



# PDPOSTINGS

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT NEWS AND ADVICE FOR LIS PROFESSIONALS



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## WELCOME

Students are back, work projects are in full swing and the fourth quarter of the ALIA PD Scheme year is on the horizon. Your PD plans for the year should be well underway. Set some goals around topics you want to pursue and let us help you with ideas for learning activities - Margie.

### Watch! Tools of change for publishing conference

If you are interested in new technologies for publishing then this is the conference for you. Couldn't make it to New York? Not to worry, the proceedings and videos are now online.

<http://www.toccon.com/toc2012/public/schedule/proceedings>

**PD category:** Informal learning activities

**PD points:** 1 point per hour, 30 points maximum per year

### Illuminate! Project Information Literacy

This ongoing research project provides an understanding of how early adults conceptualise and operationalise research activities for study and everyday use; particularly resolving issues of credibility, authority, relevance, and currency in the digital age. The website has loads of resources and is perfect for building on your information literacy knowledge.

<http://projectinfoit.org/about/>

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### Storytime at QUT! Develop effective storytime programs

Reading aloud is vital to help children develop a love of reading, build their vocabularies, and learn to express themselves. Speech pathologist and creator of the Read and Grow storytime program Karyn Johns will introduce participants to the principles behind the successful storytime program. [https://qutpay.qut.edu.au/Cart/Products/Developing-Effective-Story-Time-Programs\\_\\_32-2012-01.aspx](https://qutpay.qut.edu.au/Cart/Products/Developing-Effective-Story-Time-Programs__32-2012-01.aspx)

or contact Kate Davis at [k3.davis@qut.edu.au](mailto:k3.davis@qut.edu.au)

**Date:** 24 April 2012, 9.30am-12.00pm

**Venue:** Online

**Cost:** \$115 for ALIA members – a \$20 saving on standard registration. Student and group registration rates also available

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### Manage! Project management tools and techniques workshops

This one day workshop covers the basic tools and techniques for project management, delivered in plain English and applied to the projects and events managed in a library setting. Open to non-members.

<http://www.alia.org.au/training/brochures/2012/ALIA.Training.ALG.Proj.Mgt.2012.pdf>

**Dates:** 16 March 2012 – Melbourne, 17 April 2012 – Sydney, 18 April 2012 - Canberra. Check web site for other locations and dates.

**Registrations close:** 2 March 2012 for Melbourne

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### Study! The Horizon Report 2012 higher education

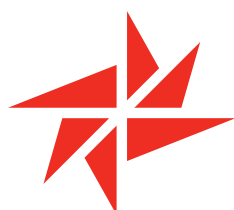
The latest must read in the Horizon Report series, a decade-long research project designed to identify and describe emerging technologies likely to have an impact on learning, teaching, and creative inquiry in higher education.

<http://www.nmc.org/>

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## Recap! VALA2012

Proceedings and vodcasts are available so that you can take your time to review the great presentations at this conference.

<http://www.vala.org.au/vala2012-proceedings/>

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## Negotiate! Managing challenging clients workshops

Understand and deal with clients who are suffering from problems related to mental illness, disability or substance abuse. Includes causes, definitions and symptoms, behaviour management and self management. Open to non-members.

<http://www.alia.org.au/training/brochures/2012/ALIA.Training.ALG.Chal.Clients.2012.pdf>

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## Pin! Pinterest

Get to know one of the top 10 most trafficked social networking websites. Pinterest's inspiration boards have great potential for libraries and other organisations for creating visual displays of resources and services. Test out ideas on how you can make the most of this popular social network for your library.

<http://pinterest.com/>

<http://oedb.org/blogs/ilibrarian/2012/5-ways-to-use-pinterest-in-your-library/>

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## Play! WorldCat

I thought I was up-to-date with WorldCat but a recent demonstration blew me away with it's power and usability, not just for bibliographic records but also as a tool for readers' advising. Signup to make your own lists of resources and start following others.

<http://www.worldcat.org/>

<http://www.oclc.org/au/en/worldcatorg/overview/default.htm>

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## Update! Cataloguing Basics

A full TAFE unit (*Undertake Cataloguing Activities*) condensed into 6 weeks and undertaken online. Perfect as a refresher or for those with limited cataloguing experience. Includes an update on RDA. In partnership with TAFESA.

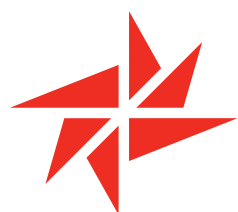
<http://www.alia.org.au/training/brochures/2012/ALIA.Training.TAFESA.Cataloguing.2012.pdf>

**Dates:** 23 April to 1 June 2012

**Registrations close:** 10 April 2012

**PD category:** Tertiary Courses

**PD points:** 30 per semester, 60 points maximum per year



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## Write! Learning for all conference

Submit an abstract and share your knowledge with colleagues at this Melbourne conference focusing on the role public libraries play in community learning and literacy.

<http://auslib.com.au>

**Applications close:** 23 March 2012

**PD category:** Presentations and papers

**PD points:** 2 point per hour, 20 points maximum per year

## Read! Free scholarly articles and ebooks

The ProQuest LIS Journals online package is available free to all ALIA members at <http://www.alia.org.au/onlineLISresources/>

Barker, Kimberley R., M.L.I.S., Elaine Attridge, Jason Bennett, Tony Hiserman, Andrea S. Horne M.L.I.S., David Moody, Ellen C. Ramsey M.Ed, Son, Inhye Kim, MS,M.L.S., A.H.I.P., and Patricia Vaughn. 2012. "The Implementation of Embedded Quick Response Codes into Library Resources to Improve Service Delivery." *Journal of the Medical Library Association* 100 (1): 68-71.

"Mobile Libraries 2012." 2012. *Library Journal* 136 (22): 26-n/a.

Yelton, Andromeda. 2012. "Expanding Access to Devices, Collections, and Services." *Library Technology Reports* 48 (1): 19-24,2.

**PD category:** Professional reading

**PD points:** 1 point per hour, 10 points maximum per year

## Read! Free eBook

The EBL eBook library online package is available free to all ALIA members. My pick for the month is:

Fullner, Sheryl Kindle. *The Shoestring Library*. Santa Barbara: Linworth, 2010.

The Shoestring Library offers hope, incentive, and direction to librarians who lack everything but passion. The book is organized around 300 hints, more than 114 of which are green alternatives for administering a library in tough times. The book is divided into two parts: support functions and physical plant. The support section investigates such topics as the best use of volunteers and how to get free materials for your library. The physical plant section helps identify and fix problems with walls, ceilings, windows, shelving, desks, seating, and lighting, proposing low-cost or no-cost solutions to all these woes.

<http://www.alia.org.au/onlineLISresources/>

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## Review! ALA Midwinter tech wrap up

Watch this video and you can join industry experts commenting on their favorite technology trends and applications presented at the ALA Midwinter conference. All this without having to leave home.

<http://www.alatechsource.org/blog/2012/01/archive-of-the-2012-ala-midwinter-tech-wrapup.html>

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## I'm creating perfect bibliographies

I'll happily admit I need all the help I can get when it comes to whipping a list of citations into shape. This month I'm test driving some online bibliographic generators with the aim at finding the best tool to help me master this tricky task. So far I've tried Harvard Generator and Bibme with good result.

<http://www.harvardgenerator.com/>

<http://www.bibme.org/>

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## Go to!

For a range of PD and networking opportunities, see our events calendar at <http://www.alia.org.au/events/>

You'll also find a range of ALIA courses and workshops at <http://www.alia.org.au/training/>

## Join! Become a certified practitioner

Not a member of ALIA's PD Scheme? All professional (Associate and Library Technician members) can join ALIA's PD Scheme for free. For more information visit <http://www.alia.org.au/education/pd/scheme>

Are you managing a library or information service? Check out LIS Management in Focus – provided free to all ALIA members at <http://www.alia.org.au/publishing/enewsletters/focuson/>

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