

JUNE 2026 ISSUE

# THE HAPPENINGS



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## LETTER FROM THE MLA OFFICE STAFF

June is here and so is a full slate of programs designed to help you grow and connect! Whether you're looking to deepen professional relationships, better support the communities your library serves, or find your footing through organizational change, June has something meaningful for you.

We're kicking this month off on **Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>** with ***Beyond Colleagues & Coworkers: Creating Sustainable Communities for Library Workers*** — a thoughtful exploration of what it really means to support one another in this profession and build connections that truly last.

On **Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>**, join us for ***Removing Barriers and Identifying Resources For Our Communities*** where we'll dig into strategies for serving immigrant communities and forging stronger partnerships across your broader community.

And rounding out the month, join us on **Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup>** for ***How to Effectively Manage Organizational Change***, a timely professional development session for anyone navigating transition, whether you're leading the charge or along for the ride.

Not yet part of the MLA community online? Follow us on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), and [BlueSky](#) to stay up to date on programs, news, and everything happening in Maryland libraries. We'd love to connect with you beyond the inbox.

We look forward to seeing you at these upcoming programs!

Warm regards,  
The MLA Office

**ACRL-MD PRESENTS:****Beyond Colleagues & Coworkers:  
Creating Sustainable Communities  
for Library Workers****Wednesday, June 3, 2026 |  
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.****Location:**

*Discoveries: The Library at the Mall branch  
of the Anne Arundel County Public Library  
2550 Annapolis Mall Road  
Annapolis, MD 21401 United States*

**[Register on mdlib.org.](#)**

***The registration deadline for this  
program was May 20, 2026.***

No matter where we are in our career we still need guidance, support, and belonging. What better organization to facilitate that than Association of College and Research Libraries, Maryland Chapter (ACRL-MD)?!

This half-day workshop will provide you with the space and tools to foster community that is sustainable, equitable, and inclusive for library workers in their early, mid, or late career.

The program will begin with an engaging 'worknote' with Jen Lara, the inaugural Tig H. Krekel director of The Center for Coaching and Mentoring at the United States Naval Academy, and will provide structured activities to build community. Participants will leave with a community roadmap to continue connections beyond the event.

This program has been approved for **2.5 contact hours** of continuing education for attendees. Attendees must stay for the entire program to receive contact hours.

**Program Pricing:****Members: \$25****Non-members: \$37.50****Student, Retired, or Friend****Memberships: \$12.50**

**SUPPORT STAFF DIVISION PRESENTS:**  
**How to Effectively Manage Organizational Change**

**Thursday, June 18, 2026 |**  
**1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

*Arbutus Branch of BCPL  
 855 Sulphur Spring Road  
 Baltimore, MD 21227*

**[Register on mdlib.org](https://mdlib.org)**

Change is a fundamental component of any organization looking to continuously improve and evolve. Everyone handles change differently.

This program offers insight into how to navigate change for the organization and individuals. It will identify barriers and how to break them down.

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## Division, Caucus, Committee, Panel, and Interest Group Meetings

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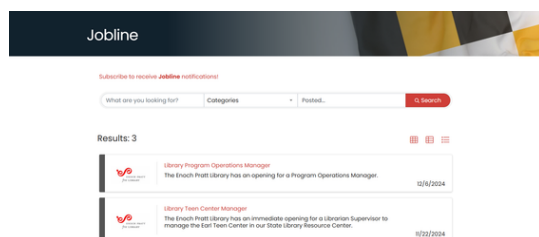
- 2 Readers' Advisory Interest Group Social Event | 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.**  
*Butterflies and Wishes - RSVP Required*  
Contact Meg Faller at [meg.faller@calvertlibrary.info](mailto:meg.faller@calvertlibrary.info)
- 3 BCMLA | 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.**  
*Online via Zoom.*  
Contact Genive Purchase at [gpurchase@prattlibrary.org](mailto:gpurchase@prattlibrary.org)
- Intellectual Freedom Panel | 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.**  
*Online via MLA Connect.*  
Contact Lloyd Jansen at [ljansen@ccplonline.org](mailto:ljansen@ccplonline.org)
- Legislative Panel | 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.**  
*Online via Zoom.*  
Contact Liz Sundermann at [lsundermann@prattlibrary.org](mailto:lsundermann@prattlibrary.org)
- 4 Library Advocacy Interest Group | 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**  
*Online via MLA Connect.*  
Contact Tif Sutherland at [tiffany.sutherland@calvertlibrary.info](mailto:tiffany.sutherland@calvertlibrary.info)
- Adult Services and Reference Division | 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon**  
*Online via MLA Connect.*  
Contact Melissa Lauber at [mлаuber@ccplonline.org](mailto:mлаuber@ccplonline.org)
- 8 Youth Services Division | 11:30 - 2:30 p.m.**  
*Online via MLA Connect.*  
Contact Jessica Letizia at [jletizia@bcpl.net](mailto:jletizia@bcpl.net)
- 11 Support Staff Division | 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.**  
*Catonsville Library of Baltimore County Public Library*  
Contact Maria Jacobs at [imepperl@bcpl.net](mailto:imepperl@bcpl.net)
- 16 MLA Leadership Orientation Day | 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**  
*Howard County Library Elkridge Branch*  
Contact Josh Stone at [mлаexec@mdlib.org](mailto:mлаexec@mdlib.org)
- 17 Steering Committee Meeting | 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**  
*Online via Zoom.*  
Contact Joshua Stone at [mлаexec@mdlib.org](mailto:mлаexec@mdlib.org)
- 18 Marketing Committee | 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.**  
*Online via MLA Connect.*  
Contact Alyssia Gilmore at [gilmore@hcplonline.org](mailto:gilmore@hcplonline.org)
- EDI Panel | 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**  
*Online via Zoom.*  
Contact William Wallace at [wwallace@wicomico.org](mailto:wwallace@wicomico.org)
- Sustainability Interest Group | 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.**  
*Online via MLA Connect.*  
Contact Nicole Hance at [nhance@stmalib.org](mailto:nhance@stmalib.org)
- 22 ACRL-MD | 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.**  
*Online via Zoom.*  
Contact Gaby Messinger at [gmessinger@ubalt.edu](mailto:gmessinger@ubalt.edu)
- 24 Emerging Adults Interest Group | 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.**  
*Online via Zoom.*  
Contact Tisha Chakraborty at [tishac@wicomico.org](mailto:tishac@wicomico.org)

## ADVERTISE WITH THE MARYLAND LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

### JOBLINE

Post job listings on this trusted source for library employers and job seekers, available publicly on mdlib.org.

- \$500 Annual Jobline Subscription
- \$100 One-Time 30-Day Jobline Posting
- \$50 One-Time 2-Week Jobline Posting



### VENDOR DIRECTORY

Showcase your company in this exclusive directory, accessible to the public at mdlib.org and to members in the Info Hub.

- \$300 Corporate Membership

### WEBSITE ADVERTISING

Reach a wide audience with banner ads on the Maryland Library Association website.

- \$450 Large Banner Ad, 1 Year
- \$300 Medium Banner Ad, 1 Year
- \$120 Small Banner Ad, 1 Year

### THE CRAB ADVERTISING

Advertise in our quarterly Crab newsletter that covers news, reports, articles, and events relevant to the library community.

- \$400 Full Page, 1 Year (4 Issues)
- \$225 Half-Page, 1 Year (4 Issues)
- \$150 Full Page, Single Issue
- \$70 Half-Page, Single Issue



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- \$600 Full Page, 1 Year (12 Issues)
- \$350 Half-Page, 1 Year (12 Issues)
- \$95 Full Page, Single Issue
- \$50 Half-Page, Single Issue



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