

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

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President, CALL/ACBD

## **MEMBERSHIP**

### **Membership Renewal**

Renew your membership today! CALL membership expires on **December 31, 2021**, [renew today](#) to ensure continued benefits.

## **2022 ELECTIONS**

**CALL 2022 Elections**

CALL is pleased to announce that the following CALL/ACBD members have agreed to let their name stand for election to the Executive Board in 2022. Only CALL/ACBD members are eligible to vote, so renew your membership [today](#) and exercise your right to vote in February.

Vice-President Two

- Katherine Melville
- Mary-Jo Petsche

Please contact [Shaunna Mireau](#) no later than **January 10, 2022** if you wish to be added to the ballot. Any member may be added to the ballot if they reach out and provide the names of three members who support their nomination.

### Élections de 2022 de l'ACBD

ACBD a le plaisir de vous annoncer que les membres de la CALL/ACBD ci-dessous ont accepté de poser leur candidature dans le cadre des élections du conseil de direction en 2022. Si nécessaire, les élections auront lieu en février. Seuls les membres de la CALL/ACBD peuvent voter; ainsi, veuillez renouveler votre adhésion [maintenant](#) pour exercer votre droit de vote en février.

2e vice-président(e)

- Katherine Melville
- Mary-Jo Petsche

Veuillez contacter [Shaunna Mireau](#) au plus tard le **10 janvier 2022** si vous souhaitez être ajouté au bulletin de vote. N'importe quel membre peut être ajouté au bulletin de vote s'il contacter avec les noms de trois membres qui soutiennent sa nomination.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **SAVE THE DATE: Government Information SIG Lunch and Learn**

The Government Information SIG invites you to join us for a lunch and learn on **Wednesday, January 26, 2022 from 12:00 - 1:00 PM EST.**

Le Dieu Tran, Data Visualization Librarian at the Ontario Legislative Assembly, will talk to us about finding, refining and using open data.

Topics to be covered will include:

- What is open data, its characteristics, how it fits into the wider open government context
- Examples of types of open data available and how to find it
- Examples of how it is being used by government/legal communities
- My own use of open data at the Assembly

More details and registration information will be available in early January.

## CONFERENCE

### **Update from the 2022 CPC for Conference in Montreal**

Work continues in anticipation of the organization of the 2022 conference to be held in Montreal from May 28 to June 2 under the theme Leading the way!

The program subcommittee is working very hard to develop a program outline while awaiting the results of its call for proposals (transmitted in French and English), the results of which are expected on January 4. Some speakers for the plenary sessions have been identified and steps are currently being taken to verify their interest and availability.

Ideas have been presented by the social activities' subcommittee on the options of venues for social activities and each remains to be assessed in terms of feasibility and availability.

The promotional video was prepared and released by the communications subcommittee. Steps are also taken to identify the application that will be used for the conference.

For its part, the sponsorship sub-committee updated the resource persons for each of the potential sponsors identified.

We would like to point out that according to the rules currently in force in Quebec, conference participants must provide proof of their vaccination against COVID-19.

We hope to see many of you in Montreal!

### **Communiqué du CPC 2022 pour la conférence de Montréal**

Les travaux continuent en prévision de l'organisation de la conférence de 2022 qui se tiendra à Montréal du 28 mai au 2 juin sous le thème à l'Avant-garde!

Le sous-comité du programme travaille très fort à l'élaboration d'un canevas de programme tout en attendant les résultats de son appel à propositions (transmis en français et en anglais) dont les résultats sont attendus pour le 4 janvier. Certains conférenciers pour les plénières ont été identifiées et les démarches sont présentement en cours pour vérifier leur intérêt et leur disponibilité.

Des idées ont été présentées par le sous-comité des activités sociales au niveau des options de lieux pour les activités sociales et il reste à évaluer chacune d'elles en termes de faisabilité et de disponibilité.

La vidéo promotionnelle a été préparée et diffusée par le sous-comité des communications. Des démarches sont également effectuées pour identifier l'application qui sera utilisée dans le cadre de la conférence.

De son côté le sous-comité des commandites a procédé à la mise à jour des personnes ressources pour chacun des commanditaires potentiels identifiés.

Nous tenons à préciser que selon les règles présentement en vigueur au Québec, les participants à la conférence devront fournir une preuve de leur vaccination contre la Covid.

Nous souhaitons vous voir en grand nombre à Montréal!

### **Conference Message - Call for Proposals**

CALL/ACBD currently has approximately 350 members representing a wide variety of law library and legal information interests across Canada. It provides a forum for the exchange of information and ideas among members, fosters cooperation among Canadian law libraries, and plays an active role in promoting access to legal information for all Canadians. We are hosting our annual Conference on May 28, 2022 - June 1, 2022, in Montreal.

This year's theme is "Leading the Way - À l'avant-garde". Legal information professionals have been at the forefront of development in the library and information world. Over the years, we have stepped up as innovators, leaders, creative and open-minded thinkers. Whether as drivers of change or as key partners and collaborators, legal information professionals are making their mark.

The 2022 Conference Planning Committee seeks English or French proposals on topics that reflect our theme, including, but not limited to:

- Innovation and creativity
- HR considerations and developments – Teams, people and organizations
- Space Management (including impact on services)
- EDI – Equity, Diversity & Inclusion
- AI and Future Lawyers – Training, client solutions, practice tools
- New Service Delivery Models
- Access to information
- Reconciliation initiatives, Indigenous and Aboriginal law
- Collaboration and strategic partnerships with information service providers
- Open Science
- Competitive Intelligence

Please complete and submit your [application](#) to [conference@callacbd.ca](mailto:conference@callacbd.ca) before Tuesday, **January 4, 2022**.

## SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

### **Diana M. Priestly Memorial Scholarship**

Notice of the [Diana M. Priestly Memorial Scholarship](#) will be sent to each Canadian Library School and each Canadian Law School in December announcing the availability of the scholarship. The Priestly Scholarship is awarded to an applicant who is combining legal and library education /expertise in various combinations.

Further details are with the application form. If you know of someone who may be qualified, you are encouraged to pass on this information so they can get started. The application deadline is **February 1, 2022**.

### **James D. Lang Memorial Scholarship**

The [James D. Lang Memorial Scholarship](#) also has an application deadline of **February 1, 2022**. The Lang Scholarship is open to members of CALL/ACBD and is intended to support attendance at a continuing education program, whether it be a workshop, a certificate program, or other similar activity which will contribute to your professional expertise and development.

### **Hugh Lawford Award 2022 Nominations Open**

CALL/ACBD is accepting nominations for the 2022 Hugh Lawford Award for Excellence in Legal Publishing.

The Canadian Association of Law Libraries has long had an annual award for excellent legal publishing. Some years ago, we renamed the award we present after Queens University Professor Hugh Lawford (1933-2009) to recognize his contributions to legal publishing in Canada. As a group of legal information specialists, our work depends on being able to access and share high-quality legal knowledge.

We value innovation and this award is open to legal content in all information formats.

The award honours a publisher (whether for-profit or not-for profit, corporate or non-corporate) that has demonstrated excellence by publishing a work, series, website, or electronic product that makes a significant contribution to legal research and scholarship.

Members and non-members of CALL/ACBD are welcome to make nominations. Information about the process is available on our [website](#).

As Past President of CALL/ACBD, I have the honour of Chairing the award committee. Please send your nomination to [Shaunna Mireau](#) before **January 15, 2022**.

The award will be presented to the recipient during the 2022 CALL/ACBD Annual Conference, which will be held in Montreal May 28 - June 2, 2022.

## SIG ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Private Law Libraries Special Interest Group (PLL-SIG)

The Private Law Libraries Special Interest Group (PLL-SIG) has set up Basecamp! ☺ Basecamp is used by SIGs to host meeting minutes, working documents, discussions and more, and is a repository for all PLL-SIG members to use to work on projects and share ideas.

Current members of the PLL-SIG will have received an email invitation shortly; if you are not a current member of the PLL-SIG and you would like to be added to the Basecamp, or if you did not receive your invite, please contact [CALL Head Office](#). If you are a current PLL-SIG member, please check your spam filter before following up with CALL Head Office.

The PLL-SIG also has a [Slack channel](#), with archived content of previous meetings; please contact [Marnie Bailey](#), chair of the PLL-SIG, if you would like to review the SLACK chats.



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