



Young Adult Services Section (YASS) 2021-2022

ZOOM: Meeting September 17, 2021

Note: The Zoom meeting was not recorded.

9:45 am: Login & Introduction | 10 am: Business Meeting

Section Leadership:

Katie Salerno, President

Akeima Buchanan, Vice President

Maryjean Riou, Secretary

Elisabet Kennedy, Social Media Manager

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Kate-Lynn Brown, Past President

Attendance: Katie Salerno, Jenna Ingham, Maryjean Riou, Nancy, Vince, Teresa Carlton, Kaley Iacovetta, Danielle Pitter, Christine Jensen, Lisa Bruckman, Jen Apgar, Kate-Lynn Brown, Mike Bode, Pham Condello, Maureen Herman, Melissa Nemitz, Sharon Rawlins, Laura Curry, Akiema Buchanan, Carolyn Aversano, Elisabet Kennedy

YASS Business Meeting

NJSL Report for YASS Meeting, September 17, 2021- Submitted by Sharon Rawlins, Youth Services Specialist for Lifelong Learning, NJ State Library, srawlins@njstatelib.org

The 90-Second Newbery Award Film Festival

Challenge the youth up to age 18 that you work with to retell the plot of a Newbery Award winning book in just 90 seconds by creating their own videos! It's a great opportunity for a project to do with your TAB groups by combining literacy and the arts together in a project.

The State Library is sponsoring the 90 Second Film Festival and has invited author James Kennedy, the Festival's founder, to appear at the Film Festival on April 30, 2022 at 7 pm at the NJ State Museum's Auditorium in Trenton (located next to the NJ State Museum). In order to host this event, we need the young people to create fabulous films for the Festival so they, and their friends and family, can attend the in-person screening to show off their films. The deadline for students to create and submit the film to Mr. Kennedy is January 14, 2022.

Mr. Kennedy will be hosting a number of webinars to share more information about the



festival with you and (hopefully) the youth you work with. He'll be providing tips on how to create amazing 90 second videos of Newbery Award winning books. I'm in the process of scheduling these webinars and will share the dates when they're finalized. We hope to have a prerecorded webinar available to share with you with possible live Q&A for youth to talk with Mr. Kennedy.

If your library is interested in participating by encouraging the youth you work with make a film for this 90-Second Newbery Award Film Festival, please fill out this survey: <https://forms.gle/bgnLRHfaDXc2Yvkd7>

More information about the 90-Second Newbery Award Film Festival and how to submit a 90-second video can be found here: <https://90secondnewbery.com/>.

Emergency Grant Fund for Public Libraries Damaged in Recent Storms

The NJ State Library is saddened to hear of the devastation wrought on New Jersey's libraries by Tropical Storms Ida and Henri.

We have established a targeted Emergency Grant Fund to help libraries that were damaged by these storms or flood waters. An impacted library may request funds to mitigate the damage, replace materials or equipment, or support repairs. The grant amount will be determined once the number of impacted libraries is determined but expected to be in the \$10,000 - \$20,000 range. If your library was damaged and you are interested in the grant opportunity, please contact me for an application and instructions. Please respond with your interest and a brief description of the condition of your library no later than Monday September 20, 2021, 4pm. Once we know the number of libraries damaged, we will provide information to eligible libraries on the maximum grant size. In the meantime, please know that you are in our hearts and thoughts and let us know how we can provide support or guidance to you and your staff.

With my warm regards, Jen Nelson, State Librarian, jnelson@njstatelib.org

CSLP Updates

Reminder: Submit 2021 Summer Reading Program Statistics – Deadline Friday, September 17th

For any public library participating in the 2021 Collaborative Summer Library Program's (CSLP) summer reading program, here is the link to the survey to submit your statistics: <https://forms.gle/qPLPy8p1YKYzakKA8>. The deadline to submit your statistics is Friday, **September 17, 2021**. Please share this information with your colleagues.



Here is a link to the [questions](#) as a PDF so you can see them ahead of time. The survey link is also posted on the [NJ Summer Reading website](#).

The audience for the survey is public library staff who played an active role in administering or running 2021 summer library programming. Multiple library staff from the same library should complete the sections of the survey most relevant to their work; e.g. children, teen, or adult programs. They can submit them separately, or all together.

CSLP works with libraries to provide a reproducible program with a unified theme, create an inclusive literacy-based program that is enjoyable for all ages, and share resources and offer professional support. Your response to this survey ensures that we continue to receive a valuable product from CSLP. In addition, survey responses help state library staff support your library's needs. If you have any questions, just let me know.

CSLP Website & Access Code for Online 2022 Manuals

The website has just undergone a renovation and the 2022 manual is ready online. Here is the link for the access code for all NJ public libraries:

<https://www.njstatelib.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/2022-Online-Manual-Code-New-Jersey.pdf> Please don't share it with the public. The store has updated the products for 2022 and you can shop online now: <https://www.csllpreads.org/csllp-store/>

You will be getting a printed catalog as well – sometime in October through the statewide delivery service.

CSLP Committee Sign Ups – Open!

Consider joining a CSLP committee if you work in a public library! Sign-ups for 2022 are open until **October 8th**. While the duties vary, committee obligations generally run for one calendar year. All committee work is done virtually; either through email, or through phone or online meetings. Attending the CSLP Annual Meeting is not required. For more information, please visit: <https://www.csllpreads.org/join-a-csllp-committee/>

CSLP Soliciting Ideas for the 2023 Manual with the Theme for All Ages of Friendship & Kindness Until October 29, 2021

If you're a staff member in a NJ public library, the Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) welcomes your ideas and suggestions for the 2023 theme for the



summer program for all ages of *Friendship & Kindness!* The form is open to submit your program ideas for children, teens, and adults! CSLP's annual collaborative summer programming manual is created using the suggestions from public library staff like you. Submit your ideas here for the manual with theme of Friendship & Kindness:
<https://www.csllpreads.org/submit-a-programming-idea/>

Baker and Taylor E-book subscription funded by the CARES Act

The New Jersey State Library provided a one-year subscription to B&T Axis 360 e-books with funding from the federal CARES Act. Maria Baratta of the State Library Information Center and I were the adult and youth selectors respectively. However, this is not the end of the use of this collection. This collection will be hosted free of charge by B&T for three years (through October 14, 2023). Additionally, we tried, whenever possible, to select titles with perpetual use. If this was not available we tried to select two-year titles, so those should be available through October 14, 2022. Baker and Taylor may contact those libraries that took advantage of the collection to gauge interest in additional purchasing options.



Other Organization Resources/Grants/Events/Webinars

2021 Library of Congress National Book Festival, September 17th-26th

2021 Library of Congress National Book Festival poster designed by artist Dana Tanamachi



The theme for this year's Library of Congress virtual festival is "Open a Book, Open the World" and will feature live author conversations every day. On Sept. 17 at 10 a.m. ET, 35 video-on-demand programs will become available to watch anytime. This year's Festival also features interactive presentations with Library of Congress experts, a national television special and related events on PBS, NPR podcasts, and author interviews on Washington Post Live. Check out [Festival Near You](#) to discover related events from local organizations.

The book selected by the NJ Center for the Book for the 2021 National Book Festival's [Great Read from Great Places](#) is the middle grade book, *The Chance to Fly* by Ali Stroker and Stacy Davidowitz. Tony Award winning actress Ali Stroker and co-writer Stacy Davidowitz's has cowritten an inspiring story of a NJ theater-loving girl who uses a wheelchair for mobility who's determined to get a role in her town's production of *Wicked*.



The authors have recorded a video for the National Book Festival that will be available to view on September 17, 2021 at 11 am on the [Great Reads from Great Places website](#).



Families and kids! Check out these other suggestions for events to do from the [Teaching with the Library of Congress blog](#) during the 10-day virtual Festival.

All programs livestreaming from the National Book Festival website will be held Sept. 17-26, between noon and 8 p.m. ET on weekends and between 3 and 8 p.m. ET on weekdays. All live programs will include time at the end for audience Q&A. Only one program will livestream at any given time, meaning this year you won't need to make any tough choices on which program to attend! [Check out the schedule online](#) or [download a printable pdf](#) (PDF 895KB).

[YALSA YA Services Symposium- Early Bird Tuition Rate Extended through 9/30 for the YA Services Symposium](#)

YALSA is happy to announce that we will be extending the early bird tuition rate for both the in-person and virtual symposium through **Thursday, September 30th**. Take advantage of the best tuition pricing for both options. Register [here](#) today!

[Virtual Symposium Stipend Application Extended](#)

If you are interested in attending the YA Services Virtual Symposium there are 10 stipends available. Please complete [this form](#) by **Friday, September 24th**. YALSA will announce the recipients by September 30th.

[Group Pricing available for the Virtual Symposium](#)

Your team can't get away to join us in Reno. Register them with YALSA's group pricing to take advantage of super savings. See the [YALSA Virtual Registration Page](#) for more details.

[YALSA's Teens' Top Ten Vote is now open](#)

The Teens' Top Ten is a "teen choice" list, where teens nominate and choose their favorite books of the previous year! Nominators are members of teen book groups in fifteen school and public libraries around the country. Nominations are posted on the Thursday of [National Library Week](#), and teens across the country vote on their favorite



titles each year. **Teen readers ages twelve to eighteen can vote online between August 15 - October 15 here on the Teens' Top Ten site.** The winners will be announced the following week after. The annotated list of nominees is available here: <https://www.ala.org/yalsa/teenstopten>

Teens' Top Ten Book Groups

Applications for 2022-2023 Books Groups is now [open](#)

Learn more about how you can apply to participate in the Teens' Top Ten book groups [here](#).

Teens' Top Ten Title Suggestion Form: [Suggest a title for the Teens' Top Ten!](#)

Registration is Open for Virtual BookFest @ Bank Street on October 16, 2021

[Registration](#) for the virtual October 16, 2021 BookFest @ BankStreet with keynote by Jerry Craft is now open. The program has been shortened from previous years to be more Zoom friendly but the conversations are still going to be amazing!



<https://brooklynbookfestival.org/>

Carnegie-Whitney Awards up to \$5,000 for Guides to Library Resources

The American Library Association Publishing Committee provides a grant of up to \$5,000 for the preparation of print or electronic reading lists, indexes or other guides to library resources that promote reading or the use of library resources at any type of library. Funded projects have ranged from "A Resource Guide about Disabilities, Disability Theory, and Assistive Technologies" to "A Bibliography for Queer Teens" to "Graphic Novels & the Humanity of Mental Illness" to "Web Accessibility Resources for Libraries".



Applications must be received by November 5, 2021. Recipients will be notified by February 2022.

For more information and guidelines, visit

www.ala.org/offices/publishing/sundry/alapubawrds/... or contact Mary Jo Bolduc, Grant Administrator at mbolduc@ala.org.

Latinx Kidlit Festival, December 9-10, 2021

The Latinx Kidlit Book Festival is a virtual celebration of Latinx KidLit authors, illustrators, and books for all students, educators and book lovers everywhere being held for the second year. The festival will open its virtual doors from December 9-10, 2021, and present two free days of panels, craft sessions and illustrator draw-offs with your favorite Latinx authors and illustrators of picture books, middle grade, young adult, graphic novel, comic books and poetry. The sessions are geared towards ALL schools, educators, students and book lovers, not just those identifying as Latinx. Everyone is welcome! Students are encouraged to send questions to panelist and will be entered into a giveaway for classroom sets of books. Here's the [schedule](#) if you want to see the who's participating.

Here is a [link to their social media graphics](#) for the festival that are targeting educators.

Here is a [link to their posters](#) that can be shared and printed out.

NJ Talking Book and Braille Center: (Jen Apgar) Back in the building and shipping out materials. Promotion of change in certifying authority, any qualifying certifying authority can sign off, including reading specialists. Completion of Summer Reading, program conducted entirely via email.



NJLA Executive Board: Meeting Tuesday 9/22

Children's Services Section (CSS): First meeting for 2021-2022 is next Friday, September 24th. We do have an officer stepping down, Leala Arnold as a member-at-large. Theresa Carlton filled it for her.

NJASL: 12/5-7 in-person conference at Hard Rock in AC. Registration is open. Keynote speaker is Ibi Zoboi. Focus on getting certified school media specialists in all NJ schools.

Library Consortiums and Systems: (LMXac, BCCLS, ect):.

YASS Business, Important Information, and Reminders

GSTBA: (Emily Mazzoni) We have about 100 votes each for this year's 9-12 fiction and 6-12 nonfiction, and over 300 votes for 6-8 fiction. Please continue to promote the voting to your teens! Paper ballots and links can be found at <http://njlamembers.org/content/voting-information-ballots>.

If you are interested in reading and reviewing for GSTBA, please email Emily. emazzoni@monroetwplibrary.org The more readers, the better. Reader assignments will go out in early October.

NJLA Conference: In-person June 1-3, 2022, Atlantic City, conference proposal forms will go live Thursday 9/23, 10AM. Proposal planning orientation is on Thursday

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwocuCoqzkrGtdFxFxSot70y2Vk95VOwvQIRI>

9/23, registration required.

Social Media: please submit posts that you'd like to be shared via the YASS account to Elisabet Kennedy, elisaparedes15@gmail.com. YASS specific logo?

Jenna Ingham and Kaley Iacovetta: "Serving LGBTQ+ Youth" 10/12 10-11AM

LibraryLinkNJ, LibraryLinkNJ Information Equity Conference 10/25 LGBTQ+ round table Register here (Must be a Library Link NJ member):

<https://librarylinknj.org/content/out-and-between-supporting-representing-lgbtq-teens-libraries>

9/28 6-7PM SC&I Alumni Association and Beta Phi Mu, Omicron Chapter discussion panel on diversity, equity, and inclusion in libraries.

Register

here: <https://web.cvent.com/event/c5c29d7b-db32-41ad-889b-28edebad18bb/summary>

SCLSNJ: Dear Evan Hansen virtual program with two Broadway stars, 10/28, teen program

TeenTober: Christine Jansen, Alvin Ailey virtual dance program. HCLS stop-motion animation contest, Halloween costume contest and party, horror book club



NJMD: Registration begins 9/22 <https://njmakersday.org/>

Check In: Talk It Out program, monthly program to de-stress and check in with teens (PPL). In-person vs. virtual programming. Crafternoon program with a check in questionnaire to help start a conversation. Ideas for building a Teen Community, build up a strong TAB group (start with an icebreaker, written out ideas to share, make a decoration for the library as a warm up), volunteer opportunities

Collingswood Book Festival: TBBC will be doing outreach, free event, outdoors. October 2 10-4PM

Princeton Book Festival: 9/25 11AM, virtual

New York Comic Con: free librarian day, Thursday October 7

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/join?meetingref=ZwocuCoqzkrGtdFxSot70y2Vk95VOwvQIRI>

Next Meeting: October 15, 9:45 AM. Joint meeting with College and University Section.

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