

APLA Conference 2023 – Community, Connecting, Caring/ Communauté, Connectivité, Compassion

Colin MacKay, Chair of the APLA 2023 Conference Committee

Dear friends and colleagues,

The APLA 2023 Conference Committee would like to invite you to our 2023 APLA Annual Conference, held virtually this year on **June 6th to June 9**th.

We are excited to be hosting our conference virtually from New Brunswick this year, and our volunteer committee is eager to make this year's conference a wonderful moment to connect with friends, colleagues, and fellow library-lovers from across Atlantic Canada and beyond!

Call for Proposals and Registration:

Our call for proposals went out in January and committee members are hard at work reviewing all the submitted proposals. We have received a wonderful variety of proposals this year and are already excited to see how this year's conference will take shape! Our call for proposals has been extended, and so if you have an idea for a presentation, please let us know by **February 24, 2023**. You can check our website for more information and email us at conference@apla.ca with any submissions.

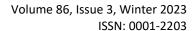
We will also be opening registration soon, and we are planning to have some early bird prizes this year so be sure to keep an eye on the APLA socials and register early in order to be eligible!

Conference "swag":

Conference swag is such an important part of the conference experience, and so our committee has been working on some free and paid options for all our attendees. We have some fun free swag options in the works, such as printable doorhangers, which you can use to let your fellows know that "sssh, I'm conferencing!" Any free swag will be available on our website to download and print from any home printer.

For paid options, we are excited to be working with OLA's <u>The Library Marketplace</u> to offer some virtual swag experience this year. Every registrant will receive a discount code for The Library Marketplace that can be used to take 15% off their purchase of any library-related swag and goodies. If shipping is a concern, see if anyone else in your area is attending and see if they are interested in combining orders!

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Updates:

For the latest updates, please check out our website and follow us on our various social medias:

Facebook: <u>APLAContact</u>
Instagram: <u>@aplagram</u>
Twitter: <u>@APLAcontact</u>
Website: conference.apla.ca

We look forward to connecting with you all in June!

Best wishes,

Colin MacKay

Chair of the APLA 2023 Conference Committee