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ILOC Conference Call For Proposals

A new year is right around the corner, which means a new **ILOC Conference** is, too. The **Iowa Libraries Online Conference** is scheduled for **January 20, 2022** and will follow the theme ***“Make Room For YES: Overcome Challenges and Take Up New Opportunities.”*** This day-long event will have something for everyone, including an evening program for trustees. And it's already open for registration in [IALearns](#).

We have received a few presentation proposals, so thanks to those of you who submitted suggestions. But we need more sessions, which means we need more of you! There are a few days remaining to submit an **ILOC conference proposal**. To be considered as a presenter, please complete this application form at the button below; deadline is **November 24th**, presenters will be notified by December 1st.

To help you flesh out a conference proposal, Samantha Bouwers has more about **ILOC 2022**: *“As communities reopen and libraries establish new ways of doing things, we invite our conference participants to consider what they can say “YES” to in their library to support and better their community. Maybe it’s a new program, grant opportunity, or partnership. The possibilities are endless! The ILOC conference will encourage attendees to implement new ideas or practices in their library.”*

If your library has **“Made Room for Yes,”** we want to hear from you! If you are considering an idea for a presentation, but would like some help fleshing it out, just [contact a member of the ILOC Planning Team](#): Samantha Bouwers, Emily Bainter, Becky Heil, Bonnie McKewon, Nancy Medema, and Maryann Mori.

Submit an ILOC Proposal Today



Endorsement Renewal

In closing out the calendar year, this is a good time log into your IALearns account and check the end date of your endorsement. Once logged in, click on your **PROFILE**, then click on **CERTIFICATIONS**. Continuing Education Consultant Samantha Bouwers writes: *"while we are working away from the everyone-renewing-on-New Years Eve scheme, most people currently endorsed will still have that 12/31/20XX end date on their profile."*

*So If you're looking at a December 2021 renewal deadline, it's time to get those last few hours earned and then submit your renewal. Because IALearns is a learning management system, this process is now MUCH easier for all involved. All we need now (assuming you've imported your previous credit hours) is a copy of your IALearns transcript. Inside your account, look for the big blue **PRINT TRANSCRIPTS REPORT** button on the **OVERVIEW** tab...."*

If you have not requested an import of hours, submit a combination of your paper scans and IALearns transcript. Reach out to the CE Team with any questions LibContEd@iowa.gov and renew your Endorsement today 😊

Read More About The Endorsement Program

All Iowa Reads 2022 Titles



Earlier this month, the **All Iowa Reads** titles for 2022 were announced on Iowa Public Radio's *Talk of Iowa* program. Program host Charity Nebbe was joined by Jillian Rutledge with Waterloo Public Library to announce the title for adults. And Tegan Beese, State Library Youth Services consultant, was there to announce the titles for teens and children.

Again in 2022, the State Library will provide multiple copies of all three titles for local libraries to borrow for book discussions throughout the year. Here are the books chosen for the **All Iowa Reads** program in the coming new year:

Adult Title: The Butterfly Effect by Rachel Mans McKenny. “The tale of a grumpy introvert, her astonishing lack of social skills, and empirical data-driven approach to people and relationships. The Butterfly Effect is an unconventional tale of self-discovery, navigating relationships, and how sometimes it takes stepping outside of our comfort zone to find what we need the most.” [Penguin Random House]

Teen Title: What I Carry by Jennifer Longo. “... Muriel, a self-described “foundling” approaching her 18th birthday in the foster-care system, has become an expert at moving because she’s bounced around to nearly two dozen foster homes. With her emancipation from the system on the horizon, Muriel just needs to keep herself out of trouble until her birthday. But when her home city of Seattle can’t place her anywhere, Muriel is shipped off to a remote island in the Puget Sound, where she finds people who complicate, and may heal, her personal philosophy against attachments. And she may find a home at last.” [Bustle]

Children’s Title: The Lonely Heart of Maybelle Lane by Kate O’Shaughnessy. “Learning that Maybelle’s dad, a radio DJ whom she’s never met, will be judging a singing contest in Nashville, she enters. But Maybelle suffers from anxiety and a fear of singing, so she must dig deep to find the courage to perform. Lyrical and full of heart, this road trip story gets to the core of what it means to create family, to be brave, and to accept the flaws of being human.” [Publishers Weekly]

Visit The Iowa Center for the Book

This Week: Webinars & Holidays

Pop YS Book Club. November 22. 11:00AM-12:PM

This book club will meet quarterly, reading books across the youth services spectrum, including picture books, early readers, middle grade, and young adult. Leadership texts and other nonfiction will be in the mix, too. The November selection is the 2021 Great Reads from Great Places book selection Grasshopper Jungle by Andrew Smith. [Register in IALearn](#)



Prepping for Accreditation: The ADA Checklist. November 23. 10:00-11:00AM

If your library is in the next accreditation cycle, then February 2022 is the time to submit your accreditation application. And if you’d like ample time to discuss the accreditation process and learn more about what’s required—well in advance of the deadline—then join our “**Prepping For Accreditation**” series. This month the topic turns to the ADA Checklist.

District Consultants facilitate these information sessions, focusing on specific standards like strategic planning, policies, board education, and more. We’ll have material prepared, but these

sessions are largely designed for conversation and Q&A, in a format similar to District Office Hours.

While intended for libraries in the next accreditation cycle (February 2022) these sessions will also be valuable for all other libraries wanting to increase their Tier status and move from Tier 0-1-2-3. This series will be equally helpful for newly hired directors, certainly any library board members are welcome to attend. No preregistration necessary; contact your [District Consultant](#) for a link to the Zoom room.

Check It Out. November 23. 11:00AM-12:00PM

Check It Out is a webinar series spotlighting the best new books for ages 0-18. Join Youth Services Consultant Tegan Beese every month for booktalks on the latest titles. **Check It Out** gives you collection development ideas and looks at trends in publishing and more. [Register in IA Learns](#)

Thanksgiving Holiday News

Governor Reynolds awarded two extra holidays for state employees, one of them being this Wednesday November 24th. So State Library offices will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday Wednesday-Friday this week. **Monday Morning Eye-Opener** will be back on December 6th. Safe Travels and Happy Thanksgiving!



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