

STATE LIBRARY OF OHIO

Monthly Report, September 30, 2015
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<https://library.ohio.gov/about/state-librarian-board/>

Choose to Read Ohio

- The 2015 & 2016 Choose to Read Ohio booklist features 20 titles, for all ages and interests, by a variety of notable Ohio writers and illustrators including Mindy McGinnis, Sharon Draper, Susan Orlean, Nikki Giovanni, Jeffrey Ebbeler, Amit Majmudar, and others.
- Readers' toolkits for each CTRO book feature author biographies, discussion questions, Common Core connections, and activities and links for further exploration and enjoyment. All the toolkits for 2015 & 2016 books are now posted for free download. In addition, toolkits are available for all 75 books selected to CTRO since its inception in 2009. All the toolkits, and additional information about CTRO, are available on the State Library website: <https://library.ohio.gov/ctro>.
- Questions on Choose to Read Ohio should be addressed to Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov.

Digital Public Library of America

- In April 2015, the State Library Board awarded an LSTA grant to Columbus Metropolitan Library to act as administrator and lead implementer for a "DPLA in Ohio Planning Project." This project will develop a plan for Ohio cultural heritage institutions to participate in DPLA through creation of an Ohio Service Hub.
- The DPLA in Ohio Working Groups; Technical Strategy, Advocacy, Metadata Standards, Governance, Legal Agreements, and Sustainability, have been finalized and have begun to meet.
- A survey will be sent to Ohio cultural heritage organizations in early October to assess current and future plans related to digital collections and associated metadata. The survey will also help to determine training needs, barriers to participation, current content management systems in use, and metadata harvesting strategies supported.
- More information on the project can be found at <http://dplaohio.org>. Questions should be addressed to Missy Lodge, mlodge@library.ohio.gov.

Library Leadership Ohio

- The State Library is once again partnering with OhioNET on Library Leadership Ohio. The mission of LLO is to "create the next generation of transformative library leaders." Thirty-two individuals will be selected to participate in LLO 2016.
- Library Leadership Ohio, facilitated by the Ivy Library Group, will take place July 19 -22, 2016 at the Holiday Inn Worthington. Tuition for the event is \$500.
- Application materials are now available at: <http://libraryleadershipohio.org/about/application-processd/>. Completed applications must be received at the State Library by 11:59 p.m. December 14, 2015. Application materials and other information can be found at <http://libraryleadershipohio.org>.
- Questions on Library Leadership Ohio should be addressed to Evan Struble, estruble@library.ohio.gov.

LSTA

- Eleven applications were received for the LSTA competitive grants. Applications have been sent to LSTA reviewers. Recommended applications will be presented at the December 8, 2015 State Library Board meeting for funding. The LSTA Open Grant program has reopened. The RFP and information on the Open Grant program can be found at: <https://library.ohio.gov/services-for-libraries/lsta-grants/#AvailableGrants>. Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis.
- Questions on the LSTA program should be addressed to Missy Lodge, mlodge@library.ohio.gov.

The vision of the State Library of Ohio is a Smarter Ohio where every Ohioan can access the necessary resources to be engaged citizens, excel at their jobs, participate in the workforce, and pursue their passions and interests.

Staffing

- Cindy Boyden was promoted from a Library Assistant 2 in Circulation and Special Services to a Library Consultant in Library Programs and Development effective September 6, 2015. Her responsibilities include oversight of daily operations of the LSTA program and assisting libraries with strategic planning.
- An appreciation luncheon was provided to the staff of the State Library's SEO Library Center located in Caldwell on September 23, 2015. State Librarian, Beverly Cain, attended the luncheon and recognized the staff on their many years of dedicated public service. The SEO Library Center has a staff of 20 with years of service ranging from 2 to 36. The staff was presented with State of Ohio service pins.

Summer Reading Program

- The Ohio Summer Reading Program Evaluation survey remains open at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/srpeval2015>. All Ohio public libraries are asked to report on their SRP. If you have not yet completed your survey, please do so at your earliest convenience. If you are unsure whether your library's survey has been submitted, contact [Janet Ingraham Dwyer](mailto:Janet.Ingraham.Dwyer). Your participation helps the State Library, Regional Library Systems, cooperating state agencies, and the Collaborative Summer Library Program to provide helpful resources and support for future SRPs. It also gives us the information we need to communicate the value and impact of library SRPs statewide.
- Manuals for the 2016 CSLP program are anticipated to be delivered to the State Library in early/mid-October and will be repacked and shipped to public libraries ASAP after delivery. The 2016 CSLP themes are "On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!" (children/early literacy); "Get in the Game: Read" (teens); and "Exercise Your Mind: Read" (adults).
- Questions on Summer Reading should be addressed to Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov