What Can OLA Do For You?

Continuing Education
Workshops and programs of interest to you are held throughout the state. NW Central is the regional continuing education site which is supported by OLA.

Get Involved and Network
Through participation in a division, committee or roundtable, you will meet people with similar interests and receive news of activities.

News and Contacts
Keep current with Oregon library issues through both the OLA Hotline (published twice each month) and OLA Quarterly. OLA Board meetings are open to all members. Attend in-person or with our virtual meeting software. The membership directory provides access to members throughout the state.

Lobbying
Advocate effectively for your library by working with the Oregon library community. OLA works to inform legislators and policy makers about our needs, issues and accomplishments.

Scholarships and Honors
Scholarships for conferences and course work help members with professional development. Honors and awards are given in recognition of special contributions to the association, the profession, and library development.

Annual Conference
The annual conference will educate, refresh, entertain, and beguile you with three days of workshops, speakers, and vendor displays. Meet fellow members of the Oregon library community.

Link to Other Organizations
OLA sends representatives to other professional organizations at the state, regional, and national levels, including the American Library Association (ALA). Joint membership through ALA (for students) at favorable rates is a benefit of OLA membership.

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OLA proudly serving Oregon since 1940
OLA’s officers, division heads, and committee and round table chairs are pleased that you are interested in a vital, dynamic library organization with more than 1,300 members. OLA provides advocacy, education, leadership and collaboration to continually strengthen Oregon’s libraries and the communities we serve. Since 1940 we have had a record of successfully representing the interest of libraries and library staff and those they serve throughout Oregon.

Your OLA membership provides you with many benefits, including connections with library staff and supporters throughout the state. As a member, you will receive the Association’s publications, including the OLA Hotline, an electronic semi-monthly newsletter on current events and topics, and the OLA Quarterly, a journal with in-depth theme articles on significant library issues. You will have access to the Association’s web site (www.olaweb.org), and you will receive an invitation to attend the annual conference at the discounted member rate.

In addition to these benefits, your membership provides an opportunity to become an active participant in OLA. Attend available sessions and workshops throughout the year and consider joining a division, committee and/or a roundtable to become more involved in advancing library services for Oregonians.

OLA’s success is a direct result of its members’ enthusiastic efforts to promote access to information and library services for the citizens of our state.

Visit www.olaweb.org to learn more about these groups...

Round Tables
- Documents Interest Group (DIGOR)
- International Relations (IRRT) * Library Instruction (LIRT)
- Library Preservation (LPRT) * Outreach (ORT)
- Past Presidents (PPRT) * Library Assessment (LART)
- Reference (RRT) * Social Responsibilities (SRRT)
- Technical Services (TSRT) * Legal Reference (RT)
- Library Technology (LibTechRT)
- Wise and Retired (WARRT)

Divisions
- Academic/ACRL-Oregon * Children’s Services (CSD)
- Oregon Young Adult Network (OYAN) * Public Library (PLD)
- Oregon Association of School Libraries (OASL) * Support Staff (SSD)

Committees
- Communications * Conference * Honors, Awards, Scholarships
- Intellectual Freedom * Library Development and Legislation
- Membership * Nominations
- Oregon Authors * Resource Sharing * Oregon Reader’s Choice Award