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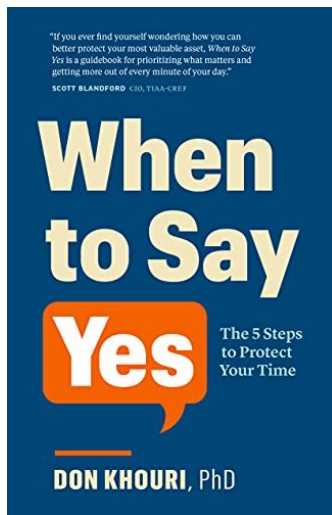
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Big Ideas Book Discussion February 25



[When to Say Yes](#)

A new year of **Big Ideas Book Discussions** kicks off on **February 25 (9:30-11:00AM)** And the first title in this year's series is [When to Say Yes: The Five Steps to Protect Your Time](#) by Don Khouri (c2021) For several years, the State Library's Continuing Education Team has chosen an annual theme around which to develop education offerings. 2022's theme is "**Make Room For Yes,**" making this book especially timely.

Saying YES to new things is great, but doing so often demands letting go and saying NO old practices and old habits. This review from Amazon: *"In this revolutionary approach to personal productivity, you'll discover how to*

successfully triage the requests coming your way so you can stop bleeding time. You'll learn the importance of being purposely productive rather than constantly busy and vanquish your to-do list for good. Drawing on human psychology, case studies, and personal stories, Don Khouri shares the Five Steps for evaluating and prioritizing requests from bosses, colleagues, friends, family—even yourself..."

In **Big Ideas Book Discussions**, State Library staff and partners facilitate discussions using books outside of library management, but with plenty of application to library management. Choosing books on leadership, civic engagement, presentation skills, etc. we connect those ideas with public library service.

We encourage participants to purchase books used throughout the **Big Ideas** series for your own collections. And join us for the next good read: [When to Say Yes.](#)

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READ BEYOND THE BEATEN PATH



IREADPROGRAM.ORG

Summer Library Program 2022

Workshops & Webinars

This reminder comes from Youth Services Consultant Tegan Beese. The State Library is sponsoring webinars as well as in-person workshops focused on the 2022 summer theme **“Read Beyond the Beaten Path.”** For the in-person workshops—at this point planned at four locations around the state—Tegan provides this agenda:

- Introduction to the 2022 Theme (12:30-1:30PM)
- Small Group Breakout Sessions (1:30-2:20)
- Deeper Dive Into iRead Collaboration and the Theme (2:30-3:30)
- Small Group Breakout Sessions (3:30-4:15)
- Wrap-Up (4:15-4:30)

In small group sessions, participants can expect to discuss outreach ideas, community partnerships, tracking participation, and programming for various age groups. Find information about these workshops and much more on the [State Library's Youth Services webpage](#)

Be sure to contact [Tegan Beese](#) with questions. And find details regarding workshops dates and locations in **IALearns** ... register there, too!

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Seeking Conference Proposals



Youth Services Conference in April

Formerly known as Kids First, the 2022 State Library conference for youth services is now called **Pop YS Con**. And it's making a comeback to an in-person event: **April 4-5 in Ames, IA.**

The State Library is seeking proposals from Iowa youth librarians interested in presenting a session. Youth Services Consultant Tegan Beese writes *“Do you have a great idea that you want to share with youth library staff across the state? Are you looking forward to*

*connecting and learning in person? Come share with us at Pop YS Con 2022! The submission form is open now. **Please submit your proposal by January 31 at 4:00PM***

If you'd like to jump into the speakers' pool, but aren't sure where to start, here are some topics to consider:

- Intellectual Freedom
- Collection Development Audit
- Family Programming
- Programs Begun in the Pandemic That Are Continuing
- Weeding Youth Collections
- Teen Programming
- Books and/or Programs for Babies
- Neurodiversity
- Social Media Engagement
- Community Partnerships

Contact [Tegan Beese](#) with questions; click the button below to access the proposal form.

POP YS CON Proposal Form

This Week ...



AIR 2022 Author Presentations January 24. 1:00-3:00PM

Join a special webinar this very afternoon with **the authors of all three 2022 All Iowa Reads** selections: Rachel Mans McKenny (*The Butterfly Effect*); Jennifer Longo (*What I Carry*); and Kate O'Shaughnessy (*The Lonely Heart of Maybelle Lane*) Each author will discuss her work and answer questions. This program will also offer a brief

overview of the resources available from the State Library to support All Iowa Reads events at your library.

Register Inside IALearns

Prepping For Accreditation. January 25. 10:00-11:00AM

The **"Prepping For Accreditation"** series **wraps up tomorrow January 25** with a demonstration of how to file the online application for accreditation due on February 28.

Since August, District Consultants have facilitated these information sessions, focusing on specific standards like strategic planning, policies, board education, and more. We 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 have proven valuable for all other libraries wanting to increase their Tier status and move from Tier 0-1-2-3. This series is 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.** Because these are consulting sessions, not intended as workshops, CE credit will not be awarded.



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