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February Stats are
due by March 5

MALA Updates

Upcoming MALA Courier Holiday

MALA will be closed on Monday, February 19th in observance of President's Day; there will be no courier service on that day. Service will resume on your next regularly scheduled delivery day.

Mobius Bags

Mobius is requesting that all extra Mobius bags be returned to them. Thanks!

Reporting Closures and Missed Stops

Please remember to report any closures due to inclement weather **as soon as you decide to close your library** so MALA can notify your courier. Please do not call the office as MALA may be closed as well.

Likewise, report a missed stop immediately so that we can potentially arrange a make-up delivery.

In both instances, use the Courier Delivery Issues report found [here](#).

February Meet and Greet Courier Meeting

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

Topic: February Meet and Greet

Time: Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 2:30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84300066370?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84300066370?pwd=WG0zUnd5aU1NWWNGQkVzSUZlZWVvZz09)

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Meeting ID: 843 0006 6370

Passcode: 164610

MALAPro webinars

Network. Learn. Grow.

Mid-Season Sale on MALAPro Memberships

MALA is offering MALAPro 2023-24 memberships at a discounted rate through March 30th. Your membership is active through July 31.

Individual Member: ~~\$50~~ \$30
Libraries with 2-15 staff: ~~\$125~~ \$70
Libraries with 16-30 staff: ~~\$200~~ \$125
Libraries with 31-75 staff: ~~\$250~~ \$175
Libraries with over 76 staff: ~~\$300~~ \$225
Regional Library Systems serving pop up to 500K: ~~\$500~~ \$400
Regional Library Systems serving pop of 500K - 1 Mil: ~~\$750~~ \$500
Regional Library Systems serving pop over 1 Mil: ~~\$1200~~ \$700

[Purchase here](#)

Questions? Please contact Kayla Everhart at kayla.everhart@malalibraries.org

Improving Library Services for Justice-Involved Patrons

Megan Phifer-Davis, Miranda Gibson and Rebecca Clarke, St. Louis County Library

Thursday, February 22nd 2024 at 10 a.m.

Discover innovative methods St. Louis County Library (SLCL) has developed to serve justice-involved people in St. Louis. SLCL has successfully brought virtual library programming to individuals at the St. Louis County Justice Center. Their Reference department supports currently incarcerated patrons through their Reference by Mail service, as well as supporting formerly incarcerated patrons with starting their own business through the Small Business Launchpad. And their innovative collaboration among Bail Project St. Louis created the Tap In Center which provides a welcoming and safe space for individuals to meet with an attorney, get their case information and court date, apply for a public defender, and even resolve active criminal warrants.

[Register here](#)

Breaking Down Barriers: Building Inclusive and Equitable Libraries Through Identity Literacy

Michael Brown, Boston Public Library

Thursday, March 21st at 2 p.m.

Join us as we explore the intersection of identity and literacy in libraries, and how this intersection can be used to create more inclusive and equitable spaces for all. Michael Brown will present their research on the informational needs and access barriers faced by LGBTQIA+ students in academic libraries, and propose the concept of identity literacy as a framework for promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion in library and information science. This talk will challenge us to rethink the role of libraries in fostering a more just and equitable society.

[Register here](#)

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