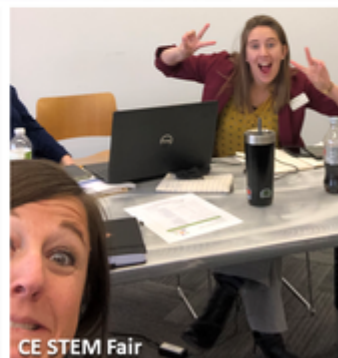




March 31, 2023

From the CE Team



STEM Fairs and Summer Reading Summits Have Wrapped!

We had so much fun out and about around the state at the STEM Fairs and Summer Reading Summits in March. Thank you to all our presenters, host sites, and attendees for making them a success!

Apologies to our friends in Northwest District whose events got snowed out, but we did snag a few fun pictures from each of the other events around the state. Take a look at the album linked below.

We hope to offer these events again in the future! Attendees, be sure to complete your evaluations so we know what you liked and what we could improve. If you weren't able to attend, but have thoughts to share, you can always reach out to the CE Team at LibContEd@iowa.gov.

View the 2023 STEM Fairs & Summer Reading Summits Album

Newly-Added Events

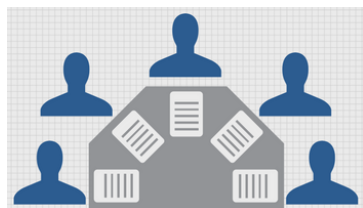
Big Ideas Book Discussion

Friday, May 19, 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.



Next up in the Big Ideas Book Discussion series is “Unreasonable Hospitality: The Remarkable Power of Giving People More Than They Expect” (c2022), a debut title by Will Guidara. Since customer service is always top-of-mind in public libraries, this book about transforming customer experiences is sure to connect in ways large and small.

[More Information & Registration](#)



Boardroom Series: Pay it Forward Checklist

Thursday, May 25, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

This webinar suggests practical approaches that help pave the way for new directors and ease the learning curve. We'll look at a “Pay It Forward Checklist,” an annual calendar of program deadlines, and the board's involvement in helping their directors through this period of adjustment. Plus, library boards should work on their own brand of transition planning ... ideas for that, too!

[More Information & Registration](#)



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Library for the Blind (May 2023) | Screen Readers in Your Library

Thursday, May 11, 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

This webinar will provide information about screen readers (JAWS, Voiceover, NVDA, Narrator). An overview of NVDA (free option for all) will be provided including how to install and use on public computers. We'll also highlight keyboard shortcuts that any user will find helpful.

[More Information & Registration](#)

Additional Upcoming Events



Pop YS Live (April 2023) | The Whole Book Approach

Wednesday, April 11, 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Discover the difference between reading *to* children and reading *with* children. This approach helps adults create an active, discussion-based reading experience for children that builds observation and critical-thinking skills. This session will be presented by Courtney Waring of the Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art.

[More Information & Registration](#)

Library for the Blind (April 2023) | Etiquette: Providing Customer Services to Individuals Who are Blind

Thursday, April 13, 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The staff from the Iowa Department for the Blind will provide general etiquette examples and useful customer service tips for serving individuals who are blind.

[More Information & Registration](#)

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Check It Out! | April 2023

Tuesday, April 25, 2023, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Join us for our webinar series spotlighting the best new books for ages 0-18. Join Janeé every month for booktalks on the latest titles. Check It Out! gives you collection development ideas and looks at trends in publishing and more.

[More Information & Registration](#)

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Foundation Directory

Find Grant Money For Your Library And Community: Using Foundation Directory

Two Identical Sessions:

Tuesday, April 25, 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 27, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

In this webinar presented by Douglas Moore of Foundation Directory (FD), you'll learn how to search the interface for grants for your library and how to teach your patrons as well. The first half of this webinar will be a demonstration of how to search and use the information in FD, the second half will be open for your questions.

Note that a library's IP address must be registered with FD and you must be in your library to access. **To confirm your IP is registered and you are able to access FD from your library, contact Toni.Blair@iowa.gov.**

[Register for the April 25 Session](#)[Register for the April 27 Session](#)

Beyond "UNPLUG IT, STAT": Cybersecurity Incident Response Plan Workshop

Wednesday, May 3, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

When faced with a cybersecurity incident, our first response is probably to unplug the computer and never plug it back in, but there's so much more to it than that. In this session (presented by Ryan Mulhall, Chief Information Officer of the Iowa Communications Network (ICN)), participants will learn about cybersecurity, the risks, and some common attacks.

[More Information & Registration](#)

Director Roundtables

In-Person Events Through May in Each District

This spring, Director Roundtables will follow our overall education theme for 2023: "Productive Partnerships." With last year's theme ("Make Room for Yes") as a jumping off point, we'll spend time this year discussing the benefits of finding



partners in a common cause and how productive partnerships can advance mutual missions for community betterment.

[More Information & Registration](#)

New Kernels

Kernels is an ongoing series of prerecorded videos from the State Library. Each installment in the series offers an overview of a program, service, or library methodology applied in a public library setting. They feature in practice librarians talking about what they're up to, so others can benefit & apply that idea in their library.

View on YouTube for informational purposes or in IA Learns for CE credit.

Kernels! Programming for Adults

Join Sam Bouwers (State Library of Iowa) and Chris Baumgarn, Sally Morris, & David Hargrove (Winterset Public Library) as they chat about how Winterset manages a VERY full slate of adult programming in their library.

- [View the Adult Programming Kernel](#)

Kernels! Using Canva in Your Library

Join Bonnie McKewon (State Library of Iowa) and Angie Scales (Ida Grove Public Library) as they chat about how Angie uses Canva to create marketing materials for her small library.

- [View the Canva Kernel](#)



[View All Kernels](#)

Webinar Archive



View in IA Learns to access the evaluation & see the CE Hours on your transcript. Watch the whole recording, click next in the upper-right, and follow the prompts to get to the evaluation. Remember to type something in every field before hitting "Save."

[IA Learns Login](#)

If you don't track CE hours, or only want to view for informational purposes, you can also view recorded webinars on the State Library of Iowa CE Team YouTube Channel. Subscribe for alerts when new content is added!

External CE Training Opportunities



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The Wyoming State Library maintains a great list of CE events going on around the country. It's a good place to browse if you're looking for hours, or something on a specific topic. Our thanks to our colleagues in Wyoming for compiling this list. Please note, all times listed are in Mountain Time.

[Wyoming State Library Training Calendar](#)

Watch a course from that list or another CE training offered by someone other than the State Library of Iowa? Please complete the "Request for External CE Form" within 45 days of participating in the training.

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