



British Columbia Library Conference – Penticton, April 22-24, 2010.

The BC Library Conference Program Committee invites those working or interested in the fields of librarianship, archives or education to submit program proposals for the 2010 annual BC Library Conference which is sponsored by the BC Library Association, the BC Library Trustees' Association, and the Health Librarians' Association of BC. The conference will take place in Penticton, at the Trade and Convention Centre, from April 22-24, 2010.

Speakers will have the opportunity to showcase their work and share new ideas, debate issues and upcoming trends, contribute to the BC library community and network with colleagues from a broad range of libraries and library-related services. Last year, 600 people attended the conference and 50 exhibitors participated in the trade show.

Conference Theme: ***Seriously Entertaining: Learning through Fun and Games.***

“Let my playing be my learning, and my learning be my playing.” (Huizinga) There is plenty of evidence that people learn more effectively when they're having fun whether at work, in an educational setting or at play. Have you done research on gaming and learning? Have you offered really fun, effective training programs? Have you hosted a game night at your library? Do you have ideas for making the workplace more fun—and productive?

We are looking for proposals that complement this year's theme; however, the Program Committee will consider all proposals. We encourage submissions from practitioners, academics, trustees, vendors and students. Vendors are encouraged to partner with practitioners to increase the likelihood of proposal acceptance.

Conference sessions are typically 75 minutes long.

Pre-conference sessions are either a full or half day, and support continuing education and skills development for all library workers and/or trustees.

In particular, we seek;

- presentations - one or two people presenting on a topic;
- panels - discussion among a small group of people, co-ordinated by a convenor with each presenter offering a perspective on a topic (no more than 3 panelists, please);
- research - one or two people presenting original contributions to the research, theory, and practice of librarianship;

BCLC 2010 Call for Program Proposals

- pre-conference workshops - 1/2 or full day workshops available to BCLC participants at additional charge. We are especially interested in pre-conference workshops that include a hands-on practical approach and allow delegates the opportunity to learn new skills.

Please be aware you are required to submit complete information on your proposal (eg, all speakers must be identified). The submission must be completed in one sitting. You cannot partially complete the form and return, as you will be required to begin the process again. All mandatory fields must be completed. Incomplete proposals will not be considered by the Conference Program Committee.

The deadline for submissions is Monday, October 26th, 2009. Program selection will be done by November 5th, 2009 and speakers notified by the week of November 9, 2009.

To submit proposals please go to this link: www.bclibraryconference.ca/proposals2010

Please note:

We are looking for proposals that speak to the theme, and also appeal to the cross-sector of groups that attend the conference. Proposals should be made by the prospective speaker(s) and, for speakers from outside the BC library community only, include a level of detail on travel, accommodation and per diem expense estimates and/or expectations.

Speaker Reimbursement

Specialty speakers including professional speakers, keynote/plenary speakers, authors, and invited speakers from outside of the British Columbia library community may receive compensation as follows: conference registration for the day they are speaking, speaker fee or honorarium (if expected), travel/accommodation costs.

Librarians, trustees, friends of the library, and career library workers in British Columbia shall not be eligible to receive expense or speaker reimbursements or honoraria. Speakers from the BC library community will receive a single \$50 discount on either a partial or full conference registration. For panel presentations, a maximum of three speakers per panel will receive discounts.

To promote learning and networking opportunities and availability of speakers to conference attendees we encourage speakers to register for the full conference to contribute to, and participate in, the overall conference experience.

All speakers MUST register for the conference (one day or full registration). Even if you are only coming the day on which you are speaking, you **MUST REGISTER** to ensure your badge is ready! Speaker registration will begin in late 2009. Thank You!

Changes will be considered with respect to the above guidelines at the discretion of the Conference Planning Committee Chair and the Conference Manager on a case-by-case basis.

Convenor Reimbursement

Volunteer convenors for sessions will be supplied by BC Libraries Conference Planning committee. Instead of a single convenor per session there will be a single convenor who is responsible for a room and who convenes sessions in this room for the day. Convenors will work a 5-6 hour day, are expected to attend the sessions they convene and will receive a one-day complimentary conference registration as compensation. A call for conference volunteers will be made separately.

Come Early, Stay Late!

The Okanagan Valley is home to more than 100 wineries, numerous golf courses, and the Kettle Valley Rail Trail (455+ kilometers for biking, walking or horseback riding), among the many recreational opportunities. The Valley is blessed with one of the warmest and sunniest climates in Canada, and 135km long Okanagan Lake boasts many parks and sandy beaches along its shores. Speakers, exhibitors and delegates will be encouraged to come early to the conference and stay on afterwards. Watch for “Come Early, Stay Late” information on the speaker, exhibitor and general conference registration sites late in 2009.

If you have questions, please contact Heather Compeau, BC Library 2010 Conference Chair: **bclibraryconference@gmail.com**

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