



May 2021

## Storytime in Practice Pop YS LIVE Webinar



We have a super fun Pop YS webinar this month before we take off June and July as part of our summer break! After hearing lots of requests for more chances to share our storytime successes, we're bringing you a very special session of Pop YS LIVE! Registration is now open in IA Learns.

Wish you could see other librarians share some of their storytime tricks? Looking for some new techniques for online storytime? Worried that you're not a storytime expert and feel nervous about it? Join us for this session where three BRAND NEW youth librarians will share directly with you some of their storytime tips and tricks and even demonstrate some of their storytimes. It will give you the encouragement you need as well as give you some

great new ideas, no matter where you are in your storytime work. We learn best by learning in practice and this is a fun chance for you to observe the practice of some of your fellow librarians.

- **May Pop YS LIVE: Storytime in Practice**

**Thursday, May 20**

**1:00-2:00**

Pop YS is a monthly series that features a quick POP of professional development about a topic related to youth services. Topics are new every month to keep it fresh and relevant and often feature in-practice librarians. While we're taking summer off, we would love to hear your ideas about what you'd like to see featured in an upcoming Pop YS Live session so please, [send Angie an email](#) with any ideas!

[Register for Storytime in Practice: Pop YS Live for May](#)

## Say Hello At Our Monthly Hangouts!

Since libraries have been expanding services and opening times, it's been hard to find time to get together virtually and discuss lessons learned and common issues. Angie decided to bring back her monthly **Pop YS Pop-Ins** for youth librarians to have a chance to chat with other librarians across the state.

Ready to brainstorm about summer? Working out kinks with re-opening and want to talk to other libraries about it? Have ANYthing you want to discuss with other youth services librarians? POP-IN to one of these monthly sessions. Can't stay the whole hour? It's OK! Miss this month? It's fine, try the next hangout! Previously, we've had them the last Monday of the month, but May is Memorial Day so instead we'll be

meeting a week earlier. These sessions are not for CE and will not be recorded.

- **Monday, May 24**  
**Monthly Pop YS Pop-In**  
**11:00-12:00**

If you have questions, comments, or suggestions about the Pop-Ins or any other topics or get-togethers that might be useful, please [email Angie!](#)

**Join Angie at Pop YS Pop-Ins by clicking the link below about 5 minutes before the session is set to start.**



[Angie's Zoom Room](#)

## Continuing Education Opportunities

### Check It Out!

**Tuesday, May 25, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

Check It Out! is a webinar series spotlighting the best new books for ages 0-18. Check It Out! gives you booktalking tips, read-alikes, collection development ideas and looks at trends in publishing and more. We have a lot of fun and after every session both your shelves and your TBR list will be full!



[Register for Check It Out! - May](#)

### Fresh Kernels

Kernels is one of our new initiatives for continuing education and professional development! Kernels serves up bite-sized information on all sorts of library-related topics. An ongoing series of prerecorded videos, each installment offers an overview of a program, service, or library methodology applied in a public library setting. They feature practicing librarians talking about what they're up to, so others can benefit and apply the idea in their library. You can earn half an hour CE credit for each Kernel you watch and you can watch them in IA Learns or on our YouTube channel.

We have **thirteen Kernels** with more to come! New Kernels with youth centered focus are [Rosie from Ames talking about how to set up and run a dial-in Story Line](#) and [Tyler from Cherokee with a primer on eSports at your library](#) but make sure you check them ALL out.

Please let us know any feedback and thoughts on what you'd like to see in future episodes and especially if **you** have something YOU'D like to talk about in a Kernels of your own!



[Kernels Quick Learning](#)



## Catch Up On Past CE Sessions

Have you missed one of our Pop YS Live sessions or Check It Out? Do you want to catch up on the summer programming sessions? Don't forget you can view past recordings in IA Learns! You can check the description of the YouTube videos linked below if you want to watch in IA Learns for credit. There are lots of other great continuing education videos about all kinds of topics, so if you have missed them make sure to take a look.

- [Pop YS Live Playlist](#) (sessions on Media Mentorship in the Age of COVID, 2021 Reading Challenges, Virtual Maker Programming,

and Summer Food Service)

- [Check It Out! 2021 Playlist](#)
- [Summer Programming Roundtable, ABC Libraries](#)
- [Summer Programming Roundtable, D+ Libraries](#)

**2021 ALL IOWA READS**  
Virtual Author Visit Series

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Remy Lai

IOWA CENTER FOR THE BOOK

## Register for a Summer Virtual Author Visit!

Looking to add an author visit to your summer programming? Authors Remy Lai and Randy Ribay are joining us to discuss their 2021 All Iowa Reads selections and you can invite ALL your patrons! Registration is for events in June, July, and August is now open and you can reserve book sets now. We've even created a whole [library media kit](#) to help with your promotion.

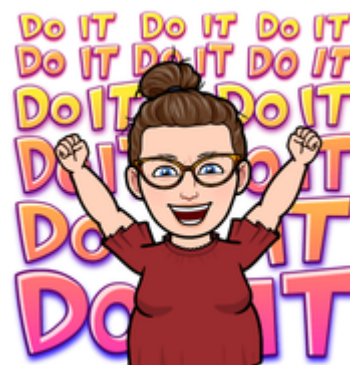
[2021 All Iowa Reads Author Visit Info](#)



### YOU ARE GOING TO ROCK THIS SUMMER!

WOW can it really be time for another summer? I know this summer is already totally different than any time before and it feels like there are so many unknowns ahead but I want to remind you that you are awesome, inventive, creative, and capable. I know that each of you is going to make some summer magic and bring a little summer joy into the lives of your families and communities. It's hard right now and summer is ALWAYS hard but please remember that what you are doing is important and it matters and SO DO YOU. You have got this and what you are doing is absolutely enough.

Remember you don't have to do everything, you're not competing with anyone and what you do is wonderful and worthy. THANK YOU for being and doing so much for all of Iowa's families and kids and teens and for showing up in ALL the ways for your community. Take time to relax, do one less thing, and know you are enough. You got this summer, you're going to be amazing and I believe in you!! -Angie



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