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From the President's Desk



Summer 2021

Marc Harper



APLA has made it through another trying year. However, instead of merely keeping our heads above water during our first entire COVID-themed fiscal year, our Association has managed to move forward and accomplish great things.

Our virtual conference, hosted by Acadia University, was a big success as evidenced by the positive feedback and engagement from attendees. As someone who only saw a glimpse of the “behind the scenes” efforts of Acadia and APLA’s information technology personnel and other volunteers, I can say that many things could have gone wrong, but they didn’t, thanks to the efforts of all involved. Our keynote speakers, **Camille Callison** and **Gerald Gloade**, provided moving sessions on the very timely topics of fostering relationships with and respecting the cultures of Indigenous communities.

Although the initiatives and activities we engaged in this past year were limited, we took advantage of these digital times we live in. We formed a working group which networked with other library associations across the country to compare our executive structures, policies & procedures, and initiatives we are considering. This working group sought the opinion of our members via SurveyMonkey; responses were both helpful and appreciated.

With the new fiscal year comes new members to our [Executive Committee](#). This year, APLA welcomes:

- **Cordelia Perry** as VP Membership
- **Chantale Saulnier** as VP New Brunswick
- **Su Cleyle** as VP Newfoundland and Labrador
- **Victoria Volkanova** as Secretary
- **Kate McClintock** as Bulletin Co-Editor
- **Keri McCaffrey** as Technology Coordinator (formerly known as Webmaster)
- **Nicole Rosenow-Redhead** as Advocacy Committee Chair
- **Margaret Vail**, although not new to APLA, is the new VP Nova Scotia after having served as a very efficient Webmaster (now known as Technology Coordinator) for several years.

Although some COVID measures remain in place, we are seeing more face-to-face encounters and I hope to meet as many members in person as possible during my time as President. A big thank you to my two predecessors, **Trecia Schell**, whose year as President was interrupted by COVID, and **Ann Smith**, whose entire 12 months as President were hampered by COVID. Trecia and Ann's dedication, resourcefulness, and creativity kept APLA running through unique and complicated times.

Beyond former presidents, the collaboration of every single volunteer during these trying times has proven that the Atlantic Provinces Library Association truly is greater than the sum of its parts.

Marc Harper

APLA President 2021 – 2022
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Membership has its rewards! (CLICK on 01 to 06 for more details) and [here](#) for the calendar.

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6 WAYS THE PARTNERSHIP ENRICHES MEMBER LEARNING AND BENEFITS

The Partnership is Canada's national network of provincial and territorial library associations. The Partnership meets twice a year to collaborate and to develop services and programs for members of their respective associations. More than 7,800 people who work for or with the library and information management sector belong to the associations that make up The Partnership.

The associations that make up the Partnership include: l'Association des bibliothécaires du Québec - Quebec Library Association (ABQLA); Atlantic Provinces Library Association (APLA); British Columbia Library Association (BCLA); Library Association of Alberta (LAA); Manitoba Libraries Association (MLA); Nunavut Library Association (NLA); Newfoundland and Labrador Library Association (NLLA); Nova Scotia Library Association (NSLA); Northwest Territories Library Association (NWTLA); Ontario Library Association (OLA); Saskatchewan Library Association (SLA); Yukon Library Association (YLA)

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The Partnership's *Continuing Education Certificate (CEC)* is a national program administered by the Library Association of Alberta on behalf of The Partnership.

As a CEC program participant you will:

- Plan and document your learning and professional development by activity type and subject areas;
- Collect points annually, based on learning activities, over the program period of three years;
- Receive a certificate of completion and a full record of your learning activities.

Visit <http://bit.ly/ContinuingEducationCertificate> for more information.

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EDUCATION INSTITUTE (EI)

The *Education Institute (EI)* is a continuing education program for library information workers developed by The Partnership. Annually, there are three EI Semesters. The Winter semester runs from January - April; the Spring/Summer semester runs from May - August, and the Fall semester runs from September - December. Each semester is promoted through a calendar. Members of the Partnership receive discounts on webinars and annual institutional subscriptions are available.

Visit <http://bit.ly/EducationInstitute> for upcoming events and more information.

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The Partnership Job Board lists positions available to library and information personnel from coast to coast to coast. The Partnership Job Board was developed and is managed by the British Columbia Library Association (BCLA) to support members of The Partnership. The Job Board is free to job seekers and is a paid service for employers. The employer is responsible for all job posting content. BCLA does not participate in the hiring process and does not forward messages or applications to employers. The cost to post is \$55 for institutional members of a provincial or territorial library association in the Partnership, and \$85 for non-members.

Visit <https://partnershipjobs.ca/> for more information.



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THE LIBRARY MARKETPLACE

Library associations in the Partnership receive discounts from *The Library Marketplace*. Associations are also provided with a variety of product marketing tools like "the store in a box".

Visit <https://www.thelibrarymarketplace.com/> for more information.



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06 PERKOPOLIS



Individual members of library associations in the Partnership are offered an opportunity to take advantage of some very good savings on many products and services in entertainment, hotels, shopping, and travel. This offer is available through The Partnership at **Perkopolis** and is accessible through a code which is available through your association's office.

Visit <https://www.perkopolis.com/> for more information.

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THE PARTNERSHIP JOURNAL

PARTNERSHIP: The Canadian Journal of Library and Information Practice and Research is the journal of the Partnership. The Journal promotes the exchange of ideas about libraries, librarianship, and information science among practitioners across all library sectors. We are a Canadian, open access journal publishing double-blind peer-reviewed research and editorially reviewed articles and opinion pieces.

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Feature Articles

APLA 2021 Conference Experience Report

Agnieszka Hayes, Recipient of APLA First Timer's Conference Grant

I am honoured to be a recipient of the APLA First Timer's Conference Grant for the APLA 2021 Conference: Cross-Pollinate. Cultivate. Change. The virtual conference was well-organized and fun to attend, so kudos to the conference committee for a job very well done!

I played a few roles at this conference. I presented an APLA Talk titled "Accessibility in Collection Development Policies in Academic Libraries in Nova Scotia, Ontario, and Manitoba: A Content Analysis." Along with Maggie Neilson, I co-presented a Lightning Talk titled "The Kids Are Alright: Supporting Parent Patrons at Acadia University's Vaughan Memorial Library." I moderated Lindsay Tyler's (Senior Manager at CELA) APLA Talk titled "Accessible Formats – What, Where, When and How!?"

As the Convener of APLA's Information Literacy Interest Group, I attended APLA's OGM. And, of course, I attended many informative, entertaining, and thought-provoking presentations. The keynote presentations by Camille Callison and Gerald Gloade were particular highlights of my overall conference experience. I also participated in the pre-conference workshop "Cultivating Innovation: A Workshop to Improve Facilitation and Problem Solving to Creatively Drive Change." I hope to include the lessons that I learned from the workshop, as well as from the presentations, into my work, and thereby embody the spirit of the conference theme.

I am very grateful that I had the opportunity to attend this conference, and I wish to thank APLA for sponsoring my attendance with the First Timer's Conference Grant.

Respectfully submitted by Agnieszka Hayes

APLA's Games at the Library 2021

Jennifer Devlin, Games @ the Library Co-Convener

APLA's Games at the Library will take place from **October 17 – October 23, 2021**. We understand that due to Covid-19, hosting a game-themed event at your library is more challenging than ever before, so we have provided a list of games on the [website](#) that can be played in smaller groups while maintaining social distance. Feel free to get creative, but keep it safe by adhering to federal and provincially mandated guidelines.

We believe it is important, now more than ever, to provide opportunities to community members to practice self-care through fun experiences and to connect with community in safe ways. Self-care and connection are two important mental health practices during these unprecedented times.

Due to Covid-19, ballots will be filled out on behalf of participants by library staff in black pen. Ballots will then be scanned and sent as an email attachment to games@apla.ca. Tally sheets can be scanned and sent as an attachment to this address as well—library staff also have the option of answering all tally sheet information in the body of the email. Please ensure that all ballots are legible and scanned so that they are easy to print and cut out.

This year, the prize is a \$175 online gift card to EB Games, which is redeemable in store or on their website. The library where the winning participant played will be notified, and the online gift card will be sent directly to the winner's email address provided on the ballot.

The Nova Scotia Community College Graphic Design class of 2020 designed the new logos and editable posters for APLA's Games at the Library. All promotional items for this year's event are available only through the [website](#) due to file sizes.



There will be Games at the Library listservs and social media posts in the coming weeks!

Please contact games@apla.ca if there are any difficulties or questions.

News from APLA Library Staff and Technicians Interest Group

André Vietinghoff, Convener of APLA Library Staff and Technicians Interest Group

The Library Staff and Technicians Interest Group includes approximately thirty members at this time. The new convener for this group is Andre Vietinghoff, who can be contacted via email at libtech@apla.ca. Assisting the convener is Alexandra Tome, who will be joint owner of the Interest Group email account and can also be contacted at libtech@apla.ca.

Our special Interest Group will begin this season by focusing on current concerns of library technicians and non-professional library staff who are members of APLA. We have also sent a letter of introduction to Shawn Connors, Academic Chair of the Library and Information Technology Program at Nova Scotia Community College, with the hope of establishing a rapport between APLA and the LIT program. We welcome not only communications from you but also new members.

News from New Brunswick

News from Mount Allison

Laura Landon, Head, Access Services, R.P. Bell Library



The R.P. Bell Library re-opened its stacks for browsing in mid-July, welcoming both Mount Allison patrons and community members back into the building. With New Brunswick dropping its emergency COVID measures on July 30, Mount Allison has responded with a hybrid re-opening plan. As of August, the Library no longer requires contact-tracing information or registration to enter the building. While masking is not mandatory, we encourage it.

COVID procedures have been challenging for all libraries, but they also brought us some good things. We'll be keeping COVID-inspired innovations such as the Library to Go "curbside" pick-up service. Students also told us they liked our Book a Seat room-booking system. All rooms will remain bookable, with a selection of seats throughout the building bookable in advance.

As we enter New Brunswick's "green" phase of COVID reopening, we remain cautious and realize we may need to adjust quickly if circumstances change. Libraries have learned plenty since the pandemic began—particularly about the resilience and flexibility of our staff and patrons, who have led and adapted to COVID procedures with creativity and patience.

Staff News:

Congratulations to Public Services Librarian **Elizabeth Millar**, who was honoured by the Mount Allison Student Union (MASU) with a MASU Hall of Fame Award in Spring 2021. Unveiled in an online ceremony featuring student presenters in a variety of locations across campus, the award is "given to a person (staff, student, or faculty) who has made an exceptional and outstanding contribution and commitment to student life and the Mount Allison community over a number of years."

Mount Allison was pleased to host Dalhousie School of Information Management student **Emily Hillman** on a practicum in Spring 2021. Emily helped the Library on a number of projects, including the Novanet online help service, Mount Allison Libraries' online chat reference, collection development, and building a LibGuide on the Kanopy streaming video service. We wish her the best with the remainder of her studies and in her future endeavours as a librarian.

Renée Belliveau, who has worked with the Mount Allison Libraries & Archives in a variety of capacities since 2018, is serving as Acting University Archivist in the 2021-22 academic year, while Archivist **David Mawhinney** is on sabbatical. Renée has worked on numerous archival projects, including several [virtual exhibitions](#). In 2020, she completed her Master of Information from the University of Toronto, with dual concentrations in Archives & Records Management and Library & Information Sciences.

Jason MacDonald has accepted a four-year position as Library Renovation Project Coordinator for the R.P. Bell Library effective July 2021. The Library is Mount Allison's next major renovation project, and preparations for a future move out of the building are underway. Jason will work closely with University Librarian **Dianne Keeping** to guide the move out of and back into the building. Jason comes to the position with 20 years of experience in academic libraries, most recently as Head of Access Services and Interlibrary Loans in 2020-21, helping to guide frontline staff and patrons through the Library's COVID practices. Prior to that, Jason served as Interlibrary Loans Coordinator from 2016-2020.

Alexandra Tome joined the Library's Technical Services department in August 2021 as an Inventory and Withdrawal Clerk. Alex was the E-Learning Library Technician at Humber College in Ontario until she recently relocated to New Brunswick. She will be helping with Mount Allison's collections reconfiguration during our upcoming migration to the Alma ILS, and with our renovation over the next four years.

The Libraries & Archives welcomed **Gavin Goodwin** as our new term Creative Arts Librarian, beginning in August 2021 until June 30, 2022. A recent graduate of McGill University's Master of Information Studies program, Gavin worked as a student Reference Librarian at Concordia University for a year and as a librarian intern at the Canadian Music Centre in Montreal. In addition to his librarian degree, Gavin holds Bachelor's and Master's degrees in music, with substantial experience in both performing and teaching music.

News from New Brunswick Public Library Services

Kate Thompson, Head of Public Services Development/Chef du développement des services publics

In June, it was announced that planning is underway to open five large, urban libraries seven days a week on a permanent basis. In the fall, Campbellton Centennial Library, Mgr. W.-J. Conway Public Library (Edmundston), Fredericton Public Library, Moncton Public Library, and the Saint John Free Public Library – Central Branch will be open from Sunday to Saturday. These libraries had been open seven days a week since May 2016 as part of a pilot initiative, but were operating on reduced hours during the COVID pandemic.

Our pass lending partnerships have continued this summer. At different points over the last few months, NB Public Library patrons have been able to check out passes to the Village Historique Acadien, the Fundy Trail Parkway, Kings Landing, and the Huntsman Fundy Discovery Aquarium. This year to date, nearly 13,000 passes have been loaned through these partnerships.

NB Public Libraries have been working with Nova Scotia Public Libraries and Halifax Public Libraries to promote the Atlantic Publishers Marketing Association's *100 eBooks: All Atlantic Canadian. All Accessible* campaign. The campaign features new releases and backlist titles (in English and French) from Atlantic Canada that have accessible features. These eBooks have been made available in OverDrive and Prenumerique for simultaneous use for a limited time.

Management of the NBPLS Books by Mail Service has been decentralized. Patrons who require library materials to be sent to their mailing address will now be served by their local library rather than the Library Services by Mail unit that was formerly located in Moncton.

The Médiathèque Père Louis Lamontagne in Miramichi has changed its name. It is now called Carrefour Beausoleil Library. The change was made to better align the name of the library with the school in which it is located – Centre Communautaire Carrefour Beausoleil.

News from Newfoundland and Labrador

News from Memorial University Libraries

Kristine Power, Communications Advisor, Memorial University Libraries

University News:

To support the return to primarily in-person teaching and learning for fall semester 2021, all Memorial employees returned to work on campus on Tuesday, July 13.

Memorial welcomed **Dr. Florentine Strzelczyk** to [the role of Provost and Vice-President](#) (Academic).

Catharyn Andersen was appointed as Memorial's first Vice-President (Indigenous). The position focuses on continuing to build meaningful relationships with Indigenous Peoples and [advancing Indigenization](#). Ms. Andersen has served as special advisor to the president on Indigenous affairs since 2015 and led the creation of the first [Strategic Framework for Indigenization](#).

Research

We have successfully allocated Memorial University Libraries' Open Access Author Fund for the 2021/2022 fiscal year.

Employee News

Associate Dean **Janet Bangma** has been appointed [Interim Dean of Libraries](#) effective July 19, 2021, and ending July 18, 2022, or upon completion of a successful search for a permanent dean, whichever occurs first.

Alison Ambi, Head of Collections Strategies, has been appointed interim Associate Dean of Libraries. Her term began on Friday July 23rd.

Cindy Cranford joined the Libraries from Memorial's Financial and Administrative Services. Cindy, eventually, will be assuming the responsibilities as the Administrative Staff Specialist in QEII but is currently in the interim role of assistant to the Dean of Libraries.

Cool Stuff

Under the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador's COVID Alert Level 2, Memorial University Libraries branches are [re-opened](#) to students, faculty, and the public. The Libraries will continue to use

their [online booking system](#) to provide access to study spaces to meet contact-tracing requirements. [In-person appointments](#) for materials in the Archives and Special Collections and the Centre for Newfoundland Studies are still required.

Check out the [Q and A](#) with our new Graduate Studies Librarian **Natalia Barykina**.

Manager of Library Facilities, **Rob Ball**, has been working on freshening up our student study spaces during the various pandemic shutdowns. We are excited to unveil some old spaces with new carpet, fresh paint, and furniture this Fall. This was completed in part thanks to funding from the Student Support Improvement Grant.



QEII Library employee **Dennis Flynn** was named a winner in the senior visual arts award category in the 2021 Arts and Letters Award Program. A fulsome story on Dennis can be found [here](#).

News from Newfoundland and Labrador Public Libraries

Emma Craig, Regional Librarian, St. John's, Newfoundland & Labrador Public Libraries

Newfoundland and Labrador Public Libraries is happy to announce the appointment of **Bonnie Morgan** to the position of Director of Library Operations for the Provincial Information and Library Resources Board.

Bonnie holds a PhD in Newfoundland and Labrador History, a Master of Library and Information Studies, and a Bachelor of Laws. She has held numerous positions within the NLPL system, as well as serving on the Board of Directors of the Writer's Alliance of Newfoundland and Labrador. Bonnie is an award-winning author, with her work focusing on the role of women in Newfoundland and Labrador's history.

Bonnie's twenty years of experience as a professional librarian and vast knowledge of library operations will surely benefit public libraries within Newfoundland and Labrador. We wish her luck in her new position!



Provincial Information and Library Resources Board's newly appointed Director of Library Operations, Bonnie Morgan

News from Nova Scotia

News from Dalhousie Libraries

Marlo MacKay, Communications Coordinator, Dalhousie Libraries

Congratulations and Goodbye to Ann Barrett

On June 30, our colleague **Ann Barrett** wrapped up a long and successful career at Dalhousie. As a tribute to the accomplished career Ann has had, we would like to share a few highlights with you, with thanks to colleagues **Gail Fraser** and **Jan Pelley** for providing many of the details.

Ann graduated with her MLIS from Dalhousie in 1981 and worked at the Kellogg Library as an intern from 1979–81. Before making the Kellogg Library her permanent workplace, she worked as Hospital Librarian at Tawam Hospital in the United Arab Emirates and at the Saint John Regional Hospital in New Brunswick.

In 1986, Ann returned to the Dalhousie Libraries, where she held a number of positions in public services, document delivery, systems, and for many years was the Liaison Librarian for the School of Nursing and for the Divisions of Pediatrics, Oncology/Hematology, and Obstetrics & Gynecology. Following several leaves from Dalhousie, working at the University of Papua New Guinea and later at the Institute for Marine Biosciences Library, National Research Council, Ann became Head of Public Services in the Kellogg Library, and supervised many staff and library interns over the years.

In her last role as Associate Dean Scholarly Communications and Head of the W. K. Kellogg Health Sciences Library, Ann coordinated collections, liaison services, and communications and operations at the local level for the two spaces under the Kellogg banner: the Kellogg Library Learning Commons in the Collaborative Health Education Building and the Kellogg Health Sciences Library in the Sir Charles Tupper Medical Building. As the Associate Dean Scholarly Communications, she led a team of librarians and staff from across the Dal Libraries in the development of Open Educational Resources production services; the consolidation of Dal Libraries services under the Research Commons umbrella; the implementation of the University's research information system UNIWeb; and increased capacity for bibliometric analysis and services, Open Access support, and digital preservation via our institutional repository DalSpace.



Ann Barrett

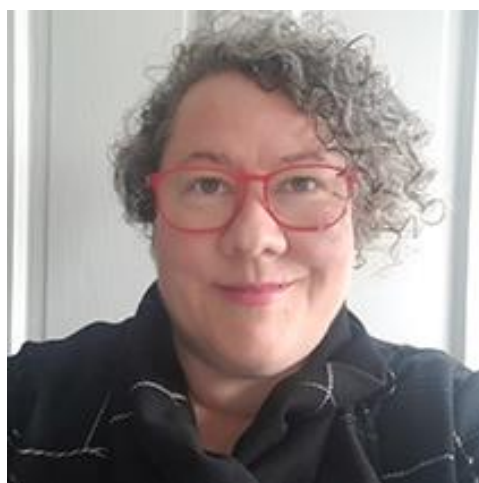
It would be impossible to list all of Ann's impressive accomplishments and achievements from her 35 years with us, so we will share just a few where she was a trail blazer. In 1999, Ann initiated the first implementation of a proxy service for the Dal Libraries, and from 2003–2005, she coordinated the implementation of the Learning Commons in the Kellogg Health Sciences Library. Ann acted as project manager for the implementation of WorldCat Local in 2009, Dalhousie Libraries' first discovery layer, and she coordinated the implementation and evaluation of a Single Service Point in the Kellogg Library, a first for the Dalhousie Libraries, in 2012.

More recently, Ann coordinated the planning for the move of the Kellogg Health Sciences Library staff and collections into new and renovated spaces in the CHEB and the Tupper Building. We will always think of Ann during our annual Research Bootcamp for RAs and TAs and the Summer Shine presentation event for MI interns, two enduring initiatives that were both conceived of by Ann.

Ann was truly dedicated to providing the best service to library users; she was always passionate about the education and training of staff, as well as mentoring library interns and early career librarians. She was a calm and measured voice on the Libraries' senior leadership team and a source of inspiration and innovation.

Thank you, Ann, for your tremendous leadership, dedication, and unwavering collegial approach to your work, especially during the upheaval of the past year!

New Associate Dean Research & Scholarly Communications and Head of the W.K. Kellogg Health Sciences Library



Melissa Helwig

Please join us in welcoming **Melissa Helwig** (she/they) to the role of Associate Dean Research & Scholarly Communications and Head of the Kellogg Library. Melissa has been with the Dalhousie Libraries since 2012, serving as an Information Services Librarian based in the Kellogg Health Sciences Library.

Melissa has worked as a Health Sciences Librarian for just over 15 years. In her previous role with the Dalhousie Libraries, she was focused on supporting the College of Pharmacy, Faculty of Medicine, and the School of Health Administration. As an Information Services Librarian, she participated in a variety of initiatives like Research Bootcamp, the Scholarship at Dalhousie Libraries Series, and the International Student Support Strategy group.

As Associate Dean Research & Scholarly Communications, Melissa will be providing leadership to a portfolio that looks to support researchers, faculty, students, and staff through the research lifecycle

including services and systems that enable scholarly communications, open science, data management and research analytics. This includes initiatives such as the Dalhousie Current Research Information System – UNIWeb.

As Head of the W. K. Kellogg Health Sciences Library, Melissa will provide leadership in the development and provision of knowledgeable and flexible library services and scholarly resources at the local level for the two spaces under the Kellogg banner: the Kellogg Library Learning Commons in the Collaborative Health Education Building and the Kellogg Health Sciences Library in the Sir Charles Tupper Medical Building.

Melissa is a member of the Maritime Health Libraries Association, the Aligning Health Needs and Evidence for Transformative Change: A JBI Centre of Excellence at Dalhousie University, and the AFMC Network on Libraries. She is a member and the Continuing Education Director for the Canadian Health Libraries Association.

We Remember Cornelia Hahn Oberlander

The Dalhousie Libraries mourns the passing of **Cornelia Hahn Oberlander** on May 22.

Ms. Oberlander was an award-winning landscape architect based in Vancouver who generously donated her professional collection to the Dalhousie Libraries in 2019. The donation included books, journals, pamphlets, and garden tour guidebooks.

Born in Muelheim-ruhr, Germany, Ms. Oberlander graduated from Harvard University's Graduate School of Design in 1947. She was named a fellow in both the Canadian and American Societies of Landscape Architects, and in 2017 she was appointed as a Companion of the Order of Canada. She was also an early advocate of universal design, including accessibility considerations in her designs.



Cornelia Hahn Oberlander

More information about the Oberlander collection at the Dalhousie Libraries can be found [here](#).

2021 OER Grant Recipients

Congratulations to the 2021 OER grant recipients! These grants are offered in partnership by the Dalhousie Libraries and the Centre for Learning & Teaching through the support of Dalhousie's Strategic Initiative Funding. The grant provides support for Dalhousie educators who are interested in adapting or creating an Open Educational Resource (OER).

- **Dr. Letitia Meynell**, Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
An Inclusive Applied Ethics Primer: A Global Approach to the Basics of Ethical Thinking
- **Dr. Sorayya Askari**, Assistant Professor, School of Occupational Therapy, Faculty of Health
Research Methods and Evidence-based Practice for Occupational Therapists
- **Dr. Linda R. MacDonald**, University Teaching Fellow, Rowe School of Business, Faculty of Management
Canadian Business Communication for Success
- **Hannah Steeves**, Reference & Instruction Librarian, Sir James Dunn Law Library, Schulich School of Law
Canadian Legal Research Skills: A Practical Approach
- **Dr. Leanne Stevens**, University Teaching, Department of Psychology & Neuroscience, Faculty of Science Fellow &
Dr. Jennifer Stamp, University Teaching Fellow, Department of Psychology & Neuroscience, Faculty of Science
Canadianization and Indigenization of Introduction to Psychology and Neuroscience

More details, including project abstracts and grant amounts are available [here](#).

Dalhousie Libraries/CRKN Agreement Gathers APC Discount with Elsevier

Dalhousie Libraries commits a major portion of our collections budget annually toward subscriptions to Elsevier journals. So, it is with pleasure we can announce that through our ongoing partnership with the Canadian Research Knowledge Network (CRKN), we will see a significant change in our agreement with Elsevier in the coming three years.

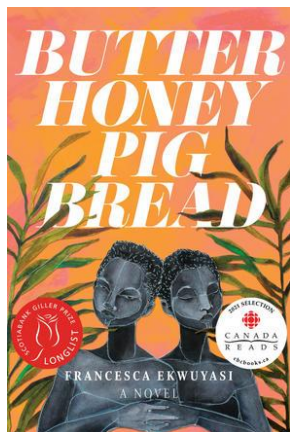
After a year of negotiations, CRKN's [Content Strategy Committee](#) (CSC) has [announced an agreement](#) that increases open access, reduces subscription costs, and allows for transparency of subscription package costs:

- A **20% discount on Article Processing Charges (APCs)** for both hybrid and gold open access journals. *Cell Press, Lancet*, and some other society-owned journals are excluded.
- A **12.5% reduction in the subscription price** for 2021, followed by a 0% change for 2022, and a **2% increase** for 2023 for all journals in the Freedom Collection, including former *Academic Press* journals, with no loss of perpetual access rights.
- No confidentiality or non-disclosure clause, which allows the license terms to be shared.

These changes demonstrate the value of negotiating at a national level. Dalhousie researchers will see some relief on APCs and the Dalhousie Libraries will be able to free up collections funds to reinvest in other much-needed resources.

The details on how to receive the **20% discount on article processing charges** are [available on our LibGuide page](#), and CRKN have confirmed that Elsevier will provide the discount retroactive to January 1, 2021.

Dal Reads 2021/22 Title Announcement



This year's Dal Reads book is *Butter Honey Pig Bread* by **Francesca Ekwuyasi**! [Watch the reveal video](#) with the author. The eBook is available for unlimited simultaneous borrowing for members of the Dalhousie community.



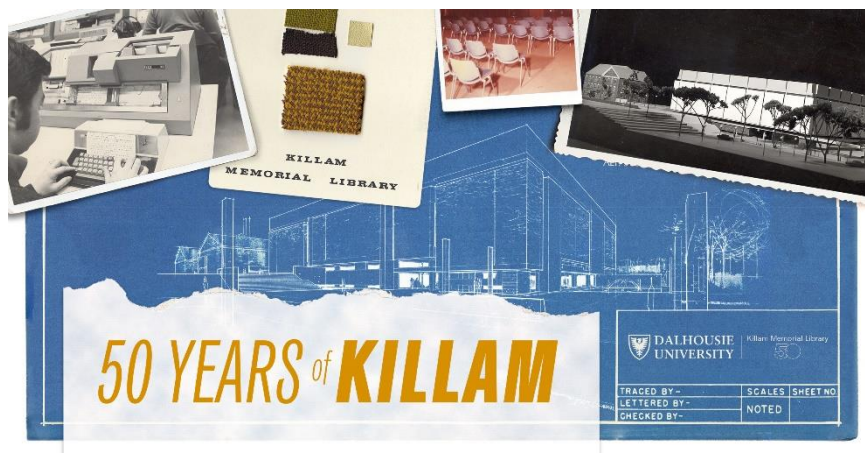
Francesca Ekwuyasi

A “Brutalist” Beauty: the Killam Library on its 50th anniversary

The Killam Memorial Library officially opened in March 1971. On the 50th anniversary of this landmark building's opening, we explored the origins of the Killam Library, why it looks the way it does, and what other buildings on Dalhousie's campus and across Canada are its “siblings.”

Professor Christine Macy, former Dean of the Faculty of Architecture & Planning, took us on an illustrated tour of the Killam Library, interpreting it through the lens of post-WWII reconstruction in Europe and nation-building in Canada.

To learn more about the history of the Killam Memorial Library, visit our [digital timeline](#) and watch the video of Professor Macy's lecture [here](#).



Staff News

Hello!

Carlina Gillis is the new Resources Licensing Manager responsible for collections budgets, the negotiation of electronic resource licenses and invoice processes, communication with consortial groups, and liaison with vendors.



Carlina Gillis

Gordon Ashley is new Evening Supervisor at the Sir James Dunn Law Library.



Gordon Ashley

Thomas Zuberbuehler is the new Library and Geographic Information System Developer; he will be a part of the Academic Technology Services unit and will work very closely with the Data & GIS team.

Goodbye!



Helen Wojcik

After almost 44 years at Dalhousie University; **Helen Wojcik**, Manager, Access Services at the Killam Library retired earlier this year.



Anne-Marie White

Anne-Marie White, Circulation Supervisor at the Sir James Dunn Law Library, retired after 24 years with the Dalhousie Libraries.

Roger Brush retired after a long career with Dalhousie that started in 1987. He joined the Dalhousie Libraries part of the Classroom Technologies Team in Academic Technology Services in 2017.



Roger Brush, pictured third from left in the back row, with the rest of the Classroom Technologies Team; Director of ATS Marc Comeau; Manager of Services, Support & Training for ATS Mick Bottom; former Dalhousie President Richard Florizone; and Dean of Libraries Donna Bourne-Tyson.



Deborah Hemming

Deborah Hemming left her term librarian position at Dalhousie to take a position at Acadia.

News from Prince Edward Island

News from Prince Edward Island Library Services

Krystal Dionne: Branch Technician, Montague Rotary Library; PEI Public Library Service

Programming

The PEI Public Library Service has continued with Crafts to Go, featuring weekly offerings for children of all ages throughout the summer as well as kits for teens and adults!



The TD Summer Reading Club (SRC) is back this summer! We have continued with some virtual programming via Zoom, offering programs like: Comic Club, Evil Genius Club, and Storytime! The TD Summer Reading club has also included bilingual digital escape rooms and photo scavenger hunts! For teens and adults there is a bilingual BINGO game with prizes throughout the summer.

We have also been able to offer a variety of outdoor SRC programs across the Island, following approved health protocols... and weather pending! These have included: History Walks, Tai Chi, Science Demonstrations, Stories & Stretches, Nature Clubs, & Much More. A variety of Storywalks have been making their way around PEI communities this summer as well!

Organizations such as Parks Canada and the Humane Society have also been visiting different libraries to share presentations with community members ☺



Initiatives

We have continued to add new items to our popular Library of Things collection, including Board Games and Walking Poles!



Other News

The Georgetown Genevieve Soloman Memorial Library recently moved into the Georgetown Elementary School. It is a beautiful, bright new space and will provide this small school with access to the entire PEI Public Library Service collection while still being open to the general public.



News from Robertson Library, University of Prince Edward Island

Donald Moses, University Librarian

Preparing for Fall 2021

We have been reviewing guidance from the University and the province's Chief Public Health Office to inform our preparations for Fall 2021. About 75% of classes are planned to be offered in-person. We have reopened our stacks for browsing, have discontinued our Click and Collect service, and are no longer quarantining returned books given recent evidence. We are monitoring as the situation continues to evolve. More information about our operations during COVID-19 are available on our [website](#).

Staffing

User Experience & Collections Librarian **Melissa Belvadi** completed her sabbatical and we welcomed her return on July 1, 2021.

Keri McCaffrey's term appointment as a Liaison Librarian ended at the end of July 2021. We thank her for all of her contributions and wish her the best.

During the summer we posted several positions at the Library, including a term Systems Librarian, term Metadata Librarian, 2 part time Circulation positions, and Student Assistants. An advertisement for a Systems Librarian will be posted shortly.

We were fortunate to receive three Young Canada Works grants this summer. We hired **Alex Wood** to help prepare an updated inventory of our Art Inventory, **Mingyu Shim** to work in the Digitization Lab on our ongoing newspaper digitization project, and **Megan MacEachern** as our OER Program Associate to help support the Library's OER Program.

Student **Alexander Chang** was also hired to work in the Digitization Lab, and we were fortunate to have co-op student **Varesh Kumar Beeharry** work with us on a variety of projects, including the migration of our research data repository.

Librarians and staff participated in a variety of learning and professional development activities during the summer, including the Atlantic Provinces Library Association Conference, the annual Evergreen Conference, WILU: Workshop for Instruction in Library Use Conference, the American Library Association conference, and First Aid training.

Open Textbook Initiative

Following ongoing UPEI Student Union advocacy, the province has provided UPEI with additional funding to carry on its support for the development and hosting of OER resources. We plan to put out a call for grant applications in the Fall of 2021.

WiFi Update

The UPEI campus updated their wireless access method and now all users can connect to the wireless network using [Eduroam](#). This will be helpful for anyone visiting UPEI from other institutions that use Eduroam.