



Executive Board Candidate's Information

Name: Valerie Prilop

Candidate Executive Board Position, President-Elect

Education

- Degree, MS, Library Science
 - Institution, University of North Texas
 - Start Year – 2009 - End Year - 2011
- Degree, MS, Anthropology
 - Institution, University of New Mexico
 - Start Year -1999 - End Year - 2001
- Degree, BA, Communication
 - Institution, University of St. Thomas, Houston
 - Start Year – 1994 - End Year - 1998

Additional Education Information

Consumer Health Information Specialization, Level II, Medical Library Association

Work Experience

- Title, Senior Librarian
 - Institution, The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center
 - Start Date - 01/26/2015 - Present
- Title, Digital Collections Librarian
 - Institution, University of Houston
 - Start Date - 06/01/2011 - End Date - 01/23/2015
- Title, Program Coordinator II
 - Institution, University of Houston
 - Start Date - 05/01/2010 - End Date - 05/31/2011
- Title, Director of Student Publications
 - Institution, Rice University
 - Start Date - 08/01/2007 - End Date - 05/01/2010

Additional Work Experience

- High School Teacher - Houston ISD - 07/2006-06/2007
- High School Teacher - Brazosport ISD - 08/2001-05/2006

TLA Activities

- Executive Board, Representative-at-Large, Special Libraries
 - Dates: 2023-current
- Bylaws Committee, Member
 - Dates: 2022-current
- Special Libraries Division, Alt-councilor

- Dates: 2020-2023
- Queers & Allies Roundtable, Webmaster
 - Dates: 2022-2023

Additional TLA Information

- TALL Texans Mentor, 2022
- Nominating Committee, 2021
- 2021 Annual Conference Program Committee, Co-chair, 2019-2021
- Special Libraries Division, Chair, 2019-2020
- TALL Texans Leadership Institute, Class of 2018
- 2016 Annual Conference Program Committee, 2014-2016
- New Members Roundtable, Conference Booth Committee, 2012
- Digital Libraries Roundtable, Bylaws Committee, 2011

American Library Association Activities

- Rare Books and Manuscripts Section, Assistant Web Editor
 - Dates: 2014-2015
- Rare Books and Manuscripts Section, Publications and Communications Committee
 - Dates: 2012-2015
- University Libraries Section, Communications Committee
 - Dates: 2013-2015

Other Professional Association Membership Information

- Medical Library Association:
- Academy of Health Information Professionals, Distinguished Member, 2023-2026
- Financial Support Jury, 2023-present
- Consumer Connections, Original Articles Editor, 2023-current
- Consumer Connections, Newsletter Committee, 2022-current
- South Central Chapter/Medical Library Association:
- 2022 Annual Meeting Local Arrangements Committee
- Awards and Scholarships Committee, Chair 2020-2021
- Bylaws Committee, 2017-2019

Publications and Presentations

- Prilop, Valerie. "Evaluating a Pandemic Chat Service in a Consumer Health Library," *Journal of Hospital Librarianship*, Volume 23, Issue 1, 2023
- Brackeen, Elizabeth and Valerie Prilop. "Identifying Trends in Consumer Health Book Publishing," contributed paper presentation, South Central Chapter/Medical Library Association Annual Meeting, Oct. 2017
- Prilop, Valerie, Adela V. Justice, and Elizabeth Brackeen. "Recommended Resources for Cancer Patients: Transitioning from Paper Pathfinders to LibGuides," *Journal of Consumer Health on the Internet*, Volume 26, Issue 2, 2017
- Prilop, Valerie, R. Niccole Westbrook, and Elizabeth M. German. "Collaborative Project Development in the Creation of an Interdepartmental Digitization Workflow," *Collaborative Librarianship*, Volume 4, Issue 2, 2012

- Westbrook, R. Niccole, Valerie Prilop, and Elizabeth M. German. "Nerd Thrill Your Users: Collaborating with Reference Librarians to Create an Appealing Gateway to Digital Collections," *Reference Services Review*, Volume 40, Issue 3, 2012
- Prilop, Valerie and R. Niccole Westbrook. "UH Libraries' Houston Negro Hospital Digitization Project," *Archives and Archivists of Color Newsletter*, Volume 26, Number 2, Summer 2011
- Selected Presentations & Posters:
 - "Putting Patrons First: Reorganizing the Stacks to Improve Visibility and Access," poster, South Central Chapter/Medical Library Association Annual Meeting, 2023
 - "If You Build It...? Evaluating a Pandemic Chat Service," poster, Medical Library Association Annual Conference, May 2022
 - "Switching Gears: Making the Move to Special Librarianship," moderator and panelist, Texas Library Association Annual Conference, April 2022
 - "Analyzing the Effectiveness of LibGuide Layout Changes in Increasing User Engagement," poster, South Central Chapter/Medical Library Association Annual Meeting, Oct. 2020
 - Prilop, Valerie and Elizabeth Brackeen. "Elbow Room: Mapping Space in a Consumer Health Library," presentation, South Central Chapter/Medical Library Association Annual Meeting, Oct. 2019
 - "Recruitment and Retention: Building a Diverse Library Workforce," panelist, Texas Library Association Annual Conference, April 2019
 - "Evaluating Library Resources for Underrepresented Populations as Part of an Institutional Diversity Program," poster, South Central Chapter/Medical Library Association Annual Meeting, Oct. 2018
 - Brackeen, Elizabeth and Valerie Prilop. "Consumer Health Book Publishing Trends: Observations and Implications for Libraries," presentation, Texas Library Association Annual Conference, April 2018
 - Prilop, Valerie and Adela V. Justice. "LibGuides as Recommended Resources: How a small staff can make a big difference," poster, Texas Library Association Annual Conference, April 2017
 - Brackeen, Elizabeth, Adela V. Justice, Valerie Prilop, and Sarah Stone. "From Pathfinders to LibGuides in 1000 Easy Steps," TechExpo presentation, South Central Chapter/Medical Library Association Annual Meeting, Oct. 2016
 - "Keeping the Doors Open: Service in Times of Strife," panel organizer and moderator, Texas Library Association Annual Conference, April 2016
 - Prilop, Valerie. "Rusty Reels & Fragile Floppies: Surveying Audiovisual and Digital Materials in Special Collections," poster, American Library Association Annual Conference, July 2014
 - Prilop, Valerie and R. Niccole Westbrook. "The Development and Implementation of an Interdepartmental Digitization Workflow," poster, Digital Library Federation Forum, Oct. 2013
 - German, Elizabeth M., Valerie Prilop, and R. Niccole Westbrook. "Reframing the Digital Library: Making Digital Collections More Relatable to Users," poster, Texas Conference on Digital Libraries, May 2012
 - Prilop, Valerie, Veronica Garza, Mikha Mitchell, and Lisa Tafoya. "Using Non-traditional Libraries as Teaching Tools," presentation, Innovations in Teaching and Learning Technology Conference, Nov. 2010

Honors (Awards, Prizes, Medals, etc.)

- Elizabeth K. Eaton, PhD Research Award, Second Place Contributed Paper, South Central Chapter/Medical Library Association
 - Dates: 2020
- Elizabeth K. Eaton, PhD Research Award, Second Place Contributed Paper, South Central Chapter/Medical Library Association
 - Dates: 2019
- Elizabeth K. Eaton, PhD Research Award, Second Place Contributed Poster, South Central Chapter/Medical Library Association
 - Dates: 2019
- Medical Library Association, Consumer and Patient Health Information Section, Professional Development Award
 - Dates: 2019