

Call for Papers

CALL FOR PAPERS

Progressive Librarian:

A Journal for Critical Studies & Progressive Politics in Librarianship

PLG members and friends are encouraged to submit articles for upcoming issues of *Progressive Librarian*. The editors look for both theoretical and applied perspectives on issues of concern to librarianship, archives, and LIS education. *Progressive Librarian* has never offered a definition of the “progressive politics” in our subtitle, but the journal is unabashedly:

- critical of neoliberalism, postmodernism, and technophilia;
- left of center;
- an advocate of intellectual freedom, social responsibilities, academic freedom, privacy rights, government transparency, and environmental sustainability;
- in alliance with women, the poor, people of color, the GLBTQ community, the differently-abled, and all who have been exploited and victimized by unjust social structures.

We seek articles, book reviews, bibliographies, reports, documents, artwork and poetry that explore progressive perspectives on librarianship and information issues. Works should be no longer than 5,000 words, but careful consideration will be given to works that are longer.

Technical guidelines: Deadline for upcoming issue #42 is May 1, 2014. Please submit electronic files via e-mail, as Rich Text Format (.rtf) or Microsoft Word (.doc). Prints and digital images also welcome, if digital provide 300 dpi grayscale TIFF (.tiff) files no larger than 5x7 inches. Use your favorite citation style for in-text (parenthetical) citations, footnotes, end-notes, as well as the bibliography (Chicago Manual of Style & Turabian), works cited (MLA) and references (APA & Harvard) sections. Please be consistent using the style of choice. Manuscripts with inconsistent citation style will be returned to prospective contributors.

We reserve all rights to edit all submissions. Deadline for issue #42 is **May 1, 2014**.

Send article submissions to eharger@drizzle.com

Please distribute this call for papers broadly.

Book Review Editor Needed

The *Progressive Librarian* is seeking a book review editor to start immediately. Please contact Elaine Harger at eharger@drizzle.com for more information.

PLG Events at ALA Midwinter

The topic of the PLG Meeting and Conversation at ALA Midwinter in Philadelphia was "Libraries and Poverty." PLG members and friends discussed ALA's Policy Statement "Library Services to the Poor" and what librarians should be doing to respond to the needs of low-income people in the communities we serve. Areas of concern included:

- barriers to access (fines, fees, etc.)
- attitudes of library staff toward low-income people
- the need for programs and services that help poor people without stigmatizing them
- the need to substantially increase public library funding, to make possible the deployment of staff and resources necessary to fully address the needs of low-income people
- the need for staff in public libraries with knowledge and skills that enable them to address the issues and problems poor people face in their daily lives (e.g., social workers)
- non-affiliated "community patrons" in academic libraries
- the precarious economic situations faced by many library staff themselves



Sunday, January 26
PLG Meeting and Conversation
Pennsylvania Convention Center, Philadelphia

PLG Events at ALA Midwinter



Sunday, January 26
PLG Dinner
Sahara Grill, Philadelphia

Have an update you'd like to see included in next month's bulletin?

Send it to sarahbarriage@gmail.com