



Saskatchewan Libraries Conference 2017  
May 3-5, 2017  
Elk Ridge Resort, Waskesiu, SK  
Saskatchewan Library Association 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

## **Guidelines for Presenters**

Please use the [online submission](#) form!

The Saskatchewan Library Association (SLA) is a province-wide, volunteer, charitable organization with a mandate to further the development of library service. The vision of SLA is to support Saskatchewan library staff and libraries in the pursuit of excellent library service for all. The Association supports the activities of all Saskatchewan libraries, including school, public, academic, and special libraries.

The 2017 Conference will be held at Elk Ridge Resort near Waskesiu, SK and the Prince Albert National Park to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of the Saskatchewan Library Association, as well as the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Mary Donaldson Memorial Lecture and the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Canada.

On April 27, 1942, nineteen people met at the Regina Public Library to form the Saskatchewan Library Association. Part of the impetus for this meeting was the development of the Canadian Library Council, and its need for provincial representation. SLA gave strong support to the Canadian Library Council, later the Canadian Library Association, as well as to the campaign for the development of a national library. SLA also became very active on the provincial scene politically and professionally. (Source: [History of SLA](#), Governance Documents)

The theme this year, *Saskatchewan Library Association: Remembrance & Renewal*, will provide an opportunity for libraries and library workers to revive memories from the past and also provide insight into current and future trends for libraries and input into a vision for the future for SLA. We continue to value diversity and are also looking for presentations that focus on issues of inclusivity and diversity. The conference host, Pahkisimon Nuye?áh Library System (PNLS), will showcase their northern environment

We invite you to join the celebration and submit a proposal to provide a presentation at the conference.

### **Session Options:**

Sessions are welcomed in a range of formats and intended for various audiences. The Conference Program Committee will review all submissions and notify if you have been selected to present at the conference by early January.

Reimbursement for accommodations and travel to a maximum of \$300 per presenter (up to 2 per session) are available for Concurrent and Preconference sessions only.



**Concurrent Sessions:** Share ideas, programs, or research. These are typically a 50 minute session. Presenters may be: a) from the library community or b) from outside the library community. Presentations will be on Thursday, May 4th afternoon and Friday, May 5th morning.

**Spotlight On:** A 50 minute session shared by up to 3 presentations; each having 15 minutes and sharing a final 5 minute Q & A. Timing is important. Presentations will likely be scheduled on Thursday, May 4th in the morning and/or afternoon.

**Poster Session:** (on May 5th):

Proposals for each poster will include the following conditions:

- a display space of approximately 45" X 45" with some table space in front.;
- set up at 11:30 on May 5 for viewing over lunch to 12:45; and
- the presenter must be in attendance during the session from 12:15 p.m. to 12:45 p.m.

**Preconference Workshop:** At this time the Conference Program Committee is considering a Preconference in Prince Albert on May 3. Please provide details about the session you would like to have considered. Include the length of time needed.

There will be wifi but power may not be available for poster sessions. A speaker system may be available for the Concurrent sessions and Spotlight On.

### Confirmation of Sessions

The program committee will review all presenter submissions and by late December you will receive an email confirming your participation in the conference. You will be asked to respond within 2 weeks and provide equipment needs, a biography, a photo, a final version of your brief presentation description for the program, and an your acceptance of the time and date for your session on the schedule. Program changes must be requested within the 2 week period following the confirmation of your presentation.

### Social Events (draft)

#### Wednesday May 3<sup>th</sup>

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm Mary Donaldson Memorial Lecture: Wapati Room  
8:30 pm – 10:00 pm SLA President's Welcome Reception

#### Thursday May 6<sup>th</sup>

7:15 am – 8:45 am Breakfast & Lightning rounds  
9:00 am- 10:30 am SLA AGM  
10:30 am– 5:00 pm Exhibit Hall opens (Welcome announcements, prize giveaways,  
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm Lunch  
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm Exhibitors Social  
6:00 pm – 8:30 pm Banquet & Awards  
8:30 pm – 10:00 pm Social Activities - TBD

#### Friday May 6<sup>th</sup>

7:30 am – 8:30am Breakfast  
11:30 am – 1:00 pm Lunch

### **Conference Registration**

All presenters will be required to register for the conference as delegates if they are attending **any portion of the conference other than their own presentation**. Conference registration will not be complimentary for presenters. Banquet tickets are included as part of the delegate registration and additional tickets may be purchased.

### **Expenses**

As part of the presenter submission process, you will be asked to indicate if expenses for travel and accommodations to a maximum of \$300 will be needed (available for concurrent and preconference presenters only). Upon confirmation by the Conference Program Committee of your presentation date, time, and location; you will be notified of the expenses for which you have been approved. Receipts will be required.

### **Handouts and Posting Presentations**

Presenters are asked to provide any handouts that they wish to use with their sessions. SLA can post handouts or presentations on the website following the conference.

**Presenter submissions are due by December 12, 2016!!**

[Submit your proposal online.](#)

If you have questions, please contact:

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