



April 25, 2025

## Director Roundtables Kick Off Next Week!



### Are You Registered?

**The 2025 Director Roundtables kick off next week!** From May 1 in Boone to May 29 in Charles City, there are 15 roundtables to choose from scheduled throughout all six districts in May.

This event will give attendees an opportunity to further dig into our 2025 education theme: *Assess, Adapt, Act*. With that focus, we'll explore strategies for assessing library services and the critical connections between program evaluations, staff performance reviews, and board engagement.

Our discussion topics will include:

- **Performance:** Translating staff and board training into action plans.
- **Programming:** Defining a "successful" program and knowing if you've met your goals.
- **Planning:** Evaluating services like library spaces and your long-term strategic plan.

[More Information & Registration](#)

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## Newly-Added Events



## Friday Tech Focus (May 2025): Tame the Chaos with Notion

Friday, May 30, 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Ready to level up your library organization game? Join us for a peak into Notion—the digital workspace that's part note-taker, part task manager, and all about making your life easier. We'll show you how Notion can help you wrangle programming plans, track outreach efforts, manage your strategic plan, and more.

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## Check it Out (June 2025)

Tuesday, June 24, 11:00 a.m. to 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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## Upcoming Events



## Pop YS Live (May 2025): Organizing Recruited Presenters

Tuesday, May 13, 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

This month's Pop YS Live will feature an all-inclusive look at working with outside presenters in your library. We'll start with some recruitment and contracting best practices, including program agreements for expectation setting and a checklist to give your presented events their best chance of success.

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**Programming Note:** Pop YS Live will be on hiatus during June & July. Our best to Youth Services Librarians providing Summer Reading Programming during those months!



## Big Ideas Book Discussion (May, 2025) | Slow Productivity: The Lost Art of Accomplishment Without Burnout

Friday, May 16, 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

This book challenges the mindset that motivates many tech companies: “move fast and break things.” Instead, Newport’s advice leads readers and workers to an easier place by adopting these three principles: Do Fewer Things, Work at a Natural Pace, Obsess Over Quality.

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## New Kernels

Kernels is an ongoing series of prerecorded videos from the State Library of Iowa. 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.

### Kernels! Iowa PBS and the Farmer's Market Program

Join Janeé Jackson-Doering (State Library of Iowa), Kayla Rothmeyer (Perry Public Library), and Trista Peitzman & Nicki Mullins (Iowa PBS) as they chat about the Farmer's Market program developed by Iowa PBS that libraries can use in their own communities.

- [View the Farmer's Market Kernel](#)

### Kernels! Starting an Adult Summer Reading Program

Join Mary Markwalter (Mason City Public Library) and Sam Bouwers (State Library) as they chat about how Mason City launched a "first in the nation" adult summer reading program 15 years ago.

- [View the Adult Summer Reading Program Kernel](#)

[View all Kernels](#)



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[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.

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