

## From the President's Desk



**Spring 2024**  
**Krystal Dionne**



It is so nice to feel the weather getting warmer and see the days getting longer. I hope that you've all had a lovely Spring and have some upcoming Summer plans!

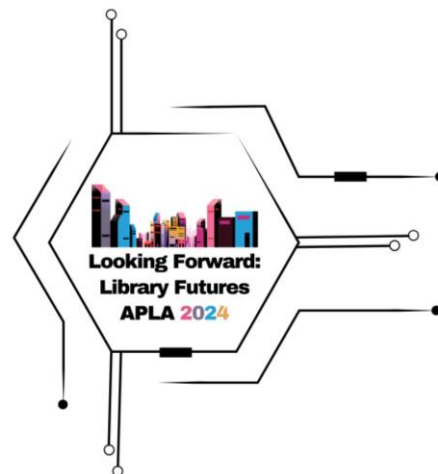
One thing that I am definitely looking forward to is:

**APLA's 2024 Virtual Annual Conference:**

**Looking Forward: Library Futures**

Join us virtually from Tuesday, June 4 to Friday, June 7, 2024 to learn about and discuss the evolving role of libraries!

This year's conference theme, "Looking Forward: Library Futures", encourages information professionals to ponder the evolving role of libraries in the 21st century. As libraries adapt to societal, technological, and educational changes, the APLA conference aims to explore innovative strategies, emerging trends, and transformative ideas that will shape the future of libraries.

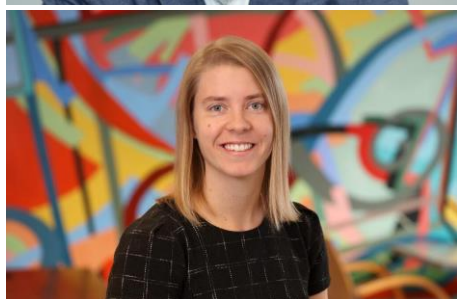


The schedule and registration are now live, check out the [website](#) to learn about all of the amazing sessions and speakers that will be joining us this year to inform, educate, and inspire!

We are also excited to announce our Keynote Speakers:



**Gemma Hickey**, a multi-award-winning international author, human rights activist, and intersectional feminist.



**Erica Friesen**, Research and Instruction Librarian (Law) & Online Learning Specialist at the William R. Lederman Law Library at Queen's University.

We look forward to seeing you there! The Conference **First Timer's Grant** is still up for grabs and is an opportunity for a member to attend the Conference for free. Please contact one of the APLA Executive members if you'd like to apply for this opportunity. We have a very deserving member receiving the **APLA Merit Award** this year, this will be presented virtually at the Conference so stay tuned!

I'd also like to thank our wonderful Executive Team for this past year of dedication! These folks take the time from their busy lives and careers to ensure this wonderful organization continues to succeed and it would not be possible without their hard work, so thank you. And a special shout out to our Past President, **Cate Carlyle**, for making my transition into the role as President as seamless as possible. I aspire to provide **Emily Blackmore** this coming year with as much patience, kindness and support as you have done for me!

I hope that you enjoy the rest of the Bulletin, it takes a lot of effort from many folks to compile this engaging and informative document and it is very much appreciated.

Warm Regards,

**Krystal Dionne**

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