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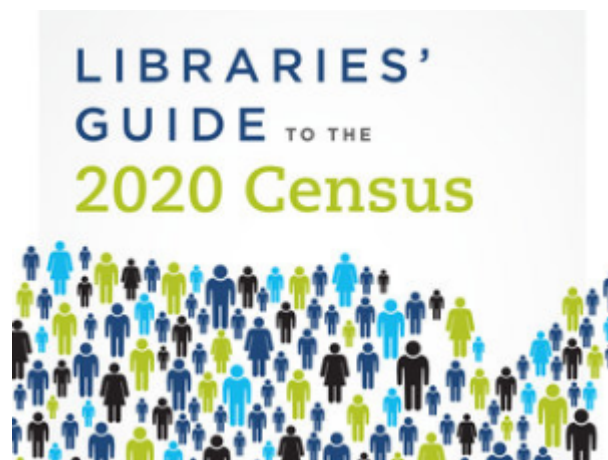


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Happy June and Annual for those attending! This month, we bring you resources on the 2020 census, a new video in our EDI video series, opportunities to get involved in future conferences, and more.

If you'd like to stay in touch with the Office for Diversity, Literacy and Outreach Services (ODLOS), please consider [subscribing to our monthly newsletter](#).

ALA Releases New Libraries' Guide to the 2020 Census

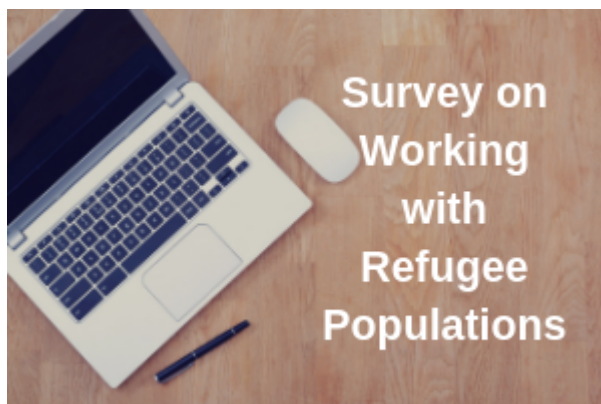


The American Library Association released the Libraries' Guide to the 2020 Census, a new resource to prepare libraries for the decennial count of every person living in the United States.

“Next year, when people begin to receive mail asking them to complete the census, we know that many of them will have questions about it. ALA's new Guide is to make sure library workers have answers,” said ALA President Loida Garcia-Febo. “Working to ensure a fair, accurate, and inclusive census aligns with our professional values and the needs of the diverse communities we serve.”

Learn more in the [press release](#).

Survey on Working with Refugee Populations



The Mortenson Center for International Library Programs at the University of Illinois invites all librarians and library staff working in public libraries to take a short 10-minute anonymous survey to share professional experiences with refugees and to ask any questions about better understanding and serving refugees in the community. Library workers can [select this link](#) to fill out the survey or copy and paste the following address in their preferred web browser:

<https://surveys.illinois.edu/sec/9090906>.

Please complete the survey by Wednesday, July 17 and feel free to share this with colleagues as well!

This survey is an effort to better understand how public libraries and refugee resettlement agencies (International Rescue Committee, World Relief, etc.) view and collaborate with each other in order to serve refugees and asylum seekers. The Center will use survey results in its next steps to develop and share resources about serving refugees as a continuation of its recently IMLS-funded project, Project Welcome: Libraries and Community Anchors Planning for Resettlement and Integration of Refugees and Asylum Seekers. Learn more about the project and previous activities on the [Center's website](#).

If you have any questions/comments about the survey and/or project, please contact [Clara M. Chu](#), Director of the Mortenson Center.



Libraries Invited to Apply for Great Stories Club Grants on Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation

An expansion of ALA's longstanding Great Stories Club program model, the Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation (TRHT) series features books that explore questions of race, equity, identity, history, institutional change and social justice. The series is



a part of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation's Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation efforts, a comprehensive, national and community-based process to plan for and bring about transformational and sustainable change, and to address the historic and contemporary effects of racism.

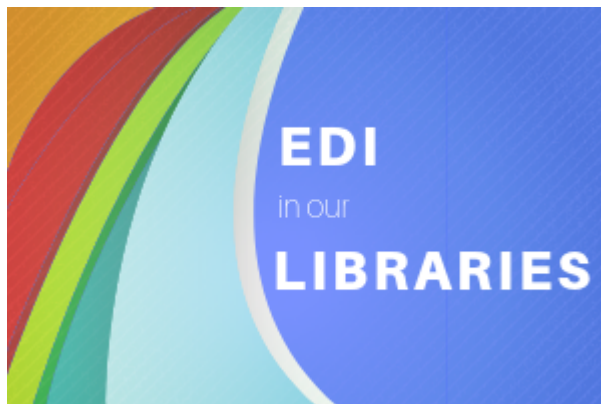
Participating libraries will work with small groups of approximately 10 teens; provide up to four theme-related books for each participant to keep as their own; and convene opportunities for exploration and discussion of relevant humanities content among peers. Libraries will also be encouraged, but not required, to offer at least one interactive session led by a racial healing practitioner. Up to 35

libraries will be selected; applications will be due by July 15.

Project guidelines and application can be found in the [press release](#).



EDI in our Libraries: The Library is the Heart of the School



An initiative of ALA President Loida Garcia-Febo and her Diversity Advisory Board, this EDI video series gives visibility to a diverse representation of library workers, champions, and patrons to help deepen the understanding of the principles of equity, diversity, and inclusion in action in the nation's libraries.

Next in the series is Erika Long, school librarian at Thurgood Marshall Middle School in Nashville, Tennessee. Watch her video and learn more about

her efforts by visiting [EDI in our Libraries](#).



2020 ALA Annual Conference Program Proposals Now Open

Social Justice and Public Libraries: Equity Starts with Us

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Libraries across the country are making stronger commitments to equitable library services for all. Librarians, library administrators, library staff, and other stakeholders are encouraged to join PLA to grow the collective capacity and connections library workers will need to do this work.

During this one-and-a-half day symposium, attendees will explore how power and privilege operate interpersonally and institutionally; identify how oppression shows up in communities and libraries; and learn about historical and contemporary social justice movements. Participants will hear from libraries putting equity into practice, develop regional connections, and create local action plans to advance equity and

social justice in our organizations and communities.

Upcoming symposiums will take place in Charleston, South Carolina and Chicago, Illinois.

You can learn more and register on [PLA's website](#).

Purchase Anonymity

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What's on Intersections?

Have you visited [Intersections](#) lately? Intersections, ODLIS' blog, highlights the work of library and information science workers as they create safe, responsible, and all-inclusive spaces that serve and represent the entire community, as well as



initiatives and projects supported by the office that promotes their work.

This past month, ODLOS has highlighted stories on successful outreach programs and student retention.

Peruse the blogs and offer your own thoughts by visiting [Intersections](#).



**2020 SYMPOSIUM ON THE
FUTURE OF LIBRARIES
OPENS CALL FOR
SESSION PROPOSALS**

What our affiliates are doing

Our affiliates have been busy; check out what's new below.



BCALA Kitchen Table Conversations at Annual

BCALA invites BCALA members and non-members to learn more about BCALA and

help it grow during Kitchen Table Conversations happening on Saturday, June 22. [Learn more and RSVP.](#)



ARSL Conference 2020

ARSL is excited to head to Wichita, Kansas September 30 - October 3, 2020. The conference hotel is the Hyatt

Regency downtown and sessions will be held there and in the connecting Century II Convention Center. Save the date!



REFORMA Noche de Cuentos at ALA Annual

On Friday, June 21 at the Library of Congress, REFORMA will host 'Noche de Cuentos: Celebrating the Power of Storytelling to Unite Communities'. The program will feature award-winning authors and storytellers in an enchanting evening of performances celebrating and affirming the richness of Latino heritage and culture. You can [RSVP on Facebook](#).



CALA 2019 Annual Programs

6/20: Pre-conference "Change, Challenge and Opportunity" on June 20, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Johns Hopkins University Library Macksey Room, MSE Library (Homewood Campus)

6/21: Board Meeting III (2018-2019) 7-9 p.m. Capital Hilton

6/22: Annual Program; Poster sessions 1-3:30 p.m. Capital Hilton

6/22: CALA Awards Banquet ([registration](#))

6/23: Board Meeting I (2019-2020) 10-11 a.m.
Capital Hilton

 **APALA Awards for Literature
at ALA Annual**

APALA will have its annual literature awards on Saturday, June 22, in Washington, D.C. The event will take place at Sakina Halal Grill and will honor the authors who have won APALA's adult fiction, adult non-fiction, young adult, children's literature, and picture book awards. More information can be found [here](#).



AILA Celebrates 40

The American Indian Library Association (AILA) invites ALA Annual attendees to celebrate AILA's 40th anniversary. AILA will be celebrating with a social on Friday, June 21 from 5 p.m. – 8 p.m. You can learn more at: <https://aila40.eventbrite.com>.



**Apply for the Bernard Vavrek
Scholarship**

ABOS has created the Bernard Vavrek Scholarship to contribute to the education and training in the area of bookmobile and outreach services. It is awarded annually to a student who has been accepted into or is currently enrolled in a Library and/or Information Science graduate degree program at an ALA accredited school, and who is interested in this particular field within the library profession. This scholarship honors Dr. Vavrek's profound commitment to librarianship. For more information visit <https://abos-outreach.com/awards>.



Donate to JCLC

[Donating to JCLC](#) helps support their work to advocate for and address the common needs of library workers of color.

That's it from us this month; we'll see you in July!



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