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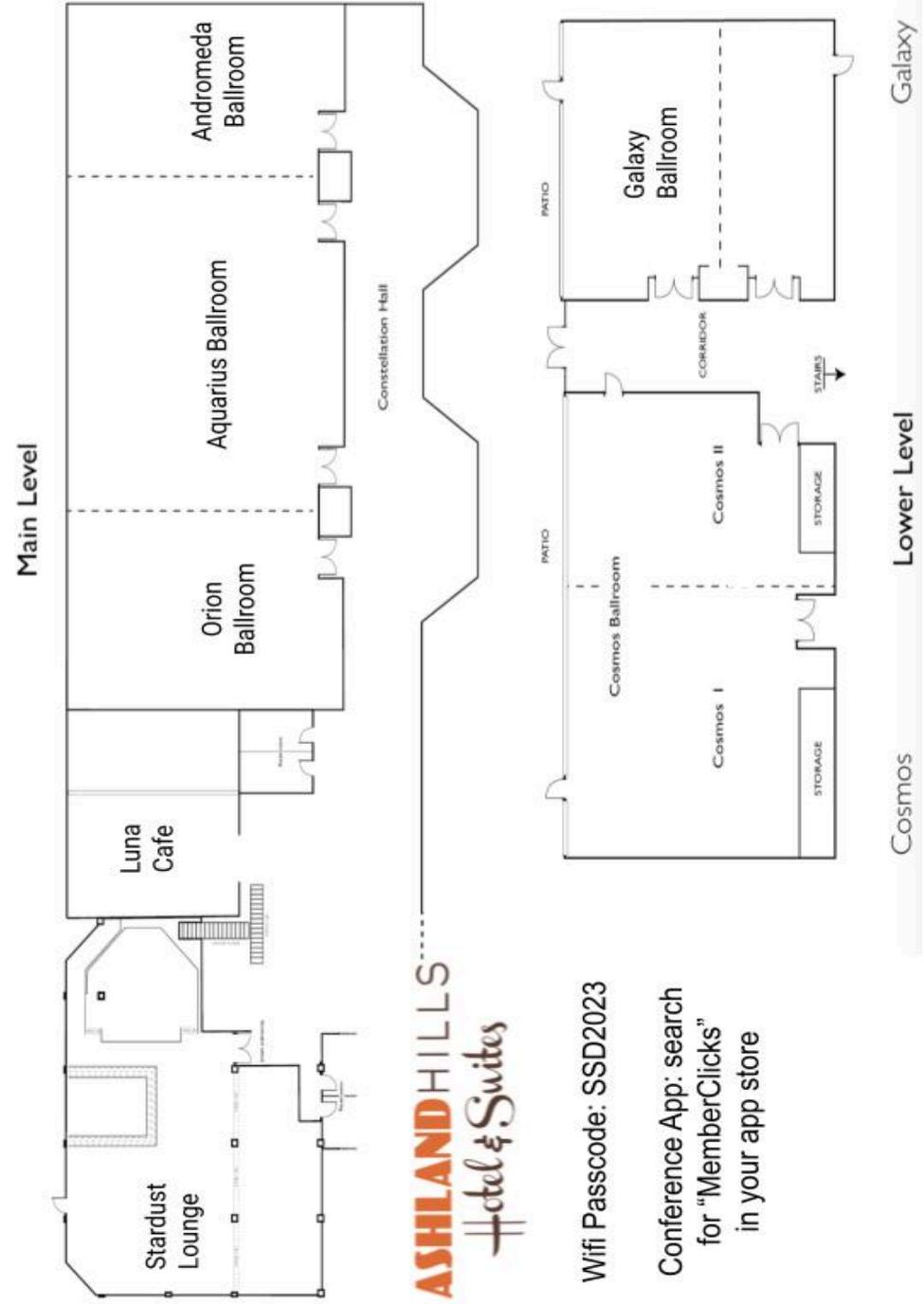
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# Schedule

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**7:30 am** - Check-in at Registration, *Aquarius Ballroom*

**8:00 am-8:30 am** - Networking and Breakfast

**8:30 am-9:10 am** - Welcome

Star Khan, OLA President

Brittany Young, OLA Vice-President

Ericka Brunson-Rochette, Incoming OLA VP

Wendy Cornelisen, Oregon State Librarian

**9:15-10:15 am** - Keynote Speaker, *Aquarius Ballroom*

Mark Yaconelli, Author

*How Stories Can Save Us*

In an increasingly fast-paced and fractured world, sharing stories can be a radical and deeply human practice for uncovering the ties that bind us to one another. Story invites us to step into the reality of another person's existence and instead of judgment feel kinship. In this inspiring and interactive presentation Mark Yaconelli will show how stories can heal our families, our world, ourselves.

## SSD Raffle

In-person ticket sales end at the time of the drawing, about 4:20 pm. We take cash or cards.

The raffle funds scholarships available to SSD members to access professional development and higher education.

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## Questions?

Please see any of the committee members for assistance.

Thank you!

# *Thank you!*

The SSD Committee would like to thank those who helped make this conference possible.

## **State Library of Oregon**

for their generous grant and scholarships to keep this valuable conference affordable!

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## **10:30-11:45 am - Breakout Session 1**

The Healing Power of Story - Mark Yaconelli

### *Aquarius Ballroom*

There is a depth to story that we rarely take time to ponder, let alone to tell and hear. Story is how we transform pain. Story is how we make something useful out of the absurd. Sharing stories is how we make a home within ourselves and one another. Based on his new book, *Between the Listening and the Telling: How Stories Can Save Us*, Yaconelli will engage participants in a series of reflective exercises and facilitated discussions designed to help all of us expand our empathy and compassion for ourselves and for one another.

## **Why Get a Library Degree? - Greta Bergquist**

### *Andromeda Ballroom*

Have you thought about pursuing a Master of Library Science, but aren't sure you're ready to make the commitment? Do you have more questions than answers? Greta Bergquist from the State Library will host this session about the ins and outs of going to school while working and the value of a library science degree to librarianship. Greta first worked in libraries as a college student without a degree and had careers in other areas before coming back to libraries. She graduated from the iSchool at University of Washington in 2011 getting her MLIS while working at a non-profit. She will share her experience, how MLIS degrees may or may not work well for everyone in Oregon libraries, and answer any questions you have about library school!

## **Basic Book Repair for Libraries - Carolee Harrison**

### *Galaxy Ballroom*

## **11:45-12:45 pm - Lunch, Aquarius Ballroom**

# SSD News

## 12:45-1:10 pm - Finding Your Mysterious Path

Ellie Alexander, Author, *Aquarius Ballroom*

A fun and uplifting presentation about the mysterious meanderings of living a bookish life, whether in a library or through the pages of your favorite read.

## 1:15-2:40 pm - Breakout Session 2

Snapshot of Southern Oregon Library Services -

Kari May, *Andromeda Ballroom*

Jackson County Library Services Director Kari May will share information about library services at JCLS, as well as some of her neighbors: Josephine Community Library, Klamath County Libraries, Southern Oregon University, and Rogue Community College.

The State Library: Your Hidden Gem - Darci Hanning  
*Aquarius Ballroom*

Attendees will discover one of our state's "hidden gems" - the State Library! Darci Hanning, Public Library Consultant and CE Coordinator, will provide a quick summary of state libraries generally and an overview of the State Library of Oregon specifically. Attendees will also learn about the team of consultants and the services and programs they offer, including the statewide databases and continuing education resources that are free to all Oregon library staff. Be prepared for a (fun!) pop quiz, a quick brainstorming session, and a chance to ask questions!

Basic Book Repair for Libraries - Carolee Harrison  
*Galaxy Ballroom*

2:40-3:00 pm - Snack

## Congratulations to Margaret Harmon-Myers recipient of the OLA Distinguished Service Award!

Please view the slides on the conference app to find out more.

## SSD Monthly Meetings

SSD currently meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, 5-7pm via Google Meets

## SSD Elections are coming!

We are looking for nominations:

- Secretary - 1 year
  - *This position requires meeting attendance to take notes, and assists the conference committee*
- Treasurer - 2 year
  - *This position averages 4 hours/month and is a core member of the conference committee*

## Other opportunities:

Member at Large - 1 year

SSD Conference Committee - 1 year

Send an email to [ssd@olaweb.org](mailto:ssd@olaweb.org) if you would like to get involved! Thank you!

## SSD Leadership Retreat

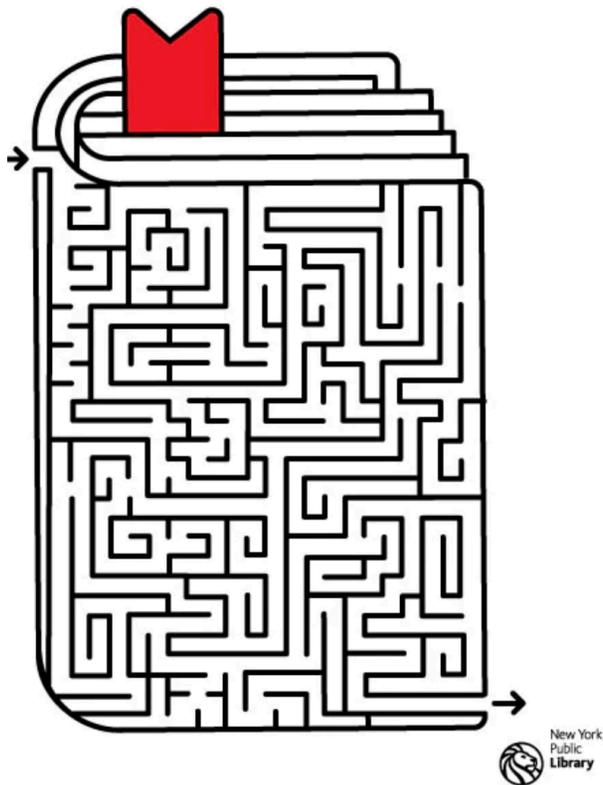
August 15-17, 2023

SSD Board and Conference Committee

Historic Spindrift Cottage, Manzanita

# Find Our Way Game

**Directions:** Find someone who has the same color SSD button as you. Introduce yourself to each other. Go to the registration table and get a prize!



## *Britt Music & Art Festival*

Use the code below for 20% off tickets to Tig Notaro when applied to your order. You can purchase online, over the phone, or in-person at the ticket office.

Promo Code: OLA23SSD

## **3:00-4:15 pm - Breakout Session 3**

Lightning Talks, *Aquarius Ballroom*

*The Oregon Digital Newspaper Program: First Hand History at Your Fingertips* - Maureen Flanagan Battistella

*Writing Book Resumes* - Alyssa Donoho

*The Virtual Library* - Ama Bentley

*Oregon Digital* - Sara Trott

*OLA's EDI & Antiracism Committee* - Ericka Brunson-Rochette

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**4:15-4:30 pm** - Raffle Drawing and Evaluations  
*Aquarius Ballroom*

**5:00pm** - Blackstone Audio Tour  
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## *Complimentary Wine Tasting*

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## *Presenter Bios*

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**Ellie Alexander** is a voracious storyteller and a lover of words. With over 30 published novels and counting, her goal is to tell stories that provide points of connection, escape, and understanding.

**Ama Bentley** (they/them) is the Multnomah County Library (MCL) Community Information Administrator. Ama was born and raised in Portland, and has worked at MCL since 1990.

**Greta Bergquist** serves as the Youth Services Consultant for the State Library of Oregon. She has an MLIS from the University of Washington and previous careers in education and the world of afterschool learning.

**Ericka Brunson-Rochette** is the outgoing Chair of OLA's EDI & Antiracism Committee, and the incoming OLA Vice-President/President-Elect. She is a Community Librarian with Deschutes Public Library, focusing on Early Learning for ages 0-5 and families.

**Alyssa Donoho** (she/her) is the Youth Services Librarian for Josephine Community Library District and is currently serving on the Oregon Intellectual Freedom Committee.

**Maureen Flanagan Battistella** (she/hers) is on the Sociology/Anthropology faculty at Southern Oregon University. She is a curator of the Stories of Southern Oregon collection in the Southern Oregon Digital Archives at SOU's Hannon Library, on YouTube.

**Darci Hanning** is a public library consultant and continuing education coordinator at the State Library of Oregon. She works with communities establishing a new public library, consults and facilitates strategic planning for small and/or rural public libraries, and serves on OLA's Public Library Division and Public Library Standards committee. She is also responsible for creating a statewide continuing education program for library staff and supports local libraries' staff training efforts, in conjunction with OLA's Staff Training Round Table.

**Carolee Harrison** is a member of the PSU Library Special Collections staff, and her work includes digital and physical preservation of books, documents, manuscripts, film and audiotape. Carolee has taught book repair to library professionals, volunteers, and students throughout the state of Oregon since 2000.

**Kari May** is the Library Director for Jackson County Library Services in Southern Oregon. She is happy to call Southern Oregon home and enjoys exploring the area with her chocolate lab Sydney.

**Sara Trott** is the Equipment Coordinator at the OSU Valley Library. She loves all things tech and library related.

**Mark Yanconelli** is a speaker, community-builder, and author of *Between the Listening and the Telling: How Stories Can Save Us* as well as five previous books. He and his wife have three grown children and live in Ashland, Oregon.