Education Institute Webinar Offerings for August

The Education Institute is a professional development and continuing education program for the library community developed by The Partnership of Provincial and Territorial Library Associations of Canada.

As the library landscape is rapidly changing across Canada, impacting not just your programs and services, the Education Institute is honored to support the library community grow and respond to your educational needs.

Highlights of upcoming webinars at the Education Institute:

Motivating Student Staff for Successful Service: https://fontevacustomer-1650ff83de5.force.com/OLA/eventapi__router?event=a1U5x00000FOklj

Date & Time: August 9, 2022 12:45 p.m.-1:45 p.m. ET

Libraries often hire student-staff to assist with service provision. With students' many responsibilities and contextual factors, it can be challenging to maintain engagement in part-time roles, risking passive, disengaged service provision. Effective student support service provision is grounded in our ability as managers to empower student employees to develop professional competencies, and to actively shape our services to address evolving patron needs. How can managers of student-staff foster motivation, engagement and commitment to part-time work, given competing commitments and challenges? How can we support student-staff if they fall short?

This session outlines how we implement four themes of student-staff motivation (personal and professional development; honoring lived experience; empowered leadership; and community support) in recruitment, training, and the workplace.

Fee: $45 for members/$55 non-members

Planning Author Events at Public Libraries: https://fontevacustomer-1650ff83de5.force.com/OLA/eventapi__router?event=a1U5x00000FOlCa

Date & Time: Thursday, August 11, 2022 at 12-1 p.m. ET

This session will tell you everything you wanted to know about author visits but were too afraid to ask. Author visits have such an incredible and long-lasting effect on kids and adults, but if you are a librarian in a smaller library system who is figuring it out all alone, or a book publicist unfamiliar with the inner workings of a library, it can be intimidating.

Learn how independent publishers and small- and medium-sized public libraries can work together to plan successful author events. This session will outline best practices, from planning and promoting the event to navigating author fees, book sales, and day-of logistics. Linda Ludke, Collection Management Librarian at London Public Library, will moderate a conversation between Bronte Germain of Orca Book Publishing and Sarah MacNeal of Bracebridge Library.

Fee: Complimentary

Student Anxiety and the Academic Library: https://fontevacustomer-1650ff83de5.force.com/OLA/eventapi router?event=a1U5x00000FOkIe

Date & Time: Thursday, August 18, 2022 at 11-12 p.m. ET

There is evidence that anxiety among contemporary college students is much higher than previous generations, and steadily increasing. In the aftermath of the most disruptive years of the pandemic, what does this mean for our students, and how can librarians respond?

This webinar will look at the effects of anxiety on cognition and learning and explore the implications for library instruction and services. Finally, the webinar will offer suggestions ranging from simple changes in practice or design, to pedagogical approaches aimed at counterbalancing anxiogenic forces in students' lives.

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