

In Session:

CALL/ACBD's Newsletter February 2017

From the Executive Board

Renew your CALL/ACBD membership!

Thank you for your dedication in making CALL/ACBD a vibrant network of legal information professionals! We encourage you to continue to grow, learn and work with the CALL/ACBD network of volunteers, committees and SIGs, and see what you can accomplish in 2017.

The Canadian Association of Law Libraries is committed to promoting the networking, professional development and career growth of all law library professionals in Canada, no matter where they work. Your annual membership renewal is an essential part of our continued success!

Renew Now To Vote in the 2017 Board Elections!

You must be a member in good standing in order to vote in the current CALL Board elections. Nominations for the CALL Board closed on January 10th and voting opened on February 1st. All current active members should have received and email with information on voting.

How to Renew?

To renew or update your membership, log in to your profile <u>here</u> with your email and password and follow the instructions there. Don't know your password? Reset it <u>here</u>. The grace period for logging into the membership portal ends on February 28. After this date, you will no longer be able to renew your membership online.

For any membership inquiries, please contact National Office at membership@callacbd.ca

Next Board Meeting

This will take place on **Tuesday February 21st from 1:00 - 3:00 pm EST.** Members are invited to attend. Please contact National Office for details: office@callacbd.ca. An agenda will be posted on the website in advance. Agendas and minutes are all available on the website in the members section under "Member Resources."

CALL/ACBD membership in Canadian Federation of Library Associations

In 2016 Members were surveyed about possible membership in the recently formed <u>Canadian Federation of Library Associations</u>. Overall, members were interested in joining with the CFLA-FCAB. When asked about membership level (1 or 2 vote levels), consensus was that we should join at the 1 vote level. At its November meeting, the CALL/ACBD



Executive Board decided to move forward with the membership at the 1 vote level with a contribution of \$1,000 in the first year. It was decided this would come from the operating budget and not be tied to our member dues or member levels.

On Wednesday, February 1st, CFLA-FCAB will be holding its AGM in Toronto. Election of a permanent board of directors to replace the interim board will be taking place. CALL/ACBD President Connie Crosby will be attending and will provide an update in our next newsletter.

We look forward to participating in the Federation and its initiatives. Any opportunities for participation will be relayed to CALL/ACBD members.

Events



CALL/ACBD 2017 Conference Celebrate Our History | Create Our Future May 7 - 10, 2017 | Ottawa, ON

Mark your calendars! The 2018 CALL/ACBD Conference will be held May 26 - 30 in Halifax, Nova Scotia!

Committee & SIG News

Membership Development Committee

Another successful year is coming to a close for CALL's Mentorship Program. We will begin accepting applications in March for the 2017-2018 mentorship intake.

Whether you're a student, new professional, or long time librarian, participating in mentorship is a rewarding experience and a great way to build your network. Take a look at our <u>mentorship page</u> for an overview of the program and keep your eyes open for the intake announcement in early March!

Member Profile

We all know that library & information sciences have evolved into much more than managing a collection of books. Learn about one member's journey into the world of knowledge management in Five Questions with Yasmin Khan.

Scholarships & Awards Committee

Applications for the James D. Lang Scholarship will close on **Feb. 15th**. For those who cannot afford to pay for professional development on their own, and where the employer is unable to support learning, this scholarship opens



many doors. In the past we have supported attendance at management training, the development of subject-matter expertise (e.g access to justice), and learning new skills (facilitating groups).

Two new prizes, named in honour of Gisèle Laprise and Michael Silverstein, will be given for the first time this year. Nominations close on **Feb. 15th**.

The nomination period for the Denis Marshall Award for Excellence in Law Librarianship has been extended to **March 31, 2017**. Our most prestigious award, this prize is recognition from the CALL community of exceptional contributions to our profession.

For more details on these awards and prizes, please see the descriptions on the website.

Hugh Lawford Award for Excellence in Legal Publishing

Each year, CALL/ACBD honours a publisher (whether for profit or not-for-profit, corporate or non-corporate) which has demonstrated excellence by publishing a work, series or electronic product that makes a significant contribution to legal research and scholarship. Nominations can be submitted to Annette Demers, Past President, Chair of the Hugh Lawford Award Committee ademers@uwindsor.ca before **February 15, 2017**. For more information please click here.

Eunice Beeson Memorial Fund

Eunice Beeson Memorial Travel Fund - the fund was established to assist members of the CALL/ACBD who wish to attend the Annual Meeting, but, for financial reasons, are unable to do so. Bursaries are provided to cover travel expenses and/or accommodation. The deadline for applications is **February 15**, **2017**.Click here for an application.

Announcements

MLIS summer 2017 co-op from FIMS at Western University

Timeline for summer 2017 co-op process:

Jan 9 – Feb 23 Employers invited to submit postings to Co-op Office

Feb 23 Deadline for employers to submit job postings to Co-op office

Feb 27 Student applications due

Feb 28 – Mar 1 Student applications forwarded to employers via emails

March 6 - 24 Interview period (Mon - Fri 8:30am - 4:30pm)

Mar 27 Employer Rankings Due Mar 29 Placement announcements

If you are interested in hiring a co-op student for the summer (May – August) 2017 term please <u>review the attached</u> <u>co-op timeline</u>.

Returning employers with Career Central accounts:

Employers who have already received an employer account from last term will be able to login and a) submit a new job posting or b) update the existing posting from last term. Once the "new" or "revised" posting has been



submitted and approved by the administrator (yours truly), it will go live on the co-op job board for the students to see.

New to Career Central?

Please complete and return the <u>attached employer application form</u> as well as submit a co-op posting to the co-op office (including details about the placement such as duties, skills required, pay rate, contact person to whom the students should address their applications). All new positions will go through an approval process prior to posting. Once approved, I will create an employer account for you on our Career Central site. This site has been designed to centralize and streamline the administrative elements of our co-op process. It will make future co-op participation and re-posting a breeze!



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