

STATE LIBRARY OF OHIO

Monthly Report, July 31, 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 authors including Mindy McGinnis, Sharon Draper, Susan Orlean, Nikki Giovanni, Jeffrey Ebbeler, Amit Majmudar, and other Ohio writers and illustrators.
- A color poster depicting the 2015 & 2016 CTRO book jackets has been delivered to public libraries. Copies of the poster are available on request to Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov.
- Readers' toolkits for each CTRO book feature author biographies, discussion questions, Common Core connections, and activities and links for further exploration and enjoyment. The toolkits for 2015 & 2016 books are under development, and most have been posted to <https://library.ohio.gov/ctro>, where additional information about CTRO may also be found.

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 Planning Project Steering Committee met on July 22 at the State Library. The meeting was facilitated by the Bishoff Group, consultants for the project. By the end of the meeting, six working groups had been established and co-chairs appointed. Working groups are: Technical strategy, Advocacy, Metadata Standards, Governance, Legal Agreements, and Sustainability. Once charges for the working groups are completed, a call for committee members will be made to the Ohio library community and other cultural heritage organizations.
- First steps for the project will be a survey to libraries, archives and other cultural heritage organizations to be followed by a statewide symposium to be held in November 2015. State Library staff on the Steering Committee are Missy Lodge, Katy Klettlinger, and Shannon Kupfer.
- More information on the project can be found at <http://dplaohio.org>. Questions should be addressed to Missy Lodge, mlodge@library.ohio.gov.

Guiding Ohio Online

- The State Library has been awarded a 2015 Ohio AmeriCorps Formula Grant by ServeOhio, the Ohio Commission on Service and Volunteerism. The funding will be used to implement the Guiding Ohio Online project.
- Guiding Ohio Online will engage AmeriCorps members to perform training sessions, hands-on help, and other services to fulfill the vision of every Ohioan being able to fully participate in e-government, search for jobs online, understand the risks and benefits to internet finance, connect with family online, and protect personal information in the digital age. Guiding Ohio Online will target populations in rural Ohio, resulting in enhanced digital skills. More information on the project can be found at <http://guidingohionline.org/>.
- Twenty-nine public libraries are hosting an AmeriCorps member and these libraries have been selected through a competitive application process. Members will begin their 11-month term of service on September 21, 2015. The process for recruiting and selecting AmeriCorps members is currently in motion. Select locations are still accepting applications.
- Questions should be addressed to Mandy Knapp, aknapp@library.ohio.gov.

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List of New Acquisitions

- New titles can be found at <https://library.ohio.gov/collections/new-books/>.

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.”
- Library Leadership Ohio will take place in July 2016 and will be facilitated by the Ivy Library Group. Further details and application materials will be available in October.
- Questions on Library Leadership Ohio should be addressed to Evan Struble, estruble@library.ohio.gov.

LSTA

- LSTA competitive grant rounds are now open. Information on available grants and application materials can be found at: <https://library.ohio.gov/services-for-libraries/lsta-grants/>. Applications are being accepted in the areas of Literacy, STEM, Outreach and Partnerships, and Data Management & Analytics. Complete application packages must be submitted to lsta@library.ohio.gov by 11:59 p.m. September 9, 2015. Applicants may request up to \$50,000 in federal funds. Funded projects will run January – September 2016.
- 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.

Ohio Ready to Read

- The Ohio Ready to Read (ORTR) “**Early Literacy 101**” workshop is a free training for Ohio public librarians and library staff. ORTR trainers are available to travel to your library to present this workshop, if you can host 20-30 library staff from your library/system, neighboring libraries, and/or any Ohio public library staff willing to travel to your location. Now is a good time to consider arranging a workshop for fall 2015. See the [Ohio Ready to Read website](#) for details.
- Questions about Ohio Ready to Read and early literacy resources for libraries should be addressed to Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov.

Staffing

- Andy Ingraham Dwyer has been promoted to a Data Systems Manger (Chief Information Officer).
- As part of the DAS Fiscal Classification Study, Jamie Pardee has been reclassified to a Financial Manager, Anne Libby has been reclassified to a Financial Analyst Supervisor, and Joan Sharp and Allison Hoggatt have been reclassified to Financial Associates.

Summer Reading Program

- The Ohio Summer Reading Program Evaluation survey is open at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/srpeval2015>. All Ohio public libraries are asked to report on their summer reading programs at program’s end. 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.

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- The Collaborative Summer Library Program is seeking library staff input for the 2017 program year. The 2017 manual will be built around the theme of **Build a Better World**. If you have a great program idea, an awesome book, a must-have app, or any other input for the 2017 program, the CSLP wants to know about it. Contact Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov for information on how to submit your ideas to the CSLP.
- Questions on Summer Reading should be addressed to Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov.

Training

- Janet Ingraham Dwyer, Library Consultant, conducted two pull-out sessions about Choose to Read Ohio, and ways to develop programs and activities for CTRO titles, at the Mazza Museum Summer Conference on July 13.
- Several State Library staff attended the Dive into Data conference hosted by OHIONET on July 17. State Librarian Beverly Cain delivered the keynote speech entitled "[Using Data to Win Friends and Influence People](#)" and Library Consultant Kirstin Krumsee gave a presentation entitled "[Knowing Where to Draw the Line: Tools and Strategies for Visualizing Data.](#)"

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