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THIS ISSUE

- *Upcoming programs*
- *May meetings*

MLA PRESENTS

MLA BASEBALL GAME: ORIOLES VS. TAMPA BAY RAYs

Saturday June 1, 2024, 4:05pm
Oriole Park at Camden Yards*
All tickets: \$34.00

Join the Maryland Library Association in rooting for the Baltimore Orioles as they take on the Tampa Bay Rays; \$5 from each ticket sold will benefit the Maryland Library Association!

Please note that no refunds are available after April 1st.

Registration deadline is May 30th

Register here: [Baltimore Orioles vs. Tampa Bay Rays \(mdlib.org\)](http://mdlib.org)

* Tickets will be accessed digitally using the MLB Ballpark app. You will receive an email with instructions for accessing your tickets by mid-May.

TEEN INTEREST GROUP AND SUPPORT STAFF DIVISION PRESENT CREATING ENGAGING TEEN SPACES AND PROGRAMS

Wednesday June 5, 2024, 9:00am-12:30pm

Baltimore County Public Library-Arbutus Branch*

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

Student|Retired|Unemployed|Friend: \$18.50

We all serve teens as they are library customers. Learn how to improve your service to teens, no matter your position in the library. This training will prepare public service staff to create engaging programming, develop outreach by connecting with community partners, and create a welcoming space for teens. Participants will gain a better understanding of who teens are and how to connect with teens in the branch.

This program has been approved for 3 contact hours of continuing education.

Registration deadline is June 22nd

Register here:[Creating Engaging Teen Spaces & Programs](#)

*Directions: [Arbutus | Baltimore County Public Library \(bcpl.info\)](#)



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

May

- 1** - Conference Orientation, 2:00pm. Contact Josh Stone at maexec@mdlib.org.
- 1** - BCMLA Meeting, 1:00pm-2:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Melanie Townsend Diggs at: melanie.diggs@pgcmls.info for Zoom link.
- 1** - IF Panel Discussion, see article below.
- 6** - Future of Libraries Interest Group Meeting, 10:00am. Online via Zoom. Contact Tracy Miller at millert@hcplonline.org.
- 8-10** - MLA/DLA Annual Conference. See article with links below.
- 13** - Children's Service Division Meeting, 10:00am-12:30pm. On line via Blackboard. Contact Summer Rosswog at srosswog@cecilcountylibrary.org.
- 15** - Conference Committee Meeting, cancelled. Contact Anita Crawford at acrawford@bcpl.net.
- 15** - Executive Committee Meeting, 1:00pm-3:00pm, Online via Zoom. Contact Josh Stone at: mexec@mdlib.org.
- 16** - Marketing Committee Meeting, 10:00am-11:00am. Online via Carroll Co Zoom. Contact Amy Miller at amymill@carr.org.
- 20** - LGBTQ+ Meeting, 2:00pm-3:15pm. Social Meeting. Online via MLA Connect. Contact Kelly Clark at Kelly.clark@hclibrary.org.
- 27** - Memorial Day, MLA office closed.
- 28** - SLRC Spring Conference (virtual)
- 29** - SLRC Spring Conference-(in person)

June

- 3** - Future of Libraries Interest Group Meeting, 10:00am. Online via Zoom. Contact Tracy Miller at millert@hcplonline.org
- 5** - BCMLA Meeting, 1:00pm-2:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Melanie Townsend Diggs at: melanie.diggs@pgcmls.info for Zoom link.
- 5** - Intellectual Freedom Panel Meeting, 2:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Lloyd Jansen at ljansen@ccplonline.org.
- 6** - Public Services Division Meeting, 9:30am. Online via Zoom. Contact Melissa Lauber at mлаuber@ccplonline.org.
- 6** - Support Staff Division Meeting, 1:30pm BCPL-Cockeysville Branch & Zoom. Contact Lou Sica for link; lsica@bcpl.net

10 - Children's Service Division Meeting, 10:00am-12:30pm. Online via Blackboard. Contact Summer Rosszog at rosszog@cecilcountylibrary.org.

12 - Conference Committee Meeting, 10:00am-12:00pm, Online via Zoom. Contact Anita Crawford at acrawford@bcpl.net.

12 - Materials Interest Group Meeting, 3:00pm-4:00pm. Online via Zoom. Contact Laura Bandoch @bandoch@hcplonline.org

12 - Steering Committee Meeting, 1:00pm-3:00pm, Online via Zoom. Contact Josh Stone at: miaexec@mdlib.org. Note: 2nd week

17 - Leadership Day. 9:30am-3:00pm. Howard County-Miller Branch. Contact Josh Stone at miaexec@mdlib.org.

19 - Juneteenth, MLA office closed

20 - Emerging Adults Interest Group Meeting, 10:00am. Online via Zoom. Contact Stephanie Wiant at swiant29@gmail.com

20 - Marketing Committee Meeting, 10:00am-11:00am. Online via Carroll Co Zoom. Contact Amy Miller at amymill@carr.org.

24 - LGBTQ+ Meeting, 2:00pm-3:15pm. Social Meeting. Online via MLA Connect. Contact Kelly Clark at Kelly.clark@hclibrary.org.

MLA/DLA ANNUAL CONFERENCE "SEEDS OF CHANGE" MAY 8 - 10, 2024 HYATT CAMBRIDGE, MD

The Conference is right around the corner-are you registered and ready for a great time? If you haven't registered yet, you can register here: [2024 MLA/DLA Conference \(mdlib.org\)](https://www.mdlib.org/2024-mla-dla-conference).

Can you spare a little time to volunteer at the Conference? The Sign Up Genius has been sent out with registration confirmations, but if you weren't able to volunteer at that time or you lost the link, here it is again: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4EA8A72BA6FE3-48096680-mladla#/>

Anita Crawford is the conference chair-reach out to her with questions; acrawford@bcpl.net

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM PANEL DISCUSSIONS

As book challenges intensify nationwide, MLA's Intellectual Freedom Panel invites you to join us for five new discussions regarding censorship. We will focus on a specific book, article, or video for each discussion, examining current concerns in freedom of access and expression. Please note that these discussions will not be recorded, and that no continuing education credits will be granted.

Defending Our Collections: Held from 1:00 - 2:00pm on MLA Connect.

May 1, 2024 Topic: Soft Censorship Please read: [Self-Censorship in an Era of Book Challenges](#) by Kelly Jensen, Feb 15, 2022. Facilitator: Lloyd Jansen

STATE LIBRARY RESOURCE CENTER 2024 SPRING CONFERENCE

Registration is now open for the [Spring 2024 Enoch Pratt Free Library & State Library Resource Center \(SLRC\) Conference](#) on Tuesday, May 28th (Virtual) and Wednesday, 29th (In-Person at SLRC).

This season's theme is "Tools for Your Future." Attendees will learn from an array of expert presenters covering topics such as: Career and Leadership Development, Personal Development, and Trends in Technology. Attendees can also learn more from SLRC staff about what SLRC has to offer to their libraries.

Please share this opportunity with your colleagues, review the [event program](#), and [register to attend](#), either for the virtual day, in-person, or both. All library workers are welcome regardless of type of library or position held.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact: slrcprogramsandtraining@prattlibrary.org.

PLEASE REGISTER ME FOR THE FOLLOWING:

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