series focusing on study skills. Students are often not aware of the most effective ways to review information and deepen their learning. Strategies presented for review and learning will include a look at mnemonics, as well as tools that utilize our various senses. Learning can be enhanced with tools that engage us with information in a multisensory manner, a combination of 2 or more senses such as visual, auditory, vestibular (movement), or tactile (kinesthetic). The presentation will also cover resources for research, homework help, and supplementary learning through online courses.

[4 Secrets to Supercharge Your Major Gift Program in 20 Minutes a Day or Less \(Bloomerang\)](#)

This session is for busy executive directors and development professionals who want to raise **significantly more money by making the leap into major gift fundraising but haven't had the courage** or know-how to get started, or are ready to seriously grow fundraising results. If you want to start or grow your major gifts program, this session is for you. Whether a major gift for your organization is \$1,000 or \$10,000 or more, you will learn how ask and receive more major gifts this year.

[The Newest Graphic Novels: What's Hot for Spring \(School Library Journal\)](#)

Join moderator Alea Perez along with a panel of insiders who will share some of the hottest graphic novels hitting **the shelves this season. You'll hear all about upcoming releases from Andrews McMeel Publishing, Diamond Book Distributors, Lion Forge and Oni Press.**

[Why Fundraising is the F Word to Your Board Members and How to Fix It with Rachel Muir \(Firespring\)](#)

Few things are more critical to your nonprofits health, success and sustainability than an effective board of directors. Recruiting, building, managing and engaging a leadership team made up solely of volunteers is one of the most ambitious, delicate and daunting responsibilities a CEO or Executive Director will have. If you are ready to transform your D list to an A list come learn tips and tools to get board members willing to engage and share their contacts, gifts and time.

[Creating a Comprehensive and Engaging Volunteer Training Program \(VolunteerMatch\)](#)

This webinar will start with the basics and help you understand how to determine what information **you should be sharing with your volunteers, and how that can be used to create a curriculum.** We'll then discuss how to present this information in a variety of ways using different delivery methods that appeal to adult learners. Assessing what your volunteers have learned, and creating ongoing training and professional development training for your volunteers will also be covered.

[How to Get Agency Support for Professional Development \(GovLoop\)](#)

Now that the President has signed the two-year budget deal, agencies are able to start thinking about their training and development programs for their employees. So how do you make sure you get a cut of the training budget? Join GovLoop and NextGen on Thursday, March 22nd at 2pm ET/11am PT, where we will discuss how employees can get the training dollars they want and need in this tough budgetary climate.

[The Cabinet of Death: Tales of Conservation & Storage from the Mütter Abditory \(Connecting to Collections Care\)](#)

Using the example of the Mutter Museum, this webinar will cover important information for anyone who oversees a collection that contains human remains, natural history collections, medical models or casts, instrumentation, or chemicals/pharmaceuticals. This webinar will look at the how the Museum has upgraded the storage and preservation of its important and particular collections to meet 21st century standards.

[Robots: Our New Helpers or Our New Overlords? \(Texas State Library and Archives Commission\)](#)

While there's nothing new about automation systems in libraries, recent developments in robotics (including autonomous vehicles, drones, and AI chatbots) are turning the whole notion on its head. How are these trends impacting our society now, and how might they begin affecting libraries? This webinar takes a fun and thought-provoking look at the potential and pitfalls of robots and other automation in delivering public services.

[Not-Just-Books-Mobile \(North Dakota State Library\)](#)

Learn different ways to engage bookmobile patrons through **programming**. **Don't let fear of limited** space or lack of staff stop you from providing a well-rounded and unique library experience. Whether your stops are jam-packed or slow-and-steady, we have a variety of adaptable programs to help you **expand your patrons'** library experience past the traditional bookmobile services at both your regular stops and special events.

[In Depth With the New AASL Standards, Part III \(Wyoming State Library\)](#)

Join Jennisen Lucas, Wyoming School Librarian and AASL Affiliate as she takes us on an in-depth tour of the new AASL standards. This month's installation will be the Shared Foundation "Collaborate" on Thursday, March 2s, 2018 at 3:30 pm. Come for the information, stay to ask questions!

March 26

[Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Philanthropy: Building the Data Infrastructure with GuideStar \(GuideStar\)](#)

Data can help bring clarity and understanding to where we are, as individual organizations and as a sector, track our progress, and inform our practices moving forward. Find out more about how (and why) foundations collect demographic data from their grantees, challenges/opportunities that lie ahead in both the collection and use of this data, and how this dataset can inform nonprofit funding decisions.

[Securing Grant Funding for Your STEAM and Coding Programs \(edWeb\)](#)

In this edWebinar, Dr. Azadeh Jamalian, Head of Education Strategy at littleBits, will discuss best practices on applying for STEM and coding grants. She will provide: A review of different types of grants educators can apply for; Key factors in writing strong applications; Steps involved in applying and receiving the grants; A list of grants that are currently accepting applications with a profile of the previous recipients for these grants.

March 27

[Events in a Digital Age: How to Maximize Offline Events in an Online World \(Firespring\)](#)

Events like galas, walks and auctions are critical to the fundraising (and friend-raising) strategies for most nonprofits. Want your next one to be a hit? Give it digital legs. With the vast number of online tools available, you can streamline everything from event registration to email marketing to social media, ensuring you capture your audience right where they are: online.

[What's hiding in your library? How to tell which print monographs to preserve and which to remove \(OCLC\)](#)

A one-hour webinar about how planning for a print deselection project can benefit your library.

March 28

[How to Conduct a Community Needs Assessment \(CNA\) \(Indiana State Library\)](#)

This webinar will show you the state and Federal resources used by the Northwest Indiana Center for Data & Analysis to provide accurate and timely data for our CNA projects. Resources to be previewed will include but are not limited to: American Community Survey, American Factfinder, STATS Indiana, Hoosiers by the Numbers, and Stats America.

[NCompass Live: Providing Access to the Good Life for the Disabled \(Nebraska Library Commission\)](#)

Do you know the ADA standard for where you should place your books on the bookshelf? Do you know what kind of animals can legally be classified as a service animal? Do you know which policies you may want to look at to grant greater access to your services? You will if you attend this overview

of how to best provide access to the disabled patrons in your community. The presenter is a long-time advocate for the disabled and was recently appointed as the State of Nebraska ADA Coordinator.

[Abuse? Not Our Kids! Protecting Children from Abuse by Empowering Early Educators \(Early Childhood Investigations\)](#)

Those who work with children in daycare and preschool settings are uniquely positioned to make a big difference in the lives of the children and families they serve. Sadly, they can also often be some of the first to suspect or witness signs of child abuse and neglect. By introducing their students to personal safety rules and skills in clear and age-appropriate ways, they can help young children learn to recognize and report unsafe and abusive situations and touches.

[Robotics, Maker Spaces, and Mixed Reality, Oh, My! \(School Library Journal\)](#)

A fast-paced, practical share of the hottest tech trends in the classroom and library, and how to implement them. Panelists will tip you on creative ideas in DIY electronics, student-created augmented reality, maker activities, and more.

[Integrating Digital Literacy into Core Subject Areas \(edWeb\)](#)

In many school districts today, digital literacy skills are not being systematically taught, and differing levels of focus on them has resulted in differing levels of ability. Just as we address varying levels of **reading proficiency, it's important that we ensure consistent digital skills development across all** of the core subject areas. In this edWebinar, Jeff Meyer, Director of Education from [Learning.com](#), will provide insight on the 12 essentials of digital literacy.

March 29

[Telling the Story of Volunteer Impact \(VolunteerMatch\)](#)

This webinar will help you move past number of volunteers and number of hours and start telling the real story. You'll learn about information gathering and the key components to good storytelling, how to evaluate your current measurements and how to build support for a more thorough measurement and evaluation program, and how to engage other staff – paid and volunteer – in this work. You'll also receive a worksheet to help you begin to tell the story of volunteer impact in your organization.

[Census Data: Accessing Geographies within Geographies \(Federal Depository Library Program\)](#)

In this webinar participants will learn how to access geographies such as places within a county, census tracts within a town, and block groups within a census tract. Participants will also learn the differences between the geographies.

[Intergenerational Programs at the Library: Connecting Generations for Healthy Communities \(WebJunction\)](#)

Walk into almost any public library and you'll see people of all ages engaging in the community space. When libraries offer programs and services that intentionally spark connection between generations, they contribute to more vibrant and cohesive communities. Learn how your library can develop inviting opportunities to encourage more intergenerational connections on a day-to-day basis. This webinar will discuss why intergenerational relationships are important and will help you **develop skills to foster intergenerational communication in your library. We'll explore ideas and resources that will turn your library into a community intergenerational catalyst.**

[Teaching Privacy in Libraries: strategies and tools \(Infopeople\)](#)

Join presenter Alison Macrina, director of the Library Freedom Project, as she discusses practical strategies that can bring privacy back to our library communities at a time when these rights are most at risk. She will demonstrate tools and best practices that can be taught in any library environment, in one-on-one patron interactions or computer classes.