



May 2020

## Youth Services COVID Conversations Series



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### Discussion Sessions on Youth Services Topics

Due to their success last month, Angie will continue hosting meetings on various youth services topics relating to COVID-19. There was less interest in Angie's office hours, so she's transitioning this time to more of these focused discussion sessions instead.

All youth services staff and other interested parties are invited to join in these upcoming meetings to discuss timely topics during COVID-19. There's no registration required to attend any of these meetings. They are all via Zoom; no camera is required, and you can join by phone or computer audio. We encourage you to be at a computer that has mic access, however, because we like to hear from participants.

Some of our topics are new this time and some are about topics we've discussed before. This is a lot of meetings! Come to those that interest you the most and fit your schedule. **These sessions are not for CE and are not recorded**, they are more "informal" times for us to get together and discuss topical, timely issues and solutions.

- Thursday, May 14th from 3:00 p.m - 4:00 p.m. : **Virtual Storytime Lessons Learned/Idea Swap**
- Friday, May 15th from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.: **Summer 2020 Check-In**
- Monday, May 18th from 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.: **Grab & Go Ideas for Social Distance Programming/Outreach**
- Tuesday, May 19th from 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.: **Serving Tweens (ages 7-12)**

- Thursday, May 21st from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.: **Serving Teens (ages 13+)**

If you have questions, comments, or suggestions for meeting topics or resources/services that would be useful, please [email Angie!](#)

**Join Angie at any of the focused topic sessions by clicking the link below about 5 minutes before the session is set to start. All of the meetings will use this link:**

[Angie's Zoom Room](#)

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## Upcoming & New CE Opportunities

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### **YACHT Club Discussion - a NEW Youth Services professional development series**

**Wednesday, May 27th, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. or 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

Set sail with Youth Services Consultant Angie Manfredi on the latest CE opportunity from the State Library. Once a month the **YACHT Club (Young**

**Adult/Children's Hot Topics) Discussion** will meet to chat about articles, a podcast episode, blog posts, or some other accessible-to-all youth services professional development resource. Participants will read/listen to/watch the resources, then we'll get together to discuss them and how they can apply to our work as Children & Youth Librarians in Iowa.

You'll receive each month's assignment once you register. To ensure a productive discussion for everyone, sessions are limited to 30 people and you must have a microphone to participate. Sessions will not be recorded. While any library staff can attend, the topics will be focused on youth services, so we'd love to see a great turn out from our youth services specialists. Please only register for one session.

All Aboard!

[Register for May YACHT Club Discussion](#)



### **Pop YS Live**

**Thursday, May 28, 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

Pop YS Live returns in May! Join us for a POP of continuing education for all things youth services. May's session is all about Japanese comics and graphic novels known as manga! Join us for **MANGA 101**. What sets manga apart, and why will it fly off your shelves? This webinar will demystify how

Japanese comics work and recommend plenty of titles for teens and younger readers, including opportunities for programming. Whether you already know your *seinen* from your *shojo* or aren't sure how to pronounce manga, this session will prepare you to include them in your collections and event calendar.

Our special presenter is Thomas Maluck. With more than 10 years of experience as a Teen Services Librarian, Thomas works at Richland Library - the 2017 IMLS National Medal winner - in Columbia, South Carolina. He has composed articles for *Public Libraries*, *The Hub*, *Book Riot*, *Comics Bookcase*, *Toastmaster*, and *Library Trends*. He also reviews graphic novels for *No Flying No Tights* and *School Library Journal*.

In addition to being a writer and local author, Thomas co-hosts a podcast, called *The Secret Stacks*, about comics and libraries. He has spoken about podcasting, graphic novels, and teen programs at events such as

New York Comic Con, American Library Association conferences, and the closing keynote of the Quebec Library Association's 2019 annual conference.

While studying for his MLIS at the University of South Carolina, he won a Student Book Collecting Award from Thomas Cooper Library for his curation of the works of "God of Manga" Osamu Tezuka. He has been on YALSA's Great Graphic Novels For Teens selection committee as well as the Cybils Award jury for middle and high school nonfiction.

[Register for May Pop YS Live](#)

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## Additional Summer Resources Provided



**Understanding that librarians are facing a summer unlike any other, the Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) put together a packet of resources you can use for programming this summer.**

This resource includes ideas from current and past manuals that have been adapted in order to be used straight from the pages or altered for your particular needs. It contains six weeks of content highlighting early literacy, children, teens, adults, and families. The materials are divided by age group and are designed to be distributed directly to patrons as printed packets or online in a way that works best for your library. All activities provided are intended for patrons to do at home and are little to no cost.

You can access this material right now [at the CSLP website](#). A PDF version is located on the front page of the website for easy printing and download capabilities. You can access it by clicking on the salmon colored box that says "Summer 2020 Additional Resources in Response to COVID-19" [or by clicking here](#). For a more editable version CSLP members are encouraged to sign into their CSLP account and access content from the online manuals.

Please [email Angie](#) if you have any problems accessing this material or the CSLP online manual or if you have other questions regarding CSLP. Also feel free to share ways you might use and distribute these resources to your patrons all summer long!

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# Can't Miss Professional Development



There are so many great webinars, videos, blog posts, and online programming examples being created it's hard to keep up! Here's a curated list from Angie with some she thinks can be the most useful.

- [Register now](#) for **School Library Journal's Day of Dialog**. It's now fully online and totally free. This is going to be an amazing day of continuing education and professional development with more than 40 authors and publishers. Usually this event costs and is held in NYC, so it's a fun chance to get to participate virtually for free this year. This year's event is going to be held on May 27th. (And there's [an adult focused Day of Dialog event from Library Journal on May 28th!](#))
- I know everyone loved Don Tate's keynote at our Kids First conference. You might remember he talked about his picture book biography *Strong As Sandow*. Thanks to the Texas Book Festival, [now you can share Don reading Strong As Sandow](#) with your patrons on your social media channels. (and you can just enjoy him reading it for yourself!)
- If you have heard of "trauma informed" service you might be thinking the time we're in is the perfect time to learn how to apply these principles to our serve and work life. Emporia State recently hosted a webinar on **Being Trauma Informed During a Pandemic: A Introduction for Library Staff** from librarian S. Bryce Kozla. I found this session to be very useful for both myself and my work. [Click here to watch the archived webinar and see other resources](#).
- Accessibility was a hot topic in the recent summer planning webinars. **As you work to ensure your media and virtual programs are accessible, here are some helpful resources:** The Colorado Virtual Library just hosted an amazing webinar on [Creating Accessible Programs For All](#). There's also a comprehensive resource list. I highly recommend everyone read [What If Accessibility Was A Right Not A Request?](#) from the Colorado Libraries for Early Literacy has tons of great resources.
- Many of you have been asking about **radio storytimes!** Claudia Haines from Homer, AK is hosting a great program that got coverage from the Associated Press. [She wrote up a blog with details on how she runs a radio storytime](#), it's very helpful. And our own [Knoxville Public Library](#) here in Iowa is also doing radio storytime, so if you want an Iowa perspective on it, reach out to them for more info!

**What professional development have you been loving? Are there specific resources you're looking for? Drop your questions and your favorites in [an email to Angie](#) to be featured in the next round-up.**

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