

2024 Saskatchewan Libraries Conference Libraries Create Community May 1-3, 2024 DoubleTree by Hilton | Regina, Saskatchewan https://www.saskla.ca/professional-development/conference

CALL FOR SESSION PROPOSALS

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Please submit your proposal using the online submission form by **Friday**, **November 17, 2023**.

The Saskatchewan Library Association (SLA) is a provincial, volunteer, non-profit, and charitable organization designed to further the development of library service in Saskatchewan and through libraries, the culture of the province. The vision of SLA is to build an engaged library and information community that is an active force in Saskatchewan's social, economic, and cultural development. SLA supports the activities of all Saskatchewan libraries, including school, public, academic, and special libraries.

SLA's work and support reaches lands covered by Treaties 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 10, the traditional lands of the Cree, Dakota, Dene, Lakota, Nakota and Saulteaux peoples, and homeland of the Métis.

The Saskatchewan Libraries Conference 2024 will be held in-person at the Double Tree by Hilton in Regina, Saskatchewan on May 1-3, 2024.

Conference Theme – Libraries Create Community

The theme for the 2024 Saskatchewan Libraries Conference is "Libraries Create Community." This theme invites us to explore the many ways that libraries build, enhance, and empower their communities. Some of the ways that the Conference Committee sees libraries creating community are:

- Developing library collections or services that reflect and support our province's diverse communities;
- Creating relevant communities of practice for library workers;
- Library students sharing research projects with the broader library community;
- Providing instruction to create information-literate citizens in our communities; and

• Gathering community in reconciliation and decolonization initiatives.

If these suggestions resonate with you, or if there are other ways that you can join our conversation around libraries creating community, we want to hear from you at the 2024 conference!

We invite submissions for the following (session lengths do not include setup time):

Long-form sessions (50 minutes): This format best suits panel discussions, interactive sessions including audience participation, or joint presentations from 2 or more institutions. Any audience Q & A will be included in the 50-minute session time limit.

Short-form sessions (20 minutes): These sessions will be stacked in a block with related content. Regardless of length, these sessions should be innovative, thought-provoking, and engaging. Any audience Q & A will be included in the 20-minute session time limit. This is a great opportunity for first-time or reluctant conference presenters.

Poster sessions: Posters are a great way to share your ideas and research relating to specific programs and projects. There will be a set time to stand by your poster so attendees can inquire about your work.

Confirmation of Sessions

The Conference Program Committee will review all submissions. The committee may request modifications or changes to your submission in order to more closely align with the theme and the overall program schedule. You will receive an email confirming your participation in the conference in December. Program changes must be requested within the 2-week period following the confirmation of your presentation.

Conference Registration

If you plan to attend other conference sessions outside of your own, you must register as a conference delegate.

Questions

We would be delighted to answer any questions you may have either by email at <u>info@saskla.ca</u> or by telephone at 306-780-3633 or 306-780-9409.