



Youth Services Workshop 2021

Zoom Links

NOTE: This is a draft schedule. If all fees have been received by the Arkansas State Library, you will receive another copy of this schedule with zoom links the week of the workshop.

Link to Google doc for any changes during the day (Insert link)

If a session is cancelled during the live workshop—join another session. Recordings will be made for each session. Information on how to access all materials and content will be sent out after the workshop.

Opening Session 9am-10:20am Keynote 1 (Insert link)

9:00 Opening remarks and State Librarian Welcome

9:30 Keynote: Jarrett Krosoczka

10:30am Break Out Sessions

Room A: (Insert link)

Recapturing Your Middle Grade Reader

Allie Stevens (Calhoun County Library)

The Jump from Picture Books and early, illustrated chapter books to longer form literature can be daunting for many readers. In this session, Allie will discuss many of the reasons kids in grades 4-6 may stop reading even if they once enjoyed it and offer suggestions for how to select and suggest books that will capture their interest and keep them engaged. A grade by grade Tails & Tales annotated reading list will be provided.

Room B: (Insert link)

Guides Your Library Should Have

Sarah Lesko and Brittany Carter (Saline County Library)

Two programmers at the Saline County Library will share their program planning guide and position specific training guides. They will also give you tips for writing your own! Having guides like these in place are extremely helpful when hiring new staff and planning new programs!

Room C: [\(Insert link\)](#)

Children's Synergy Session (6-9 years)

Discussion Facilitator Amber Duncan (White County Library)

Synergy—the interaction of two or more—to produce a combined effect greater than the sum of their separate efforts. This session will help you get to know other programmers working with this age group and give you a place to share ideas about summer reading, ask questions, and network resources.

Room D: [\(Insert link\)](#)

Play to Learn: Toddler and Preschool Play Programs

Wendy Christy (Saline County Library)

Play to Learn is a play-based, sneaky learning program for preschool aged kids and younger. We'll talk about a variety of activities that provide sneaky learning for little guys in ways that are developmentally appropriate. This program will also work with babies with a few tweaks to the materials offered.

11:30am Break Out Sessions

Room A: [\(Insert link\)](#)

Helping from Home: Teens volunteering during a pandemic

Ruth Hyatt (Arkansas State Library)

Teens have talents. Teens have skills. Teens have time—sometimes. But now, many teens need volunteer hours in order to graduate high school. Your library can help! And the teens can help your library! This session will focus on how to develop a volunteer program for teens—even during a pandemic—that will allow them to provide much needed help, learn new skills, learn the expectations of employment, and earn those volunteer hours!

Room B: [\(Insert link\)](#)

Arkansas Diamond Primary Book Award

Carolyn Schumacher (Committee Chair) and Tiffany Hough (Garland County Library)

This session will introduce the work of the Arkansas Diamond Award committee, share information on how to help out as a Reader, and promote the newest list of nominees!

Room C: [\(Insert link\)](#)

So, You're a New Programming Librarian... Now What?

Kirsten Seidel, Jillian Beazer, and Sherri Rollins (Lonoke County Library)

This session will provide a few examples of some simple starter programs that a new programming librarian can begin with while getting to know their community! Groups covered: Children's, Tweens, Teen, and Adults! Online programming adaptation will also be included.

Room D: [\(Insert link\)](#)
School session TBD

Cassandra Barnett (Arkansas Department of Education)

12:15-1pm Lunch Break: Eat! Drink! Move around!



1pm Keynote: Jarrett Krosoczka [\(Insert link\)](#)

1:55pm Break Out Sessions

Room A: [\(Insert link\)](#)

Charlie May Simon Award

Jeff Whittingham (UCA) (Committee Chair), Sarah Coker (Ruth Doyle Middle School) and Sonja Fritz (UCA)

Informational session on the Charlie May Simon Award, the work of the CMS reading committee, and the 2021-22 CMS reading list for 4th-6th graders.

Room B: [\(Insert link\)](#)

Teen Synergy Session

Discussion Facilitator Ruth Hyatt (Arkansas State Library)

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Room C: [\(Insert link\)](#)

COVID-19 Resources for Librarians

Jennifer Wann (Arkansas State Library)

During the COVID-19 global pandemic, libraries find themselves serving in the role of second responders by providing services such as accurate, timely information about the pandemic that benefit the health and recovery of community life. This session will provide a broad overview of resources designed to assist public libraries with those services.

Room D: [\(Insert link\)](#)

How It Started, How It's Going: Virtual Storytimes

Katie Allen, Erin Baber, and Brittany Chavez (Garland County Library)

Planning, marketing, and presenting online storytimes in the wild world of online everything. Mistakes were made and lessons were learned but we're doing it, darn it.

2:45pm Break Out Sessions

Room A: [\(Insert link\)](#)

Arkansas Teen Book Award

Chance Griebel (Laman Library), Jennifer Watson (Saline County Library), and Allie Stevens (Calhoun County Library)

Learn more about our plans for the Arkansas Teen Book Award and learn more about being a reader to help us select the top books for our teen readers!

Room B: [\(Insert link\)](#)

Summer Storytime Ideas

Amber Duncan (White County Library)

Ideas for books, songs, flannel boards, rhymes, and crafts to use for summer reading.

Room C: [\(Insert link\)](#)

True Stories of Animals

Katie Allen and Tiffany Hough (The Garland Girls—Garland County Library)

Inspire even the most savage beasts in your storytime with tales of brilliant animals from all around the world. Participants will leave the session paws-itively prepared to lead a 6-session program series including book recommendations, snack ideas, craft examples, and other purr-fect extension activities.

Room D: [\(Insert link\)](#)

Tween Synergy Session

Discussion Facilitator Kirsten Seidel (Lonoke County Library)

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3:30pm Keynote 3 and closing [\(Insert Link\)](#)



Evaluation Link: [\(Insert Link\)](#)

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Participation Certificates will be sent out after the workshop. ADE Professional Development hours will be listed on your certificate.

