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National Leadership and Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Grant Programs

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) is now accepting FY 2019 proposals for [National Leadership Grants for Libraries \(NLG-L\)](#) and [Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program \(LB21\)](#).

New this year, IMLS is offering one application deadline for the two programs, which have previously each had two cycles per year. Applicants have through **Monday, September 17**, to submit their two-page preliminary proposals.

The NLG-L program invests in projects that address challenges faced by the library and archives fields and generate results such as new tools, research findings, or models that can be widely used. The LB21 program supports professional development and training projects for libraries and archives.

For more information on the grant programs including pre-application webinars, visit the [National Leadership Grants for Libraries \(NLG-L\)](#) and/or [Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program \(LB21\)](#) websites.

2018 NYLA Smart Award

The NYLA SMART (Section on Management of Information Resources and Technology) Board seeks nominations for its annual award to be presented at the 2018 NYLA Conference.

This award recognizes a technical or computer services librarian who is looking to gain professional benefits from the continuing education and professional contacts with librarians and vendors provided by attendance at the NYLA Annual Conference. The award is given based on the applicant's professional activities in her/his place of employment, and future potential in this area. This award is designed for all NYLA members. The recipient selected by the Section's award committee will receive a plaque and the award, which includes \$250 reimbursement towards NYLA Conference expenses. The winner will also be provided with a membership to the SMART section.

To apply, supply:

- Nominee's name, title, employer, e-mail, work address and telephone number
- Brief employment history of candidate
- Statement on how candidate will benefit from attendance at the Conference.



Send this information by Tuesday, July 31, 2018 to Lisa Hewel (lisahewel@rcls.org) or, submit your [nomination online](#).

News Worthy

National

- [Bloomfield voters give library A-OK](#) | Daily Messenger 6.12.18
- [You'll never be charged a late fee again at these California libraries. Here's why](#) | The Sacramento Bee 6.12.18
- [Not quite the end of net neutrality](#) | District Dispatch 6.11.18
- [Why so many celebrities write children's books](#) | Moneyish.com 6.11.18
- [Libraries as Affordable Housing Partners?](#) | Nonprofit Quarterly 6.8.18
- [Party at the Library: How New York Librarians Do Prom](#) | WNYC 6.7.18
- [The Librarian's Guide to Homelessness](#) | American Libraries Magazine 6.1.18
- [An Overdue Discussion](#) | American Libraries Magazine 6.1.18

ALSC Changes Name of Laura Ingalls Wilder Award

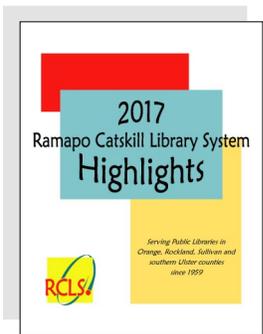
AL: The Scoop, June 25

The ALSC board voted 12-0 to change the name of the Laura Ingalls Wilder Award to the Children's Literature Legacy Award on June 23 during the 2018 ALA Annual Conference in New Orleans. In a joint statement released by ALA and ALSC on June 25, Wilder's works are acknowledged to "reflect dated cultural attitudes toward Indigenous people and people of color that contradict modern acceptance, celebration, and understanding of diverse communities."

2017 RCLS Highlights

Copies of the 2017 RCLS Highlights have been distributed to member library directors and mailed to all trustees. The report can also be found on the [RCLS website](#). A BIG "Thank YOU" to all who contributed to this annual report on the events at the System and in member libraries.

An archive of RCLS Highlights from 2000 to the present can also be found on the [RCLS website](#).



Forthcoming Bestsellers

Grace Riario, RCLS Assistant Director and Outreach Coordinator

The Summer 2018 issue of [Forthcoming Bestsellers](#), a handy guide to up-and-coming new books, is now online. Member libraries' staff can duplicate or direct their patrons to the PDF.

This list is one of four produced during the year as predicted and derived from *Publisher's Weekly*, *Library Journal*, *Booklist*, Brodart or Baker & Taylor lists, etc. According to the publishers' schedules, the titles will be released during the upcoming three months.

For best results, place copies of the list near your New Books area or at the Circulation Desk.

The Editors for this edition are Patty Sussann, Newburgh Free Library; Lisa Hewel, Josephine-Louise Public Library and Eileen Acosta, RCLS.



Senior Improv @ Your Library

Senior Improv @ Your Library, a how to and benefits workshop will be held **Friday, September 7** from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Albert Wisner Public Library, Warwick.

Libraries have taken on the role as community arts centers in our communities. In this seminar, attendees will experience how senior improvisational drama workshops and performances can help provide opportunities for seniors, and others, to come together and experience spontaneity, connection, and creativity through shared action. Participation in this seminar will offer library staff methods to build connections in the community through story sharing and plays and will help support our shared goals of diversity, equality, and inclusion in our programming. Besides, you will have a lot of fun with your peers.

Presenter Linda Richmond has been directing the Senior Improvisational Theater at the Albert Wisner Public Library since June of 2015 when she introduced the program at the library with a Play in a Day Workshop.

Special guest Ron Wiener, a sociodramatist from England, has run two Improvisational theater groups for seniors for over eight years.

To register for this workshop, use the [RCLS calendar](#).

Photo of the Week



Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library, Monticello, rocks rock and these fellows are helping kick off the Libraries Rock! Summer Reading Program at the library.

Share a library-related photo, include a brief caption, your name, position and the library's name. A photo release is required from recognizable individuals in the photo. [Click here](#) for the RCLS photo release. Submit the picture to rclsmemo@rcls.org with 'Photo of the Week' in the subject line.



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For a complete and up-to-date list of events, including links to additional information, see the [RCLS Calendar](#).
 To add information, contact [Ruth Daubenspeck](#).

July

Wednesday, 4

Independence Day—RCLS CLOSED

Thursday, 5

RCLS Advocacy and Fundraising Committee,
 RCLS—5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 11

Directors Association, RCLS—9:30 a.m.

Thursday, 12

RCLS Annual Meeting and Awards Committee,
 RCLS 2:00 p.m.

Friday, 13

SUPLA, Monticello—9:30 a.m.

Monday, 16

RCLS Board Retreat, 1:00 p.m.

Monday, 23

ANSER Committee, RCLS—9:30 a.m.

Thursday, 26

LARC-Adult Services, Orangeburg—10:00 a.m.

Thursday, 26

RCLS Managers Meeting, RCLS—10:00 a.m.

August

Wednesday, 1

Directors Association Executive Committee,
 RCLS – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, 2

[Mandatory Construction Workshop](#), RCLS – 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 8

[System Orientation](#), RCLS – 10:00 a.m.

Monday, 20

RCLS Board Meeting, RCLS – 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 22

[101 Basic Library Trustee Education](#), RCLS – 5:30 p.m.

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