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From the NYS Library:

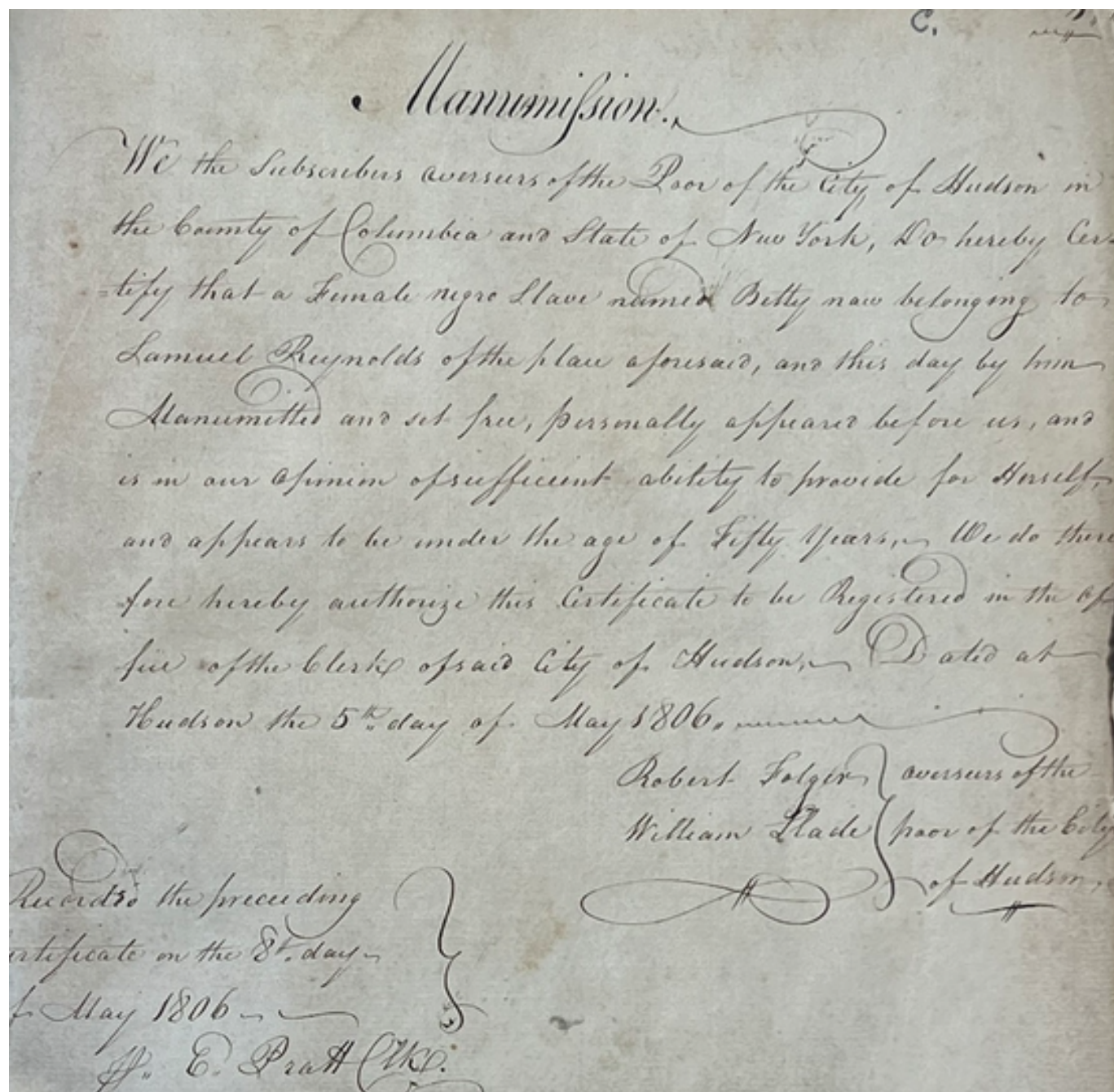
There's news from Southeastern down below, but first, we wanted to start with three items from the New York State Library. In case you missed the announcements on NYLINE, these three recent news items might help you with your library work.

1. [The State Library has a new DEI Toolkit](#) on their website here. The New York State Office of Cultural Education Diversity/Equity/Inclusion Toolkit provides practical guidance for and applications of diversity, equity, inclusion, accessibility, antiracism, and justice for New York's museums, libraries, archives, historical and genealogical societies, and cultural heritage sites.
2. The new NOVELny databases (Gale Books and Authors, Gale Business: Entrepreneurship, Gale Health and Wellness, Gale LegalForms [NYS], Gale OneFile: High School Edition, Gale Presents: Peterson's Test and Career Prep and a new Gale OneFile collection, Leadership and Management) will be available to all libraries and New Yorkers on Wednesday, June 26 with the official subscription period running July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. [There is a temporary site available now so that libraries can look at the databases ahead of time.](#) The temporary site is for library staff only and should not be made available to the public.
3. The library made [a LibGuide available for everything Summer Reading](#). This year's theme is Adventure Beings at Your Library!

Additionally, this July we have news on:

- New at New York Heritage
- Employment Opportunities
- Ask the Lawyer
- Professional Development
- A survey for both Library workers and Library Patrons

New on New York Heritage



[Columbia County, NY Manumissions, 1806-1825](#). Manumission is the process where an individual enslaved person is released from slavery by their enslaver. The earliest manumissions were recorded in county land record (deed) books. Between 1752 and 1790, the deed was the only legal document that could free an enslaved human-being.

These documents were contributed by the **Hudson Area Library**, in partnership with the **Columbia County Clerk's Office**.

Employment Opportunities

Local library jobs are listed on our employment page here: <https://www.senylrc.org/jobs>

We receive updates all the time and post them as soon as possible. You can submit your listing by sending an email to jobposting@senylrc.org.

Ask the Lawyer

The council retains an attorney to offer Southeastern and its members timely input on human resources, intellectual property, digital rights management, vendor contracts, First Amendment, civil rights, employment law, and other legal issues that can impact library operations.

Answered questions go on a [FAQ shared by the ESLN councils on WNYLRC's website here](#). Recent questions include:

- [Witnessing a Document](#)
- [LED Lighting and Accessibility](#)
- [Supervising Family Member](#)
- [Marketing Library Budget Vote](#)
- [Open Meetings and Robert's Rules of Order](#)
- [Staff Disparaging Comments About Employer or Funder](#)
- [Minimum Wage for Public Library Employees](#)



Got a question for the
lawyer?

[Ask it here!](#)

From Southeastern NY Library Resources Council

Professional Development

Building Your Research Data Management Toolkit: Integrating RDM into Your Liaison Work

July 16 & 17
9am-1pm
online via Zoom



RDM Virtual Workshop

Dates: Tuesday, July 16 & Wednesday, July 17

Time: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Cost: \$100

Location: online via Zoom

[More information and registration here](#) <--- Registration ends July 9!!

Research data management has emerged as a need among academic researchers and liaisons are building skills in response. This two-day workshop will assist liaisons to identify their existing skills and mindsets that transfer to research data management services and then create a learning plan for the RDM specific knowledge needed to serve their subject disciplines. Tools, hints, and tricks will be shared that facilitate partnerships on campus with disciplinary faculty and with other RDM service providers. This half-day conference will feature presentations in all capacities of banned and challenged books and programs. This Symposium is in partnership with Southeastern New York Library Resources Council, Ramapo Catskill Library System, Mid-Hudson Library System, Mount Saint Mary College, SUNY New Paltz and BOCES School Library Systems of Dutchess, Orange-Ulster, Rockland, Sullivan, and Ulster.

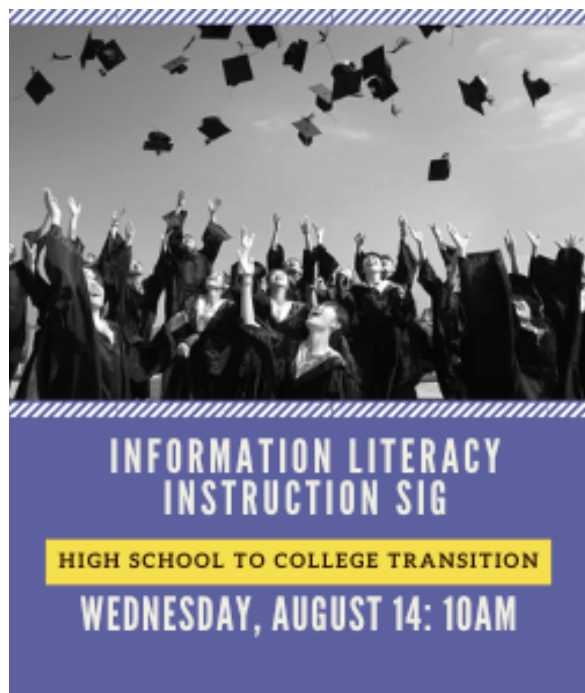


Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion SIG

Thursday, July 25
11:30 am - 12:30 pm
online via Zoom

Topic for this meeting: EDI Support Resources for Library Workers. The Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion SIG meets to discuss anti-racism and actions that library workers can take in order to create a more just library environment for all.

[Register Here](#)



Information Literacy Instruction / HS to College Transition SIG

Wednesday, August 14
10:00 am - 11:00 am
online via Zoom

In this meeting, we will talk about plans for the coming 2024/2025 school year! Both secondary school librarians and academic librarians are invited to share knowledge about preparing high school students for college.

[Register Here](#)

Digital Preservation SIG

Wednesday, July 31: 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Location: Online via Zoom

Register here: <https://www.senylrc.org/event/digital-preservation-sig/>

The Digital Preservation Special Interest Group (DigPres SIG) will continue a conversation started by the HRVH User's Group about storing and managing digital files. The DigPres SIG will focus on strategies, activities and technologies relating to preserving digital content for the long-term.

At this meeting we will discuss how to create a digital content inventory and why it's an important first step in Digital Preservation planning.

CCDA Webinar

Monday, September 9: 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Location: Online via Zoom

Register here: <https://www.senylrc.org/event/ccda-webinar/>

Join Barbara Lilley, Library Development Specialist at the Division of Library Development, for an overview of the NYS Coordinated Collection Development Aid program. Barbara will review how libraries should complete and submit the CCDA print and online forms, review when a library needs to submit a waiver, and share tips for libraries to track their CCDA funds once it is received on their campus.

Registration is required. This session is sponsored by the Empire State Library Network.

Fall Into Books

Thursday, October 24: 9:00 am - 2:30 pm

Location: Newburgh Armory

Register here: <https://fallintobooks.org/>

This is the 25th Annual Children & Teen's Literature Conference. The morning speaker is Meg Davis Roberts from Hudson Valley Writing Project and the keynote speaker is author Brendan Kiely.

Tech-Talk Webinars

1-hour sessions on Wednesdays at 3pm

- July 10: [VIDEO] **Snagit Videos: From Screen Recording to Polished Productions**
- July 24: [EXCEL] **Mastering Spreadsheet Magic: Typical Formula Techniques**
- August 7: [GRAPHICS] **CANVA: A Beginner's Guide to Designing Graphics Like a Pro**
- September 11: [TOOLS] **3 Tools to Create Your Own Personal Scheduling System**

[Webinar Details & Register at this link](#)

NOTE: You'll need Southeastern's login info to register! Members can email Moshe Siegel at moshe@senylrc.org to request it if they don't have it.

Other Professional Development

Library Leadership and Management Certificate Program 2024-25

The SUNY Office of Library and Information Services and SUNY Center for Professional Development let us know that the **Library Leadership and Management Certification** program will continue this fall! Certificate participants will gain a foundation in management and leadership while also being given opportunities to apply this knowledge in library-specific contexts and areas.

This certificate program is comprised of virtual courses covering a variety of library topics. To earn the certificate, participants must complete at least 3 courses from the program. Credly Badges are awarded for each course completed as well as for the overall certificate.

*Please note: courses can be taken individually as well, for those who are not pursuing the certification. For more details about each course, please visit their [Library Leadership and Management Certificate Website](#).

Check out the website for details and registration: [Library Leadership and Management Certificate Website](#)

Questions? If you have questions about the program, please reach out to Cori Wilhelm, Libraries Program Manager, at cori.wilhelm@suny.edu. Questions regarding Registration can be directed to Meghan Martin, Program Coordinator at Meghan.Martin@suny.edu

Slowing Down For Metadata Justice: On Learning To Trust Our Bodies And Ourselves

Produced by METRO

Tuesday, July 9: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

Vaccine Hesitance and How to Address It

Produced by South Central NY Library Resources Council

Wednesday, July 10: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

NYS Historic Newspapers: Search Tools

Produced by ESLN

Thursday, July 11: 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

Behind the Scenes: Lewis Latimer House Museum

@Flushing, Queens

Produced by Greater Hudson Heritage Network

Monday, July 19: 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

AI Literacy and Upskilling in Academic Libraries: Trends, Tools, and Ethical Considerations

Produced by Rochester Regional Library Council

Wednesday, July 31: 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

WNYLRC Intersect Unconference 2024 - Call for Proposals

Produced by Western NY Library Resources Council

Friday, October 11, 2024

[More information and registration here](#)

Librarian and Patron Surveys

Below are two surveys that we are helping to disseminate. One survey is for librarians and the other is for library patrons, which we hope your librarians which you can print and post. The goal of these surveys is to determine whether/how librarians and users apply the concept of genre terms when searching for library materials. The results will be incorporated into an article being prepared for *Library Trends*. Both surveys have been approved by the IRB at James Madison University, and all the results will remain anonymous. The estimated time needed to complete the survey is 10-15 minutes.

This survey is for library workers

You are invited to participate in a research survey investigating the use and promotion of genres in library work. This might include incorporating information about genres in bibliographic records, enabling genre searches in discovery layers/public-facing catalogs, creating genre displays, doing genre readers advisory work, and so on. "Genres" refers to media created using a particular style or content, whether fiction or nonfiction (e.g., science fiction, paranormal romance, slice-of-life, sports, true crime, etc.).

This survey is intended for library workers. Questions will address both public/reference and technical services processes related to genres.

You will be asked to provide answers to 13 questions related to how your library creates and uses information about genres, and promotes genres to patrons. You will also be asked to identify the kind of library you work for and the library system and discovery layer/public-facing catalog you use for your job.

The survey will take approximately 10-15 minutes to complete.

There are no risks, benefits, or compensation for participating in this voluntary research. No personal information of any kind can or will be collected through this anonymized Qualtrics survey.

The information will be used for an upcoming article in *Library Trends* advocating for improvements to the Library of Congress Genre Form Terms (LCGFT) vocabulary, to make finding genres easier for patrons, and more in line with how they conceptualize and search for genres.

Please click the following link to participate:
https://jmu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eUNBowMRYidLR42

The survey will close July 8, 2024.

If you have questions about the research, you can contact hollowsw@jmu.edu
 Title of Research Study: **What's Warranted?: The LCGFT vs. User Needs for Fiction and Comics**
 IRB Protocol Number: 24-4793

This survey is for library patrons

Did you know that you can't search directly for the genres Paranormal Romance and Urban Fantasy in library catalogs?

You are invited to participate in a research survey investigating how library users think about and search for genres, particularly in library catalogs. "Genres" refers to media created using a particular style or content, whether fiction or nonfiction (e.g., science fiction, romantic suspense, slice-of-life, sports, true crime, etc.).

Information from this survey will be part of a larger project advocating for improvements to make finding genres easier. Help your library encourage future change, and make it easier to find the genres you love most.

You will be asked to provide answers to 11 questions related to what kinds of genres you read, view or listen to, and how you search for them. You will also be asked to identify the kinds of libraries you use for checking out or streaming media, and how often you do so.

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