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NMRT BULLETIN

A weekly digest from ALA New Members Round Table



Caption: purple tinted landscape of mountains surrounding a lake

LINKS WE LIKE

NEW FROM ALA

- ALA 2020 Spectrum Scholars
- PR Xchange Committee 2020 Award
- Community Connect: Digital Access at Home grants
- ALA Council approves Core

WELCOME TO THE NEW **NMRT BOARD!**

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PRESIDENT'S WELCOME LETTER 2020

Jennifer Wilhelm, NMRT President 2020-2021

Howdy from your new NMRT President! I want to take this opportunity to introduce myself, celebrate the incoming board, and shed light on my priorities and theme for the year. Currently, I work as a Business Librarian at Texas A&M University, but I have a great love for public libraries, where I worked previously. I've been a member of ALA and NMRT since 2016, and have served on several of the committees, on the board as Secretary, and last year as Vice President. I am extremely excited to take on the challenge of NMRT President.

This year will be a challenge for many of us, for reasons ranging from illness to unemployment to racism. My hope is to use the NMRT platform to help as many people as possible with programming, resources, and opportunities for professional development and networking. In addition, <u>all</u> NMRT members should feel welcome in this organization, and I intend to work with the board to firmly entrench anti-racist ideals, not just as lip service, but as actual practice and NMRT culture.

My theme for this year is Stronger Together. NMRT will be spending this year not only working towards the above goals but also reaching across the ALA organization to provide joint programming and resources, highlight other Round Table contributions, and introduce members to the wide variety of jobs and fields represented.

I look forward to serving as your President this year. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely, Jen Wilhelm, NMRT President 2020-2021 jwilhelm@library.tamu.edu

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Caption: steaming cup of coffee against dark background

JOBLIST PLACEMENT & CAREER CENTER HOSTING WEBINARS

- **July 22** How to Advance in Your Career in Times of Uncertainty; <u>Register Here</u>
- **July 29** Creating a Culture of Wellness for Library Staff; <u>Register Here</u>

SHARE YOUR NEWS!

Is there an event you'd like publicized? A webinar geared towards new members? Has your organizaiton given out an award? Let us know! Contact information is at the bottom of this issue.

VOLUNTEER SLOTS STILL OPEN!

We still need you!

Don't miss out on your first choice - <u>sign up</u> now! If you have questions about the committees, their charges, or their workload, please contact incoming NMRT President Jennifer Wilhelm at jwilhelm@library.tamu.edu.



Caption: drawing of wildflowers

CHANGES TO THE NMRT DIGEST

Beginning now, NMRT Digest Issues will be coming out twice a month. The NMRT Communications Committee will be in charge of soliciting issues and topics for each issue. Please contact Josh Rimmer at j.rimmer84@gmail.com if you are interested in contributing a piece to this and/or the NMRT Blog.

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