Hidden Gems for 2024 TLA

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TLA President
Picks - your guide to excellence

Making your Library Browsable, Dynamic, and Inviting
- Concurrent Session Panel (60 minutes)
  - Primary Topic: Librarianship
  - Target Audience: PreK-12 School
  - Unit Picks: Texas Association of School Librarians

Mara Rockliff
- Author: Signing

Meg Medina
- Author: Signing

Not Your Ordinary Book Tasting, Research That!
- Concurrent Session Panel (60 minutes)
  - Primary Topic: Librarianship
  - Target Audience: PreK-12 School

Storytelling 101: How to Engage Audiences with Oral Storytelling
- Concurrent Session Presentation (60 minutes)
  - Primary Topic: Literature
  - Target Audience: Public
  - Unit Picks: Storytelling RT

TAYSHAS Showcase
- Concurrent Session Panel (60 minutes)
  - Primary Topic: Literature
  - Target Audience: High School
  - Target Audience: Public

Teaching Digital Citizenship with Picture Books
- Concurrent Session Presentation (60 minutes)
  - Primary Topic: Literature
  - Target Audience: Elementary School
  - Unit Picks: President Pick
Journey Maps

I'M GONNA HAVE TO GO INTO THE MAP.
Advocating for Libraries Journey Map

Library Friends Trustees & Advocates Round Table - LiFTA

This journey is for librarians and non-librarians who are looking for ways to advocate, seek possible funding opportunities, or stay informed about current events regarding libraries.

About LiFTA:
Our unit enables library friends, trustees, and supporters to promote and foster the development of library services by exchanging ideas, experiences, and information.

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A Few that I missed

Enhancing Customer Service through Emotional Intelligence
Tuesday, April 16
9:30 - 10:30 am
Explore the intersection of libraries, emotional intelligence, and customer service

Renovating for the Missing Patron
Tuesday, April 16
11:00-12:00 am
Designing your library space for the unmet needs of your community
Elephant in the Library: The Plight of Destructive Leadership in Academic Libraries
Tuesday, April 16
11:00 am - noon
Already a “President’s Pick”, but top score from Academic CPC reviewers

Choose Your OER Adventure! Program Tools to Advance Your Initiative
Friday, April 19
9:45-10:45 am

Student Employment Experience: Development, Implementation, and Effectiveness of a Training and Skills Program
Wednesday, April 17
1:30-2:30 pm
Technology finds

Generating the Future: ChatGPT for Library Workforce Development and Grant Writing
Tuesday, April 16
9:30-10:30 am
An “under the radar” session from TSLAC, but fascinating!

Not Everything Can Go on the Homepage
Tuesday, April 16
11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Step Up Your Game: Building a Strong Foundational Knowledge of Electronic Resources
Friday, April 19
9:45-10:45 am
“Chuck in a Truck” sessions

Bros on a Budget: Renovating a School Library with Limited Funding
Thursday, April 18
8:30-9:30 am
Great panel discussion on space planning with creativity from guybrarians

Level Up Your Library Program with Esports
Thursday, April 18
10:00-11:00 am
Esports is super popular and growing!
Decloaking Wakanda: Creating Space for BIPOC Nerds
Thursday, April 18
10:00-11:00 am

Starting a Musical Instrument Lending Library
Thursday, April 18
2:45-3:45 pm

Travel the World with Google Geo Tools
Wednesday, April 17
11:30 am - 12:30 pm
Librarian In The Classroom

Microprojects: Elevated Library Instruction to Enhance Student Agency
Tuesday, April 16
11:00 am -12:30 pm

Start a Young Authors Program at Your Library!
Wednesday, April 17
3:00 - 4:00 pm

Understanding and Utilizing The Five Kinds of Nonfiction in Your School Library Collection
Thursday, April 18
2:45-3:45 pm

Fostering Inquiry and Creativity with Mini-Projects
Friday, April 19
8:30 - 9:30 AM
Growing In Leadership

Leadership Symposium: Preventing Burnout and the Power of Self Awareness
Tuesday, April 16
11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Getting It All Done: Time Management Strategies for Busy Librarians
Tuesday, April 16
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Choose Your Own Adventure: Leadership and Organizational Theories
Wednesday, April 17
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Trust the Leap: A Declassified Survival Guide for Early Career Library Leaders
Friday, April 19
9:45 - 10:45 AM
Money Talks

Earning Public Service Loan Forgiveness is Easier than Ever!
Tuesday, April 16
9:30 - 10:30 AM

Yes for Success: Making the Right Ask for Fund and Friend Raising
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Bros on a Budget: Renovating a School Library with Limited Funding
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Book Bunches and Beyond: Building Book Communities on a Budget
Friday, April 19
8:30 - 9:30 AM
The Professional In You

Enhancing Customer Service through Emotional Intelligence
Tuesday, April 16
9:30 - 10:30 am

Coaching vs. Managing: Collaborative Staff Development
Wednesday, April 17
10:00 - 11:00 am

Cool Jobs
Thursday, April 18
1:30 - 2:30 PM

How to Have a Crucial Conversation Instead of a Confrontation
Thursday, April 18
2:45 - 3:45 pm
Library Director
McAllen Public Library
Kate Horan, MLS
Take Care of You

Getting It All Done: Time Management Strategies for Busy Librarians
Tuesday, April 16
11:00 am - noon
Learn 4 time management techniques and 4 tech tools

Trauma Informed Care Part 1: Focus on Staff
Wednesday, April 17
10:00-11:00 am
Part 2 on Thursday, April 18, 8:30-9:30 am
Networking & Empowerment

Yes, You Are A Leader
Thursday, April 18, 8:30-9:30 am

Speed Mentoring
Wednesday, April 17
11:30 am - 12:30 pm

TALL Texans Social
Tuesday, April 16, 4:30-5:30
“Best of” Reading List Showcases

TAYSHAS – Wednesday, April 17, 10:00-11:00 am
Texas Maverick Graphic Novels – Wednesday, April 17, 11:30 am-12:30 pm
Texas Little Maverick Graphic Novels – Wednesday, April 17, 1:30-2:30 pm
2 X 2 Reading List Showcase – Wednesday, April 17, 3:00-4:00 pm

Texas Topaz – Thursday, April 18, 8:30-9:30 am
Lone Star – Thursday, April 18, 10:00-11:00 am
SPOT (Spirit of Texas) – Thursday, April 18, 1:30-2:30 pm
Tejas Star – Thursday, April 18, 2:45-3:45 pm
Decloaking Wakanda: Creating Space for BIPOC Nerds  
Thursday, April 18, 10:00-11:00 am

Learn to Tinker with Tinkercad: 3D Print Modeling for Beginners  
Tuesday, April 16, 9:30-10:30 am

I See You: Building Inclusive Graphic Novel Collections for the People  
Tuesday, April 16, 11:00am-noon

The Hive Mind: Defending Intellectual Freedom Together  
Wednesday, April 17, 3:00-4:00 pm