

Announcements:

Join the APLA Executive!

Grow your skills & make an impact! APLA is looking for volunteers to join our executive, starting in June.

Why Volunteer?

- **Build Your Skills:** Gain hands-on experience with planning and nonprofit governance.
- **Lead & Collaborate:** Help guide APLA's direction and work with passionate professionals.
- **Expand Your Network:** Connect with library workers and advocates across Atlantic Canada.
- **Give Back:** Support libraries, literacy, and equitable access to information.

We are looking to fill the following roles:

VP President Elect:

Looking to take on a visionary leadership role in the Atlantic library community? Apply to be President-Elect and play a central role in guiding APLA's mission. This is a 3 year term, with the volunteer acting as the Vice President in the first year, as the President in the second, and as the Past President in the third. This position offers a chance to collaborate with the Executive and committees to steer the organization forward. Enhance your leadership, public speaking, and advocacy skills while gaining experience in board governance.

VP New Brunswick:

Are you passionate about libraries in New Brunswick? Represent your province as Vice President (NB) and ensure regional perspectives are heard. Act as a liaison between APLA and New Brunswick library communities. This role works to build connections and strengthen networks with colleagues across the Atlantic and advocate for local needs while gaining experience with strategic planning, program development, and organizational governance. This is a 2 year term.

Advocacy Committee Rep:

Do you believe in the power of libraries to transform communities? Lead APLA's Advocacy Committee and help champion causes that matter. Lead campaigns and initiatives that support equitable access to information and defend the role of libraries. Sharpen Your Advocacy Skills, while learning effective strategies for public engagement, lobbying, and coalition-building.

Treasurer:

Passionate about libraries? Interested in finance or leadership? APLA is seeking a dedicated **Treasurer** to join our Executive Committee! The treasurer manages APLA's finances, heads the Finance Committee, and helps APLA make decisions. No finance experience? No problem! If you're organized, eager to learn, and ready to contribute—we want to hear from you. This is a 2 year minimum, 3 year maximum term,

with the final year being dedicated to training the Treasurer-Elect. Must be located in Nova Scotia.

Treasurer-Elect: One year term shadowing the Treasurer and learning through an apprenticeship. Takes on the role of Treasurer after one year. A great way to get involved and learn valuable skills. Must be located in Nova Scotia.

****Please note, the terms of the Treasurer & Treasurer-Elect positions are currently under review by the APLA Executive, with the goal of supporting the APLA Treasurer and Treasurer-Elect as they dedicate their time and specialized skills to the Association****

Library Staff and Technicians Interest Group Convener- Are you interested in helping support library staff and technicians across Atlantic Canada? This interest group promotes interest in the work and concerns of paraprofessionals within the Atlantic provinces library community and provides a forum for paraprofessionals to become involved in the work of APLA.

For all of these roles, expectations are to attend APLA exec meetings (held online), be involved in ongoing APLA discussions, and to help out with working groups when needed.

For more information on any of these roles, please email president@apla.ca. If you are an APLA member in good standing or if you'd like to become a member of APLA and want to shape the future of the association, **please email a statement of interest and your resume to president@apla.ca by June 6th, 2025.**