

Future of Libraries
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Future of Libraries 2020: Focus on Equity, Anti-racism, and Work in the New Normal

Oct 7th: Race and Equity	Oct 8th: Transformation in the New Normal
9:00: Introduction and Logistics	9:00: Introduction and Logistics
9:05: Welcoming remarks	9:05: Privacy, Surveillance, Ethics During Crisis
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yemila Alvarez: Assistant Director, PLP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alison Macrina: Founder & Director, Library Freedom Project
9:15: The I's of Oppression	9:55: Break
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celesté Martinez: Owner & Founder of Celestial Alegria 	10:00: Lightning Talks
10:15: Break	10:10: Advocacy in COVID Times with the E's of Marketing
10:25: Diversity and Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alan Fishel: Author of <i>Proving Your Library's Value: Persuasive, Organized, and Memorable Messaging</i>; ALA United for Libraries Board Member, Counsel to ALA • Skip Dye: SVP, Library Sales and Digital Strategy, Penguin Random House, United for Libraries Board Member and 2018-2019 President
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stacy Collins: Research & Instruction Librarian Simmons University 	10:55: Break
11:05: Break	11:00: Update from the REALM project: RE-opening Archives, Libraries, and Museums
11:15: Lightning Talk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sharon Streams: REALM Project Director, OCLC • Carol Frost: Executive Director, Peninsula Library System; CEO, Pacific Library Partnership
11:20: California CREI (Cultivating Race Equity and Inclusion) Initiative	11:55: Break
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patty Wong: ALA President-Elect; City Librarian Santa Monica Public Library 	12:00: Accessibility in Virtual Environments
11:50: Denver Public Library Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rachel Fager: Cataloging & Metadata Librarian, Saint Joseph's University • Lauren Wittek: Assistant Professor and User Experience & Assessment Librarian at Central Washington University's James E. Brooks Library
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ozy Aloziem: Community Connection Program Coordinator, Denver Public Library 	12:45: Lightning Talks
12:05: Break	1:00: Closing the Day
12:15: EDI and Libraries Panel	1:15: Open Chat – Zoom Room
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stacy Collins: Research & Instruction Librarian Simmons University • Ozy Aloziem: Community Connection Program Coordinator, Denver Public Library • Chantel Walker: Assistant Director of County Library Systems, Marin County Free Library • Alison Macrina: Founder & Director, Library Freedom Project 	
1:00: Closing the Day	
1:15: Open Chat – Zoom Room	

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Speaker Bios

As a critical Black feminist, **Ozioma Ozy Aloziem** prioritizes racial and gender equity in her scholarship and activism. She uses this focus to amplify voices of marginalized communities left on the fringes of academic research, public policy and global conversation. Ozy is also a social worker that is deeply committed to equity, research and advocacy. Ozy currently serves as the Community Connection Program Coordinator for Denver Public Library (DPL). She is leading the Building A Pipeline of Community Connection, DPL's grant project examining equity in the library workforce funded by the Institute for Museum and Library Services. In addition, Ozy serves as the Program Manager for Black Women-LEAD.



Anastasia "Stacy" Collins, MA, MSLIS is the Research & Instruction Librarian for children's literature and social work at Simmons University, where she provides research, teaching, and learning support with an emphasis in critical and anti-oppressive practice. Stacy is the author of "Language, Power, and Oppression in the LIS Diversity Void," and she regularly delivers talks and workshops on addressing systemic oppression and lack of diversity within librarianship. Outside of librarianship, Stacy is a children's literature scholar and reviewer as well as a trauma-informed facilitator with the Anti-Racism Collaborative in Massachusetts.



Rachel Fager is the Cataloging & Metadata Librarian at Saint Joseph's University. Rachel has worked in academic libraries for the past eight years in both public and technical services roles.



Alan Fishel is a partner at the law firm of Arent Fox and leads the firm's Communications & Technology group. Alan has represented ALA on many matters, including at the Federal Communications Commission regarding the proceeding under which the FCC increased the size of the E-rate fund by more than \$1 billion annually. Alan also serves on the United for Libraries board, and he is the chair of The E's of Libraries® Task Force. In addition, Alan frequently provides training on a variety of topics, including how to improve advocacy and negotiation skills.



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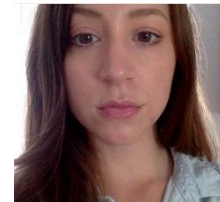


Carol Frost is the Executive Director of the Peninsula Library System, a consortium of 35 libraries located in San Mateo, California. Carol is also the CEO of the Pacific Library Partnership, a cooperative library system comprised of the eight (8) counties and 42 library jurisdictions in the San Francisco Bay Area. Carol is the Co-Chair of the California Library Association's Advocacy and Legislation Committee.



Skip Dye is Senior Vice President, Library Sales and Digital Strategy, Penguin Random House. He has been an active member of the United for Libraries board since 2015, and served as President from 2018-2019. Prior to his position at Penguin Random House, he was VP, adult library and academic marketing, Random House, LLC, and VP, sales director, Random House Publisher Services, Random House, LLC. He was co-founder of the Penguin Random House Literacy Award for Teachers, and co-founder of Penguin Random House Innovation Awards for Libraries.

Alison Macrina is a librarian, internet activist, and founder and director of Library Freedom Project. Alison is passionate about fighting surveillance and connecting privacy issues to other struggles for justice and an analysis of power.



Celesté Martinez, through Celestial Alegria, is committed to igniting joy through transformation through an array of services that include life coaching, facilitation, organizational development and training programs. The training programs focus on building conditions and skills for her clients to foster racial equity through personal and collective development. Celesté has a dual Bachelor's of Arts in Philosophy and Peace & Justice Studies from Regis University.

Sharon Streams is the director of WebJunction at OCLC. In this role, she works to build and activate collaborative learning networks for library staff through WebJunction and grant-funded national-scale projects. Sharon is also a member of the leadership team for OCLC's Membership and Research division. As OCLC's REALM project director, Sharon leads the team responsible for executing the project's deliverables in partnership with IMLS and Battelle. Sharon is a graduate of Indiana University.



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Lauren Wittek is an assistant professor and the user experience and assessment librarian at Central Washington University’s James E. Brooks Library. Lauren has worked in academic libraries for about four years and enjoys finding ways to make library resource more accessible to all.

Patricia “Patty” Wong is City Librarian for the Santa Monica Public Library, in service since March 2017. In her 35-year career, Patty has held positions throughout CA at Yolo County Library, Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library, Oakland Public Library and Berkeley Public Library, and Oakland Unified School District. Patty is very active with the various ethnic professional library associations, and the American Library Association, where she has served in several voluntary governance positions, and is currently ALA President-Elect. She is a Library Journal Mover and Shaker, recipient of the ALA Equality Award (2012), Faculty of the Year, and Woman of the Year in her voting district. In addition, she is also adjunct faculty for the iSchool at San Jose State University since 2004.



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