

**NJLA Young Adult Meeting
Friday, December 14th, 2018
9:00 am Networking
9:30 am Business Meetings
10:30 am Teen Toolbox**

Hosting Library: Wyckoff Free Public Library

2017-2018 Executive Board:

Keisha Miller, President/ Teen Librarian and Volunteer Coordinator at South Orange Public Library

Maureen Langley, Youth Services Supervisor, North Plainfield Memorial Branch of the Somerset County Library System

Kate-Lynn Brown, Secretary/ Young Adult/ Programming Librarian at Cranford Public Library

Melissa Brinn, Member-at-Large/ Teen Librarian at Cherry Hill Public Library

Karen Jarzabski, Member-at-Large/ Young Adult Librarian at Highland Park Public Library

Attendants:

Keisha Miller

Maureen Langley

Kate-Lynn Brown

Melissa Brinn

Karen Jarzabski

Kate Senedzuuk

Caitlin Siciliano

Korine Stopsky

Emily Pepe

Danielle Fisher

Lauren Magielnicki

Akiema Buchanan

Kathryn Ennist

Sharon Rawlins

Melissa Tan

Tyne Runfeldt

Jessica Schnieder

Paiga Briglia

Jennifer Kelly-Maloney

Total in Attendance: 19

Welcome and Introductions

BCCLS Youth Services Committee Business Meeting

Updates from around the State

Children's Services Section

- Sharon Rawlins updated us that CSS has submitted 17 conference proposals

State Library

- See end of meeting notes for full update: including info on CSLP 2019 Video Challenge, YALSA grants, and more!
- Please join us in supporting our colleague Meghan England! She has published her first book, *The Disasters*, out 12/18/18. Touring Dates can be found at the end of the minutes.
- Library Link NJ: Please contact your legislators and ask them to support bill A-4815, which will provide the funds for LLNJ to remain fully functional through the end of this fiscal year. More information can be found here:
<http://librarylinknj.org/news/e-updates/save-librarylinknj>

News and Ongoing Business:

2nd Floor Youth Helpline

- Keisha wanted to bring to our attention this teen resource
- Specifically for people ages 10-24 in NJ
- The line is open 24/7 for calls AND texts at 888-222-2228
- They offer promotional and educational materials, including posters. Email volunteer coordinator at lisap@180nj.org.
- Website can be found here: <https://www.2ndfloor.org/>

Girls Who Code

- Please contact Eve Balick if you are interested in starting a Girls Who Code club at your library!
- Club are for grades 3-5 and grades 6-12.

Dollar General Literacy Grant

- Applications are due January 1st, 2019

2019 NJLA Conference, Engage and Inspire, May 29-31, 2019

Harrah's Conference Center, Atlantic City, NJ

- Conference proposals have been submitted! Thank you to everyone who submitted a proposal through YASS, and a very special thank you to our VP Maureen Langley.
- Proposals we have submitted (7 total):

- Teen Volunteer Triage
- Fairy Tales, Folk Tales, Myths, and Legends: What's New? (Reader's Advisory)
- From Alexander to DDay: How to Create a Middle Grade or YA Military History Book Club in Your Library (submitted by a Rutgers class through our section!)
- SnapChat in Libraries
- Welcoming Teenagers to the Library
- Supporting Teens Through Successful Community Partnerships
- Curriculum Standards 101 for Public Librarians: The Roadmap to Collaborations
- **Co-Sponsoring:** Social Workers in the Library (Urban Libraries); Programming on a Shoestring (Small Libraries); Promoting Book Awards (CSS)
- Garden State Teen Book Awards Luncheon (more info below)

Garden State Teen Book Awards

- Voting for the annual ballot ends Monday December 31st, 2018
- Luncheon--requests for guest speakers have been made to the following authors: Jacqueline Woodson; Kwame Alexander; Tiffany Jackson; and the Executive Director of National Book Foundation, Lisa Lucas.

Teen Toolbox

Mike Schloff, Maplewoodshop

- Maplewoodshop runs out of Maplewood, NJ. Website here: <https://www.maplewoodshop.com/>
- Mike trains groups to do woodworking and also offers one-off programs that he comes in and runs. Trained professionals would run their own programming, and also be provided with all the tools necessary.
- Wants to share the power of tactile experiences; kids will remember because they are doing something.
- Maplewoodshop takes the best aspects of shop classes, and makes them portable and safer.
- High tactile, low-tech activities
- Emily Witkowski of Maplewood is trained to do these activities. She shared a Powerpoint, presented by Keisha, of the different kinds of programs they have been able to do.
- Mike can be contacted through his website or emailed at mike@maplewoodshop.com

Sharon Rawlins, Youth Services Specialist, New Jersey State Library

- Sharon presented to us about Teen Services Competencies for all library staff, not just those who work with teens
- These guidelines are from YALSA
- Sharon's presentation and handouts are at the end of minutes.
- Ten Teen Services Competencies for Library Staff:
 - Teen Growth and Development
 - Interactions with Teens
 - Learning Environments
 - Learning Experiences
 - Youth Engagement and Leadership
 - Community and Family Engagement
 - Cultural Competencies and Responsiveness
 - Equity of Access
 - Outcomes and Assessment
 - Continuous Learning

Next Meeting: January 25, 2019, 9:30 am at the South Brunswick Public Library



NJSL Report for YASS Meeting, December 14, 2018

Submitted by Sharon Rawlins, Youth Services Specialist for Lifelong Learning, NJ State Library

CSLP Teen Video Challenge 2019

The Collaborative Summer Reading Program (CSLP) will be sponsoring the Teen Video Challenge (TVC) for 2019 but this year it will be a little different.

First, what will remain the same:

- The TVC invites teens to create and submit a PSA-type video promoting reading and library use to other teens.
- **Each video needs to include the teen/teen team's interpretation of the 2019 CSLP slogan, "A Universe of Stories," to correspond to the 2019 space theme.**
- Videos need to adhere to copyright law and be appropriate for all ages.

- Each of the 5 winning teens/teen teams will receive a \$200 cash prize and the winners' local public libraries will each receive a \$50 gift certificate from Upstart.

Now, for the changes:

· Instead of state winners, there will be 5 national winners (this means that teens will submit videos directly to the national judging panel without having to go through me as the State Rep).

- The program will accept submissions June 1-Aug 2, 2019, so that the program can be incorporated into summer programs (it is still a great opportunity to partner with schools with video production classes or clubs; students can produce the videos as a class project and submit them in June!).
- Videos will be up to 60 seconds long.
- Permission and model release forms will not be required until the finalists are selected, who will then need to supply the forms, completed correctly, to be able to win. The only form required upfront will be a simple online submission form.
- The TVC Ad-Hoc Committee will convene a judging panel from CSLP partners and members.
- Video uploads will not be limited to YouTube and Vimeo; rather, teens can upload their creations to the social media outlet of their choice.

These changes were crafted to make the contest simpler for you as teen services staff in public librarians to promote and administer, and simpler too for teens to enter. We hope these changes will boost interest and participation in the contest and make it more accessible for all involved.

An overview of the TVC is--for the first time!--in the CSLP Teen Manual (pages 33-35) as well. Look for more information on the CSLP website in early 2019.

Other Organizations & Events:

M.K. (Megan) England's Debut book **The Disasters**, HarperTeen, Publishing, Dec. 18, 2018.

Some of you may remember YA librarian Megan England who used to work at the Atlantic City Public Library.

Megan is book touring **in NJ, NY and PA in December:**

YA Author Panel & Signing (With Barry Lyga!)

Wednesday, December 19, 6–8pm

Books of Wonder, 18 West 18th Street, NYC, NY

Meet & Greet + Signing
Thursday, December 20, 12–8pm
Books-a-Million, Vineland, NJ

Q&A + Signing
Friday, December 21, 7–9pm
Books-a-Million, Mays Landing, NJ

Signing with Katherine Locke
Saturday, December 22, 2–4pm
Oxford Valley Barnes & Noble, Fairless Hills, PA (Bucks County)
(See attached flyer for more information)

YALSA 2018 Summer Learning Grants Now Available

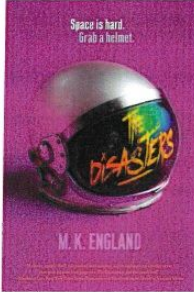
Through generous funding from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation, YALSA is excited to offer two types of grants, both worth \$1,000 each: a [Summer Learning Resources Grant](#) and a [Teen Summer Intern Program Grant](#). Twenty-five summer learning resources grants will be awarded to libraries in need and will allow them to provide resources and services to teens who are English language learners, struggling in school and/or who are from socio-economically challenged communities. Twenty-five teen summer intern program grants will be awarded to libraries to support the implementation of summer learning programs while also providing teens a chance to build hands-on job skills.

Eligibility requirements apply. To learn more about the grants and to apply, please visit our [Summer Learning website](#). Apply by **January 1, 2019**.

Meghan England's debut book and signing information

M.K. England's Debut book **The Disasters**, HarperTeen, Publishing, Dec. 18, 2018.

Some of you may remember YA librarian Megan England who used to work at the Atlantic City Public Library. She has written her first YA book called **THE DISASTERS** through HarperTeen and it is being released on Dec. 18th.



(This is not an endorsement for this book from me in my professional capacity at the State Library. I am just sharing this for informational purposes only)

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Oxford Valley Barnes & Noble, Fairless Hills, PA (Bucks County)

Megan shared with me:

"If anyone is kind enough to preorder a copy of the book, they can submit their receipt at mkenland.com/preordergifts to get some swag, including an enamel pin.

And if anyone is ordering copies for their library and wants bookmarks, they can send an email to mkenland.com@gmail.com with their library and address and I'll be happy to send them along!

I'm @geektasticlib on twitter and @m.k.England on instagram if anyone wants to keep in touch. I'm always thrilled to connect with former colleagues!

And, **more than anything**, if anyone has read and enjoyed the book, nothing helps more than a review on goodreads and, once the book releases, on amazon and bn.com.

I miss everyone dearly and hope I'll run into a few people at my northern tour stops!

Wishing you and the whole NJ library crew best holiday wishes. ☺"

Best,
Megan

M.K. England
Author of *The Disasters*
HarperTeen, 12/18/18

Professional trade reviews and blurbs have fortunately been glowingly positive, and they can be found at mkenland.com/writing along with the back cover copy and preorder links. It was #7 on the Winter IndieNext list! ★

"A clever, cosmic thrill ride packed with nonstop action and starring a motley crew that won me over from page one. *The Disasters* is just so much fun!"
—Mackenzi Lee, New York Times Bestselling author of *The Gentleman's Guide to Vice and Virtue*

"Wildly entertaining and crackling with chemistry. Nax and his crew will crash land in your heart and leave you filled with laughter and hope."
—Kerri Maniscalco, #1 New York Times Bestselling author of the *Stalking Jack the Ripper* series

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Sharon Rawlins' "Teen Competencies in a Nutshell" presentation slides

<p>TEEN COMPETENCIES: In a Nutshell</p>	<p>TEEN GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT Benchmarks</p>
<p>INTERACTIONS WITH TEENS Relationships Communication</p>	<p>LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS Groups & Individuals</p>



LEARNING EXPERIENCES

Personal & Academic



YOUTH ENGAGEMENT & LEADERSHIP

Partnerships



COMMUNITY & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Reciprocal Relationships



CULTURAL COMPETENCY & RESPONSIVENESS

Respect, Diversity, & Inclusivity



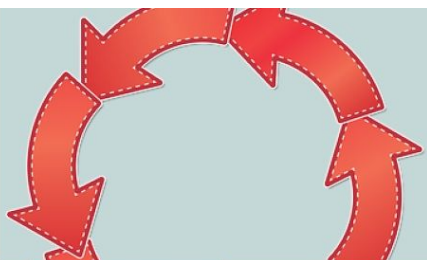
EQUITY OF ACCESS

Resources, Services, & Activities



OUTCOMES & ASSESSMENTS

Impact & Improvement



CONTINUOUS LEARNING

Ethical, Committed & Advocating

RESOURCES

- <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/guidelines/yacompetencies>
- http://www.ala.org/yalsa/sites/ala.org.yalsa/files/content/TEEN%20SERVICES%20COMPETENCIES_Chart.pdf
- http://www.ala.org/yalsa/sites/ala.org.yalsa/files/content/Teen%20Services%20Competencies_Snapshot.pdf
- <http://www.ala.org/yaforum/future-library-services-and-teens-project-report>
- <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/guidelines/research/researchagenda>
- <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/core-professional-values-teen-services-profession>
- <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/teen-programming-guidelines>
- http://www.ala.org/yalsa/onlinelearning/webinar/free_competencies_webinar
- <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/professionaltools>

Sharon Rawlins' "Teen Competencies: In a Nutshell" handout for staff

