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First Professional Development Roundtable of 2022 set for tomorrow



The Indiana State Library has announced the dates for its quarterly free Professional Development Roundtable meetings for 2022. The first roundtable will be held tomorrow, Jan. 20. The next three roundtables will be held April 21, July 21 and Oct. 20.

These roundtables offer those who are tasked with providing

Upcoming workshops and important dates

[What's Up Wednesday - Be the Hero! Tween and Teen Live Action Roleplaying \(LARPing\) Games](#)

When: Jan. 26, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[Building Community Engagement and Awareness Through Little Free Library](#)

When: Feb. 3, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[Get INSPIRED: EBSCO Usage Statistics and Reports](#)

When: Feb. 9, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[Getting Started with Marketplace - Indiana Digital Library \(Overdrive\)](#)

When: Feb. 15, 1-2 p.m.

Where: Webinar

[Indiana 211 and Libraries](#)

When: March 16, 2022, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

Indiana library jobs



This week's new Indiana library jobs

[Adult and Teen Librarian](#)

Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library

[Assistant Location Experience Manager](#)

Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library

[Cataloging Serials Specialist](#)

Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library

[Customer Experience Supervisor](#)

Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library

[Librarian – Reference Services](#)

Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library

[Library Public Services Manager](#)

Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library

[Technical Service Librarian](#)

Hammond Public Library

[Adult Services Librarian](#)

Huntington City-Township Public Library

[Business Manager](#)

Kendallville Public Library

[Executive Director](#)

Kendallville Public Library

[Library Assistant - Teen Central \(part-time\)](#)

Plainfield-Guilford Township Public Library

[Community Outreach Department Head](#)

Warsaw Community Public Library

professional development at their library an opportunity to connect with other Indiana library staff members who work in professional development.

Tomorrow's roundtable will begin at 2 p.m. and last approximately one hour. Click [here](#) to register for any one of the four scheduled roundtables.

The roundtable is eligible for one LEU for Indiana library staff holding a standard five-year certification. Please note that up to 10 LEUs per five-year certificate period may be earned for attending professional roundtable meetings. LEUs can only be earned for attending a roundtable live.

Please contact [Paula Newcom](#), Northeast regional coordinator at the Indiana State Library, with any questions.

Annual Reference Research Forum call for proposals deadline extended to Jan. 31



The Research and Statistics Committee of the Reference Services Section of the [Reference and User Services Association](#) invites submission of reference service research project proposals for presentation at "New Discoveries in Reference: The 28th Annual Reference Research Forum" at the 2022 American Library Association Annual Conference in Washington, D.C. Researchers and practitioners from all types of libraries, library school faculty and students and other interested individuals are encouraged to submit a proposal.

[Curating and Maintaining Vibrant Collections for Users with Print Disabilities](#)

When: March 17, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[What's Up Wednesday: Effective Staff Development on Any Budget](#)

When: April 27, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar



Welcome to the Government Information Minute. Every other week, government information librarians at the Indiana State Library cover current resources on governmental data at the state, national and international levels, all to keep the public well-informed. Follow the Indiana State Data Center on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) and feel free to leave comments and suggestions.

Indiana GovInfo



Indiana's professional government information librarians' organization, INDIGO, recently launched a [new website](#) aimed to promote government information resources and literacy. INDIGO's new website includes recorded webinars, publications, links to online

[Cataloger \(part-time\)](#)

Westchester Public Library

Those who would like an Indiana library job posting to be listed in the Wednesday Word should submit the position and its description to the Indiana State Library. Click [here](#) for submission guidelines and to submit.

In the news

[Residents learn details of Allen County Public Library's proposed facility renovations](#)

Allen County Public Library

[New Carlisle Library receives national recognition](#)

New Carlisle-Olive Township Public Library

[Library remodeling to improve children's room](#)

Shelby County Public Library

[Photographic art by River City January Artist of the Month in Vigo library](#)

Vigo County Public Library

Is your library making news?

[Email](#) news links for inclusion in the Wednesday Word's "In the news" section.

To be featured in the Wednesday Word, please [email](#) a press release and a photo.

The committee is particularly interested in research around serving diverse patrons.

Criteria for selection includes originality, quality and impact. In respective order, this entails potential for research to fill a gap in reference knowledge or to build on previous studies; research design and methodologies; and significance of the study for improving the quality of reference service. Research projects may be in-progress or completed. Previously published research or research accepted for publication will not be accepted.

Two-page proposals, in the form of a Word document, are due by Monday, Jan. 31. Notification of acceptance will be made by Monday, Feb. 28.

Page one, the contact information page, should include the primary contact's name, title, institutional affiliation, mailing address and email address. Additional research team members should also be noted in the appropriate field. Page two, the research description page, should include the title of the project; explicit statement of the research problem; description of the research design and methodologies; findings or results if available; and a brief discussion of the originality, unique contribution, potential impact and significance of the research.

Research descriptions that exceed the 250 word limit will be automatically rejected. The research description must not include any personally identifiable information. For examples of projects presented at past forums, please see the [Committee's website](#).

Questions about the forum should be directed to committee chair [Meg Galasso](#).

resources and upcoming events and a blog.

INDIGO is an association whose members are library professionals interested in government information. The organization contributes to the extension and improvement of education and training of government information librarians. Indiana GovInfo will centralize the various works of INDIGO members who frequently work to improve government information literacy.

Individuals interested in government information are encouraged to join or attend a meeting. INDIGO hosts two meetings a year - during the spring and fall - and co-sponsors the biennial Government Information Day conferences with the Indiana State Library. The next INDIGO meeting will be held virtually on June 9. Government Information Day 2022 will be held on Friday, May 20 at the Indiana State Library.

'Water/Ways' exhibition opens at Jefferson County Public Library



On Saturday, Jan. 8, the Jefferson County Public Library opened its doors to the public to experience "Water/Ways," a traveling Smithsonian exhibition. The exhibit will be housed in the auditorium of the main library until Feb. 20.

The Smithsonian's "Water/Ways" exhibition dives into water - an essential component of life on the



State Library blog



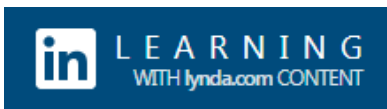
Follow the [Indiana State Library's blog](#) for weekly posts covering all aspects of the State Library.

Indiana library employees who would like to contribute a guest blog, please send an [email](#) with an idea.

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Back issues of the Wednesday Word are available [here](#).

Free training for librarians and library employees on LinkedIn Learning



Wild Wisconsin Winter Web Conference to take place next week



The Nicolet Federated Library System's [Wild Wisconsin Winter Web Conference](#) is set to take place virtually on Jan. 26-27. The goal of this free conference is to provide high-quality web programs to public librarians during the month of January.

Over the course of two days, 14 sessions will be presented. "Food in the Library: Reading and Feeding the Community" will be presented by Julie Elmore, director of the Oakland City - Columbia Township Public Library, on Thursday at 9 a.m. Central Time. Click [here](#) to see all presentations and times and to register for each session on Wednesday and click [here](#) to register for each session on Thursday.

The Wild Wisconsin Winter Web Conference is on the [Indiana State Library's approved training providers list](#). The Nicolet Federated Library System has blanket approval for LEUs, making this conference eligible for LEUs for Indiana library staff. To document LEUs for a virtual conference or webinar - live or archived - presented by an approved provider and viewed online, follow the Indiana State Library's policy on LEUs for virtual conferences and live and archived webinars outlined [here](#).

planet, environmentally, culturally and historically. "Water/Ways" is part of Museum on Main Street, a collaboration between the Smithsonian Institution and state humanities councils nationwide.

The exhibit explores the endless motion of the water cycle, water's effect on landscape, settlement and migration and its impact on culture and spirituality. It looks at how political and economic planning have long been affected by access to water and control of water resources, and how human creativity and resourcefulness provide new ways of protecting water resources and renewing respect for the natural environment. Designed for small-town museums, libraries and cultural organizations, "Water/Ways" serves as a community meeting place to hold conversations about water's impact on American culture.

"We are thrilled to host the 'Water/Ways' exhibit! Months of preparation and hard work by library staff, particularly programming coordinator Ann Inman, have made opening day possible," said library director Judi Terpening. "We hope that every visitor will enjoy the experience."

The exhibit will be open every day, including Sundays, until Feb. 20. The library is located at 420 W. Main St. in Madison.

The program is sponsored in part by the Indiana Humanities' "Water/Ways" program, with support from the Smithsonian Museum, Museum on Main Street, Indiana American Water and Discover Indiana.

Click [here](#) to read more about the exhibit and additional programming.

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