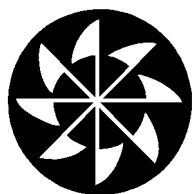


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NMLA IN FARMINGTON

The New Mexico Library Association will hold its annual conference in Farmington this year, April 20-21. Highlights of this year's conference include pre- and post-conference workshops, a lively and fresh mix of sessions presented by leaders from both the New Mexico and national library communities with something for everyone, special events, storytelling, tours, and exhibits. The annual conference is more than inspiring and informative programming. It's also a wonderful way to make connections with colleagues while enjoying special activities. You'll have numerous opportunities for networking and having fun in Farmington.

Highlights include pre- and post-conference workshops sponsored by the Farmington Public Library with engaging sessions to feature extended programming on youth services, book arts, the challenges of change, and "library as place." Come early – or stay on – to take advantage of these timely and unique offerings. Pre-conference sessions are scheduled for April 19; post-conference workshops will be on April 22.

The NMLA New Members and NM Library Foundation Reception will be on Wednesday evening, April 19, at Gateway Museum. This event is open to all conference attendees and supporters, and affords a great chance to meet new association members. You'll be able to learn more about the important work of the Foundation. The reception will feature a wine tasting by Wines of the San Juan.

The Awards Dinner will be on Thursday evening at San Juan College. Celebrate the accomplishments of peers and New Mexico's libraries at this annual occasion. An Info Fair and social hour will afford everyone a chance to mix prior to the dinner.

The Youth Literature Luncheon will be held on

Friday at the historic Totah Theatre in downtown Farmington. The luncheon is one of NMLA's most popular conference events. This year's delightful setting will be the backdrop for speaker Kimberly Griffiths Little, author of The Last Snake Runner. The Last Snake Runner was on last year's Land of Enchantment YA list.

The All-Conference Reception and Storytelling Evening is on Friday evening at Sandstone (Lion's Wilderness Park Amphitheatre). The reception will feature a beer tasting hosted by Three Rivers Brewery, with the main event featuring performances by renowned storytelling talents, including Joe Hayes. Thanks to the sponsorship of Farmington Public Library, this evening will be a great way to wind down your time at the conference.

There will be library tours ongoing throughout the conference to visit the new, innovative and updated library facilities of Farmington Public Library and the surrounding area, and on Saturday there will be options to take petroglyph and trading post tours for exploring the Four Corners area before you head home.

Exhibitors will be on hand, available to talk with you at the Farmington Civic Center throughout the day on Thursday and Friday.

For more information, visit the NMLA web site at <http://www.nmla.org>.

BRIEFINGS

NM historical markers on the Web. Librarians, citizens, and New Mexico visitors may like to know that New Mexico's historic markers not only dot the state's roadways, but are also on the Information Super Highway. From the footprints of giant dinosaurs to the ruins of ancient Indian villages, to the campsites of Spanish conquistadores, history is everywhere in New Mexico.

The Hitchhiker is available upon request on computer disc, cassette tape, in braille, or in large print. It may also be seen on the State Library WEB site: <http://www.stlib.state.nm.us>.

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The New Mexico Tourism Department (NMTD) and the New Mexico Department of Cultural Affairs – along with *New Mexico Magazine* and the New Mexico Historic Preservation Division – have joined forces to bring one of the nation’s oldest, largest, and most colorful roadside Historic Marker programs onto your computer. Before climbing in the car and setting out in search of the large brown historic markers along the highways, you can find check them out online at <http://historic-markers.newmexico.org>. The web site also offers “Moments of Enchantment” audio clips; past articles from *New Mexico Magazine*; suggested travel routes; and information on nearby museums, parks, monuments, historic buildings, and natural landmarks.

The searchable database offers both the location and text for more than 300 roadside markers statewide, and more are being added to the website almost daily. Not only are the events, structures, and accomplishments memorialized by the markers historic, but so is the program itself. Now 70 years old, the new website adds relevance to the familiar brown signs that first began to appear along New Mexico’s roads in the 1930s.

“The idea is to give latter-day travelers the opportunity to discover online destinations both nearby and faraway before getting behind the wheel,” said Katherine Slick, director of the State Historic Preservation Division. “What we have here is a trip-planning tool better than any road map.” Director Slick came up with the idea of using the markers on a Web site as a travel guide to heritage tourism destinations.

“These signs showcased New Mexico’s culture and history in a time when motorists drove slower, stopped more frequently and read the summaries of events, regions, and achievements associated with the site being marked,” said Stuart Ashman, Secretary of the Department of Cultural Affairs. “Going electronic with the program gives the markers new relevance as they become the foundation of an online encyclopedia of New Mexico cultural resources.”

Much of the credit for the project goes State Rep. Luciano “Lucky” Varella of Santa Fe, who earmarked that part of his \$1.5 million special appropriation to NMTD in FY05-06, signed by Gov. Bill Richardson, be used to help increase the visibility of the state’s historic markers through partnerships between state agencies.

New markers appear on roadsides each year in a

partnership between the Historic Preservation Division, State Records and Archives, and the State Department of Transportation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NM on the webcast. Professor Charlie Seavey, University of Missouri-Columbia, invited Laurie Canepa, Federal Documents Librarian at the New Mexico State Library, and Barbara Rehkop, Documents Librarian at Washington University in St. Louis, to join him on his webcast, “Government Information at the Crossroads.” They were asked to talk about their own Federal Documents collections, and speculate about the present and future of federal government information. The webcast can be heard on the *LiS Webcast: First Tuesday Series* for February 7, 2006, at <http://www.lisradio.missouri.edu/archive.php>.

Serials workshop. Pannell Library at New Mexico Junior College will host a unique two-day serials training opportunity on April 10 – 11: “SCCTP Serial Holdings Workshop.”

This course provides the basic principles of creating holdings records and publication patterns with a focus on serials. All materials are based on the *MARC 21 Format for Holdings Data* (MFHD) and *ANSI/NISO Z39.71--1999*. The course includes background information on why holdings are important and a brief description of the development of the standards, instructions, and exercises on creating formatted and free-text holdings and publication patterns. The instructions and exercises are system-neutral but the course includes time for discussion of local system implementation and system-specific information on how the format is used in local systems.

The course is designed for those who are new to the MARC Holdings Format, including those who have created holdings records using other mechanisms (e.g., OCLC’s local data record). It is designed primarily for those who will create holdings records but is also useful for managers and system designers wishing to know more about the format and its uses.

Class size is limited so register early. Go to the Pannell Library at <http://www.nmjc.edu/library> and click on the workshop link for more information.



There are three recently completed hotels within one block of campus. Adjacent to the campus is New Mexico's newest racetrack and casino, Zia Park/Black Gold Casino. Additionally, New Mexico Junior College is home to the brand new, architecturally distinctive, Western Heritage Museum and Lea County Cowboy Hall of Fame.

JOBS

Cataloger. The City Of Albuquerque has an opening for Librarian in the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Public Library System (job code: 7D05AA – this is a union position) at grade M15 with a starting salary of \$1,383.20 and midrange \$1,681.60 bi-weekly. The cataloger in this position performs a wide variety of professional library work within an assigned area of library operations including acquiring, cataloging, and circulating material for a specific function of the library; provides a wide variety of public services to library patrons including reference services, circulation and research activities; maintains library collection including the cataloging of books, films, records, and other materials; and participates in various special programs including children's programs, youth programs, or library educational programs. Requires a Master's degree with major course work in Library or Information Science or a related field from an American Library Association (ALA) certified institution, plus two years of library experience. Preferred knowledge of cataloging and creation of original bibliographic record of book titles; The incumbent must know how to review and correct cataloged materials from other branches before distribution; conduct bibliographic searches; match bibliographic records to existing titles; copy catalog and edit bibliographic record to verify accurate information; input data into library computer systems; make corrections, add or delete entries on bibliographic records, author, and subject entries; practices and techniques of library material classification and cataloging; communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in

writing; and establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work. Position requires a background check. To apply all applicants must submit, by expiration date, a City Application. Résumés will not be accepted in lieu of the application. An on-line application can be found at the City of Albuquerque's website at <http://www.cabq.gov/jobs>. Applications are also available at the City of Albuquerque Human Resources Department, 400 Marquette NW, 7th Floor Suite 703, Albuquerque NM 87103. Copies of required certifications, registrations, and/or licenses, if not attached on-line, must be provided at the time of interview. Additionally, if requesting acceptance of post secondary courses/degrees, a copy of your transcript is required at the time of the interview. Failure to complete the application in its entirety will result in disqualification. Your qualifications for this position will be determined on the basis of the information presented in your City application. The position closes on February 17. An Equal Opportunity/Reasonable Accommodation Employer.

Librarian. The University of New Mexico Libraries has an opening (JR# 5976) for a Library Resident in Research and Instruction Services. This is a full-time, 12-month faculty position. The desired start date is July 1, 2006. The faculty rank will be Lecturer III, visiting status. This position may be extended by the University Libraries for up to one additional year subject to program needs, library budget, and job performance. The annual salary is \$40,000. This post-MLS residency is designed for recent graduates of ALA accredited library and information science programs. Prior professional experience is not expected. The resident will participate in an extensive orientation program that provides the opportunity to develop expertise in all aspects of an academic research library including research and instruction services, public and technical services, library administration, special collections, library research programs, and library technology. Residents will participate in faculty governance as detailed in the UNM Faculty Handbook. Minimum qualifications are a Master's

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degree from an ALA-accredited Library/Information Science program obtained between December 1, 2004 and July 1, 2006; experience working with culturally diverse populations; coursework in public services, library instruction, or electronic resources; interest in and/or experience with library public services, information literacy, or outreach activities. Preferred qualifications include library instruction or teaching experience; reference or library information desk experience; coursework in technical services, organization of information, or cataloging; interest in and/or experience with library technical services, acquisitions, or cataloging; demonstrated motivation to learn new technologies such as working in a Windows-based environment, especially productivity software, communication packages, or Web page development; demonstrated problem solving experience; excellent oral and written communication and interpersonal skills. Primary duties will be to provide public service with emphasis on general reference and instruction; participation in collection development, the development of web-based services, e.g. subject pages, finding guides, and online tutorials and other liaison activities as assigned; participation in library technology problem solving, discussions, and applications; participation in collection development or technical services activities, as appropriate; to assist with outreach programs and/or in our research programs: DILARES (Division of Ibero and Latin American Resources/Services), INLP (Indigenous Nations Library Program), CHLP (Chicano, Hispano, Latino Library Program) as appropriate; and participation in faculty governance meetings, as appropriate, and in library management meetings, as required. Required application materials include a résumé, names and contact information of three references, signed letter of interest addressing the minimum and preferred qualifications listed, and an unofficial copy of MLS transcript. Submit to Linda Skye (e-mail submission preferred: Lskye@unm.edu), University of New Mexico Libraries, MSC 05-3020, 1 University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM, 87131-0001; Fax (505) 277-7196. The search will remain open until the position is filled. For best consideration, applicants are encouraged to submit their materials no later than March 20.