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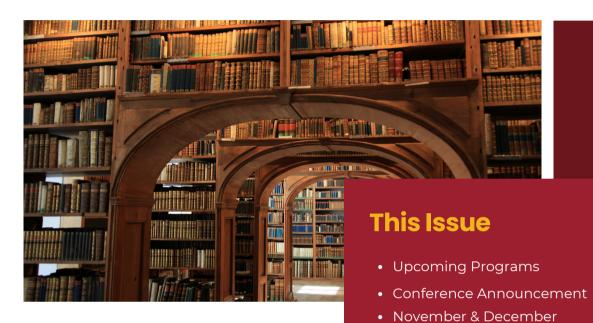
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT DIVISION PRESENTS:
Psychologically Safe Leadership

**Thursday, February 20, 2025 |
2:30pm - 3:30pm**
Online Via Zoom.
Register on mdlib.org.

Workplace safety is more than just physically ensuring the well-being of your staff. A psychologically safe leader looks to "prevent psychological harm, promote psychological health of workers, and address problems related to psychological health and safety."

Bringing this process to Maryland Libraries is not easy. By defining a psychologically safe leader and identifying the harmful myths preventing psychological safety, all library leaders can learn to build a healthier workplace.

This will put us in a safer position to better promote mental health within our library community.

All levels of library leadership can benefit from developing this competency and contributing to a future of psychologically safe workplaces.

Program Pricing:
Members: $12.50
Non-members: $18.75
Student, Retired, Unemployed, or Friend: $6.25

OUTREACH SERVICES INTEREST GROUP PRESENTS:
Interested in Learning More About Canva?

Wednesday, November 13, 2024 | 2:00 p.m.
Online Via Zoom*
Meeting ID: 577 017 8916

The Canva Standards Training equips teams with the skills to create consistent, on-brand content using Canva's intuitive platform. Participants will learn how to establish brand kits with pre-set colors, fonts, and logos to ensure all designs reflect the organization's identity. The training also covers template creation, enabling teams to design reusable layouts that simplify content production while maintaining visual quality.

By understanding Canva's collaborative tools, participants can streamline workflows, reduce design errors, and increase productivity. Whether for social media, presentations, or print materials, this training empowers teams to confidently use Canva to produce professional, cohesive designs that engage audiences.

Sherri Valitchka specializes in helping teams create seamless design experiences.

MLA | DLA Annual Conference

May 7-9, 2025
Ocean City, Maryland

Program selection is underway! The conference committee is in the process of accepting program proposals. With the theme and current events in mind, the committee is focused on selecting sessions that will be informative, educational, and entertaining for conference attendees. More updates to come soon!

Want to be included in planning for the Conference?
Reach out to the 2025 Conference Chair, Chelsea Shockley at:
cshockle@prattlibrary.org.

Division, Interest Group, Panel, Caucus, and Committee Meetings

NOVEMBER

4 **Youth Services Division | 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**
Online via Blackboard.
Contact Karen Earp at
kearp@wicomico.org

Future of Libraries Interest Group | 10:00 a.m.
Online via Zoom.
Contact Tracy Miller at
millert@hcplonline.org

6 **BCMLA | 1:00 p.m.**
Online via Zoom.
Contact Genive Purchase at
g.purchase@prattlibrary.org

13 **Materials Interest Group | 3:00 p.m.**
Online via Zoom.
Contact aura Bandoch at
bandoch@hcplonline.org

14 **Leadership Development Division | 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
Online via Zoom.
Contact Matthew Lowder at
mlowder@cecilcountylibrary.org

20 **Conference Committee | 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
Online via Zoom.
Contact Chelsea Shockley at
cshockle@prattlibrary.org

Executive Board and Advisory Council | 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Online via Zoom.
Contact Josh Stone at:
mlaexec@mdlib.org

21 **Equity Diversity and Inclusion Panel | 11:00 a.m.**
Contact Conni Strittmatter at
cstrittmatter@bcpl.net

25 **LGBTQ+ Interest Group | 2:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.**
Online via MLA Connect.
Contact Kelly Clark at
kelly.clark@hclibrary.org

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DECEMBER

2 **Future of Libraries Interest Group | 10:00 a.m.**
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Contact Tracy Miller at
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4 **BCMLA | 1:00 p.m.**
Online via Zoom.
Contact Genive Purchase at
gpurchase@prattlibrary.org

Intellectual Freedom Panel | 2:00 p.m.
Online via Google Meet.
Contact Lloyd Jansen at
ljansen@ccplonline.org

5 **Sustainability Interest Group | 10:00 a.m.**
Online via Zoom.
Contact Tracy Miller at
millert@hcplonline.org

9 **Youth Services Division | 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**
Online via Blackboard.
Contact Karen Earp at
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12 **Adult Services and Reference Division | 9:30 a.m.**
Online via Zoom.
Contact Pam Taylor at
taylor@hcplonline.org

18 **Equity Diversity and Inclusion Panel | 11:00 a.m.**
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