



September 6, 2024

## News from the CE Team



**Morning Keynote**  
**Phillip Carter**  
Director, Starkville-Oktibbeha County (Mississippi) Public Library System

**Afternoon Keynote**  
**Reed Hepler**

Digital Initiatives Librarian,  
College of Southern Idaho



### Learning Circuit Registration Closes Soon!

There's less than one week left to register for the **2024 Learning Circuit!** We still have space in all six districts, and we would love to see you there! I'm pleased to announce the talk titles for our two keynotes:

- Phillip Carter (Director, Starkville-Oktibbeha County (Mississippi) Public Library System): **AI: The Library Timesaving Superhero**
- Reed Hepler (Digital Initiatives Librarian, College of Southern Idaho): **The Three Cs of AI-Generated Content: Copyright, Citation, and Circumspection**

I'll be rocking the North Central district with Jay, and I couldn't be more pumped about all the fun stuff we have lined up for you on the 26th! Hope you can make it.

#### Registration closes September 12.

But before the Learning Circuit for me... ARSL! I'll be taking off Wednesday for my first annual ARSL Conference. What do you recommend I make sure to see/do while there? I'm so excited!

Sam Bouwers | CE Consultant



### 2024 Space Planning Workshops

October 21 in Spencer | October 22 in Altoona | October 23 in Coralville

All locations: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Join NYU professor David Vinjamuri (author of *Library Space Planning: A PLA Guide*), architect Joe Huberty (co-author of *The Practical Handbook of Library Architecture*), and Iowa Librarian Zach Row-Heyveld (Assistant Director at the Decorah Public

Library) to learn how to maximize your library space so it serves you better, even on a limited budget.

This will be a hands-on workshop: please bring a floorplan of your space to use during exercises. The workshop has several essential parts:

- **Understanding Needs:** How to know patrons' needs; ideas of how to partner with municipalities and community service organizations to make this easier
- **Collection Strategy:** Create a collection that has breadth and diversity, but still leaves more room for patrons
- **Merchandising and Optimizing:** Increase circulation with better merchandising of collection materials
- **Case Study:** Learn how the Decorah Public Library achieved a 40% increase in adult collection circulation without renovating
- **Analytics for Reorganizing Space:** Ideas of how to analyze your space and make it work to better meet library and patron needs
- **5 Secrets for Maintaining Your Library:** How to maximize the life of your library building and reduce maintenance costs

The cost for registration is \$20 and includes a buffet lunch. Register by October 7!

[More Information & Registration](#)

## Ready to Go: Accessible Library Programs for Youth Librarians

Join Denise Bean from the Iowa Library for the Blind and Print Disabled for a monthly Accessibility-Themed Program. Whether you're looking to innovate or refine your creative skills don't miss out on the opportunity to elevate your library activities with our engaging and accessible themes. Each month Denise Bean will walk you through an "All-In-One Youth Library Program" for librarians to use within their library. Each month will feature:

- Special Guest Spotlight.
- Prerecorded Tips from an Iowa Library for the Blind Team Staff Member.
- Accessible Resource Page.
- Q & A Session on how to Navigate Accessible Library Programs.

The course will run from September 2024 - April 2025. Contact Denise for more information ([denise.bean@blind.state.ia.us](mailto:denise.bean@blind.state.ia.us)).

[More Information & Registration](#)

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## Workday Learning Updates

The CE Team is hard at work migrating data from IA Learns to Workday. We appreciate your patience during the transition! We still don't have a firm date from the technical team on when user accounts will be created, but we will be in touch with account holders as soon as we know more.

In the meantime, you are still welcome to [view CE from other providers](#) and let us know about the hours using the [Request for External CE Hours form](#). We'll save the submissions and make sure the hours are added to your Workday Learning account before we go live.

We'll continue to do our best to keep the transition FAQ page up-to-date! And of course, email [LibContEd@lowa.gov](mailto:LibContEd@lowa.gov) with your questions.

[IA Learns Transition Information](#)

# External CE Training Opportunities

**During the transition into Workday Learning you are still welcome to view external CE and submit your hours. You will see hours reflected on your Workday Learning account after the system launches.**



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!



[Browse the WebJunction Course Catalog](#)

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