



March 29, 2024

## News from the CE Team



### Registration Now Open! 2024 Director Roundtables

In continuation of our 2024 CE theme, *Libraries are Forever*, this year's Director Roundtables will look at examples of how library staff, boards, and supporters have shown libraries are here to stay: as partners in education and the arts, as valuable players in civic life, as trusted sources of information, and by designing great public places in cities large and small. Join your fellow directors to share your experiences surrounding:

- Sustainability: Going green with improvements to buildings, grounds, etc.
- Collaboration: Working together with community partners
- Teamwork: Positive interactions with other city services or departments
- Programming: Making a noticeable impact in your community
- Funding: Alternative financing options

Throughout each district, directors will have a chance to learn from their district consultant, network with their peers, and apply new learning in their library. Roundtables are designed in a 3-hour format, with guided instruction followed by open-ended discussion.

**Find out more and register for any of the 17 sessions scheduled across the state during the month of May:**

[Director Roundtables](#)

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## Newly-Added Events

### Big Ideas Book Discussion (May 2024): Talking on Eggshells

Friday, May 17, 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.



Our next Big Ideas Book Discussions title is *Talking on Eggshells: Soft Skills for Hard Conversations* by Sam Horn. We're often faced with hard conversations. Some anticipated, some not. If you ever left one of those situations thinking "I wish I had said ...," then this could be the book for you.

[More Information & Registration](#)



### Lunch with the State Library (May 2024): ALL about ILL

Thursday, May 23, 12:15 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.

This month's Lunch with the State Library is ALL about ILL... That is to say, entirely about interlibrary loan (ILL). Tom Keyser and Dori Buls will take us through some best practices and tips and tricks for in-state ILLs using SILO and IA Shares, and out-of-state ILLs using OCLC.

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### Check it Out! (May 2024)

Tuesday, May 28, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Check it Out! is a monthly webinar series from the State Library of Iowa spotlighting the best new books for ages 0-18. Youth Services Consultant Janeé Jackson-Doering will share collection development tips, programming ideas, the best books to use for storytimes, and of course, new titles galore for kids and teens. This is a fun, fast-paced session that will fill both your library shelves and your TBR list!

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## Additional Upcoming Events

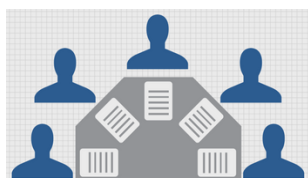


### Lunch with the State Library (April 2024): Bridges

Thursday, April 18, 12:15 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.

This month's Lunch with the State Library will highlight our eLibrary consortium: Bridges. Not yet a member? The deadline for new libraries to join Bridges in 2024 is March 29, but this webinar will explain the new member process to those who might be curious for 2025 and beyond! If you're already part of Bridges, you'll learn more about how titles are selected, how the program is funded, and how to promote Bridges to your library users.

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### Boardroom Series (April 2024): Basically Incredible Boards

Thursday, Apr. 18, 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Our first Boardroom Series webinar of 2024 takes the ideas of Iowa author Matt Booth and applies them to your library board's work. Booth's book, "Basically Incredible: Doing the Basics Consistently Leads to a Better Life," argues that despite the complexity of life, it's the simple and fundamental practices that truly

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## 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!

[State Library CE YouTube Channel](#)

## External CE Training Opportunities



The Maine State Library maintains a 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 Maine for compiling this list. Please confirm time zone when registering for an event

[Nationwide CE 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.

[Request for External CE Credit](#)

**As of January 1, 2024, hours earned through WebJunction will be automatically applied to your IA Learns account.** You can expect to see hours on your account on or near the 1st day of the following month. The completion date of your coursework in IA Learns will match your WebJunction certificate.

You do not need to fill out the Request for External CE Credit form for WebJunction content for any course. It will simply be added to your IA Learns transcript!

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