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# THE HAPPENINGS



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## READERS ADVISORY INTEREST GROUP PRESENTS

### READ INDIGENOUS STORIES ALL YEAR ROUND

Thursday August 22, 2024, 2:00pm-3:00pm

Online Via Zoom\*

Members: \$12.50 Non-members: \$18.75

Student|Retired|Unemployed|Friend: \$6.25

Why wait until November to learn about Native American authors? Join members of the Readers' Advisory Interest Group for a presentation on the history and current state of Indigenous literature on our continent. The presenters will recommend engaging titles to suggest to your customers.

Registration deadline is August 20, 2024

Register here: [https://www.mdlib.org/ev\\_calendar\\_day.asp?date=8%2F22%2F24&eventid=214](https://www.mdlib.org/ev_calendar_day.asp?date=8%2F22%2F24&eventid=214)

\*Zoom link will be sent on 08/20/24.

# YOUTH SERVICES DIVISION PRESENTS

## BLACK-EYED SUSAN TAPESTRY 2024 - THE FALL

### EDITION

Tuesday October 22, 2024, 9:30am-1:30pm

Online Via Zoom\*

Members: \$25.00 Non-members: \$37.50

Student|Retired|Unemployed|Friend: \$12.50

Love talking about books? Join us for BEST 2024–The Spring Edition, a celebration of Children’s and Teen Fiction. Learn about the Black-Eyed Susan Award and participate, via Zoom, in a half day of small group discussions of some of the 2023-2024 Juvenile and Teen Fiction nominees. Program check-in begins at 9:25am, and the program will start at 9:30am. There will be two discussion groups, meeting twice, so you can attend both sessions. Please read all the titles for each group.

Kerilynn Wilson, author/illustrator of *The Faint of Heart*, will be our keynote speaker.



#### Group 1 Grades 3-5

- Chantler, Scott—*Squire and Knight*
- Fairbairn, Nathan (Illustrated by Assarasakorn, Michele)—*Paws: Gabby Gets it Together*
- Gravel, Elise--*Killer Underwear Invasion: How to Spot Fake News, Disinformation & Lies*
- Le, Minh (illustrated by Chau, Chan)—*Enlighten Me*
- Loux, Matthew—*Prunella and the Cursed Skull Ring*

#### Group 2 Grades 6-12

- Crilley, Mark—*Lost in Taiwan*
- Krosoczka, Jared—*Sunshine: How One Camp Taught Me about Life, Death, and Hope*
- Muniz, Deya—*The Princess and the Grilled Cheese Sandwich*

## ... CONTINUED

- Wilson, Kerilynn–The Faint of Heart
- Wilson, Misty (illustrated by Wilson, David)–Play Like a Girl: A Graphic Memoir

This program has been approved for 8.5 contact hours of continuing education for attendees. Facilitators will receive 12 contact hours! If you would like to be a facilitator, or if you have any other questions, please contact [Noel Knepper](#) and/or [Joe Farmarco](#).

Registration deadline is October 8, 2024

Register here: [https://www.mdlib.org/ev\\_calendar\\_day.asp?date=10%2F22%2F24&eventid=216](https://www.mdlib.org/ev_calendar_day.asp?date=10%2F22%2F24&eventid=216)

\*Zoom link will be sent on 10/20/24.

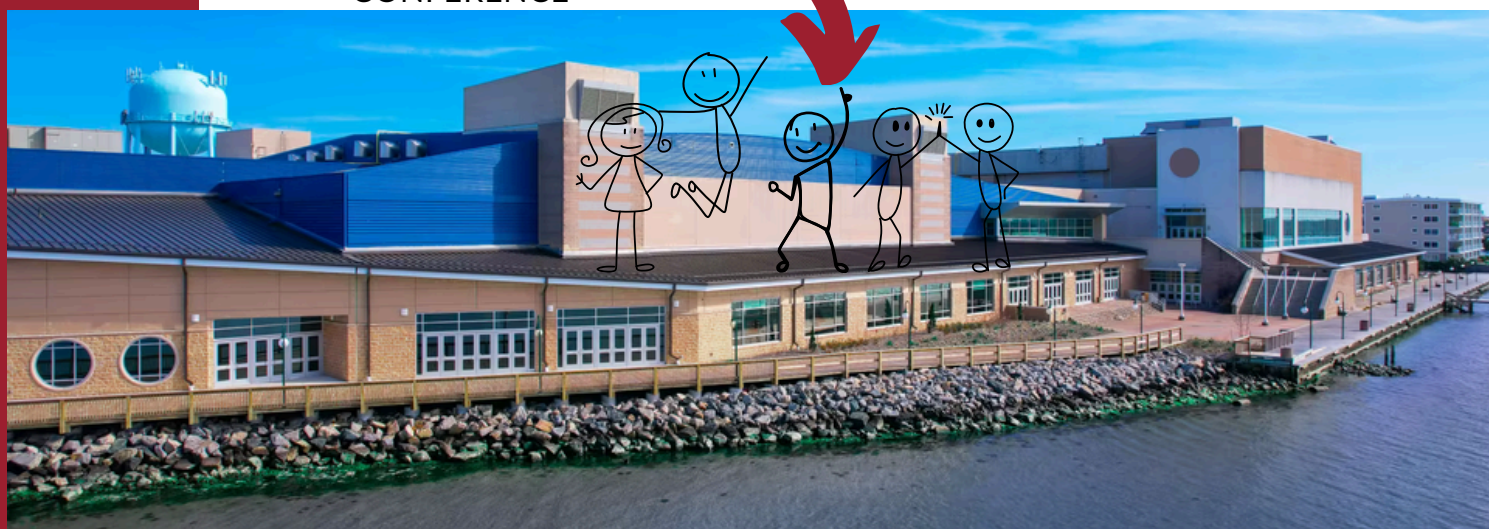
# MLA|DLA ANNUAL CONFERENCE MAY 7-9, 2025, OCEAN CITY, MD

The 2025 MLA|DLA Conference planning is underway!

Lead by the 2025 conference chair and co-chair, Chelsea Shockley and Paula Mitchell, the Conference Committee met on July 17th for the first 2025 MLA|DLA Conference planning session. The committee discussed and decided on a timeline for conference planning in order to ensure our first year back in Ocean City is a success! Potential themes and keynote speakers were also discussed.

If you wish to join the fun in planning 2025's conference, reach out to Chelsea Shockley at [cshockle@prattlibrary.org](mailto:cshockle@prattlibrary.org).

YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS AT THE  
2025 MLA|DLA ANNUAL  
CONFERENCE



# DIVISION, INTEREST GROUP, PANEL, CAUCUS, AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

## August

- 1** - Support Staff Division Meeting, 1:30pm. Exploration Commons, Westminster. Contact Lou Sica at [lsica@bcpl.net](mailto:lsica@bcpl.net)
- 5** - Future of Libraries Interest Group Meeting, 10:00am. Online via Zoom. Contact Tracy Miller at [millert@hcplonline.org](mailto:millert@hcplonline.org)
- 7** - BCMLA Meeting, 1:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Genive Purchase at [gpurchase@prattlibrary.org](mailto:gpurchase@prattlibrary.org)
- 7** - Intellectual Freedom Panel Meeting, 2:00pm. Online via Google Meet. Contact Lloyd Jansen at [ljansen@ccplonline.org](mailto:ljansen@ccplonline.org)
- 12** - Youth Service Division Meeting, 10:00am-12:30pm. Online via Blackboard. Contact Karen Earp at [kearp@wicomico.org](mailto:kearp@wicomico.org)
- 15** - Equity Diversity and Inclusion Panel Meeting, 11:00am. Contact Conni Strittmatter at [cstrittmatter@bcpl.net](mailto:cstrittmatter@bcpl.net)
- 21** - Conference Committee, 10:00am-12:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Chelsea Shockley at [cshockle@prattlibrary.org](mailto:cshockle@prattlibrary.org)
- 21** - Steering Committee Meeting, 1:00pm-3:00pm, Online via Zoom. Contact Josh Stone at: [miaexec@mdlib.org](mailto:miaexec@mdlib.org).
- 22** - Emerging Adults Interest Group Meeting, 3:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Stephanie Wiant at [swiant29@gmail.com](mailto:swiant29@gmail.com)
- 26** - LGBTQ+ Meeting, 2:00pm-3:15pm. Online via MLA Connect. Contact Kelly Clark at [Kelly.clark@hclibrary.org](mailto:Kelly.clark@hclibrary.org)
- 29** - Marketing Meeting, 10am-11am. Online via Zoom. Contact Amy Miller-Meyers at: [amymill@carr.org](mailto:amymill@carr.org)

## September

- 2** - Labor Day, MLA office closed.
- 4** - BCMLA Meeting, 1:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Genive Purchase at [gpurchase@prattlibrary.org](mailto:gpurchase@prattlibrary.org)

- 9** - Youth Service Division Meeting, 10:00am-12:30pm. Online via Blackboard. Contact Karen Earp at [kearp@wicomico.org](mailto:kearp@wicomico.org).
- 11** - Materials Interest Group Meeting, 3:00pm-4:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Laura Bandoch at [bandoch@hcplonline.org](mailto:bandoch@hcplonline.org).
- 12** - Leadership Development Division Meeting, 1:30pm-3:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Matthew Lowder at [mlowder@cecilcountylibrary.org](mailto:mlowder@cecilcountylibrary.org).
- 12** - Adult Services and Reference Division Meeting, 9:30am. Online via Zoom. Contact Melissa Lauber at [mлаuber@ccplonline.org](mailto:mлаuber@ccplonline.org).
- 18** - Conference Committee, 10:00am-12:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Chelsea Shockley at [cshockle@prattlibrary.org](mailto:cshockle@prattlibrary.org).
- 18** - Executive Board and Advisory Council Meeting, 1:00pm-3:00pm, Online via Zoom. Contact Josh Stone at: [mлаexec@mdlib.org](mailto:mлаexec@mdlib.org).
- 19** - Equity Diversity and Inclusion Panel Meeting, 11:00am. Contact Conni Strittmatter at [cstrittmatter@bcpl.net](mailto:cstrittmatter@bcpl.net).
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# REMINDERS:

DID YOU MISS THESE MLA UPDATES?

**Updates to MLA Divisions**

Starting July 1st, there will be **two** MLA Division **name changes**:

Children's Services Division	is becoming	Youth Services Division
Public Services Division	is becoming	Adult Services and Reference Division

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