



Mid-America Library Alliance

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August Stats are
due by Sept. 6

MALA Updates

Courier Holiday - Monday, September 5

MALA will be closed in observance of the Labor Day holiday. There will be NO courier service on that day.

Upcoming Scheduled Holidays

Please make sure that you have reported your library's upcoming scheduled holidays like Columbus Day and Veteran's Day on our online form so we can notify your courier.

[Report here](#)

September Meet and Greet Courier Meeting

Join Linda Tarantino for the monthly Meet & Greet. Meet new librarians, share information and learn what's going on around the state.

Wednesday, September 14 at 2:30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85664042944?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85664042944?pwd=Z21xTVhFZmNkY1Y0K3JLSy9SUm1Edz09)

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Meeting ID: 856 6404 2944

Passcode: 847094

Are you using the most recent labels?

Please remember to check the MALA website to make sure you are using the most current labels, and discard any old labels.

Leaving the courier service as of July 1

Central Baptist University

Emporia University

Calvary University (left April 2022)

Stone County Blue Eye (left April 2022)

Benedictine College (left December 2021)

Upcoming MALAPro Webinars

Network. Learn. Grow.

Fall Readers' Advisory Networking Session

with Polli Kenn, Lawrence Public Library and Kaite Stover, Kansas City Public Library

Wednesday, August 31 at 10 AM

Join us for an online discussion for all things readers' advisory, led by some of your favorite local RA experts. We'll discuss the topics YOU want to cover. Join for us for coffee, conversation, resource sharing and - of course - great

books. We'll email a form to participants to ask what their interests and needs might be, and send out an agenda with the results before the session.

FREE for MALAPro Members and just \$20 for Non-Members

[Register here](#)

Library Board Recruitment and Retention

with Robin Newell, Emporia Public Library

Wednesday, September 14 at 10 AM

Robin Newell will share a step by step process for recruiting effective board members, how to conduct an orientation for new board members, and how regular follow up with board members develops trust and confidence in both the director and the board.

[Register here](#)

From Standstill to Sustainable: A Path Towards a More Equitable Environment

with Tracey Hughes - Miller Nichols Library, University of Missouri Kansas City

Thursday, September 22 at 2 PM

This session will focus on how the culture we cultivate within our libraries directly connects to our ability to provide an anti-oppressive environment for the communities we serve. Using the UMKC Libraries as an example, the presenter will discuss the organizational context, relationships, and structures created to facilitate engagement, accountability, and a shared responsibility for creating and maintaining an anti-oppressive and anti-racist environment.

[Register here](#)

2022-23 MALAPro Memberships

MALAPro is our annual membership program that houses all of MALA's online professional development opportunities and runs from July 1st, 2022 through July 31st, 2023. MALAPro offers you discounted rates to attend 20+ live webinars annually, as well as two FREE networking webinars each year. Additionally, members have access to past webinars for free through MALAPro's Niche Academy library.

MALAPro 2022-23 Membership

Individual Member - \$50

Libraries with 2-15 staff - \$125

Libraries with 16-30 staff - \$200

Libraries with 31-25 staff - \$250

Libraries with 76+ staff - \$300

Regional Library Systems - \$500

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