2024 IFLA MCULTP Mini–Conference will explore how libraries and librarians support Multiculturalism and Multilingualism in their communities.

The event will be free and hosted on Zoom on Wednesday May 29 at 8:00 am -1:00pm EST.

PROGRAM

29 May 2024 – Wednesday

8:00 – 8:10 Welcome & Introduction

8:11 – 8:46 Panel – Assessment of LGBTQ+ Materials in East Asian Collection – Cecilia Liuyi Zhang, Chinese Studies Librarian, University of Kansas; Shuqi Ye, East Asian Studies Librarian, University of Minnesota; Bing Wang, Chinese Studies Librarian, Assistant Professor, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

8:47 – 9:02 Presentation – Desetting Moves in the Library: Featuring Indigenous Languages – Kael Moffat, Information Literacy Librarian at Saint Martin’s University in Lacey, WA

9:03 – 9:18 Presentation – Love Language: Integration of New Locals through multicultural reading circles – Dina Celeste Figueiredo Matos, Librarian at the Eugénio de Andrade Municipal Library in Fundão, Portugal

9:19 – 9:34 Presentation – First Nations Deadly Collection – Coralie Kouvelas, Acting Collections & Library Systems Manager YPRL

9:35 – 9:42 Lightning Talks – How ALIA Multicultural works on collaborative advocacy for a diverse and inclusive workforce, improved Multicultural services and increased awareness of barriers to inclusion in the LIS sector in Australia – Mare Matichevski, Learning Services Librarian at RMIT University, Founding member and Convenor of ALIA Multicultural; Hiba Kanj, Branch Team Leader at City of Parramatta Libraries, Convenor of ALIA Multicultural

9:43 – 9:50 Lightning Talks – Finding keywords: a multilingual information search in the age of AI – María Amor, The Latin American Language & Cultures Librarian as SDSU

Panel — Promoting Diverse Collections in the Digital Post-Covid Age — Leta Hendricks, The African American and African Studies Librarian and the Comparative Studies Librarian at The Ohio State University; Leticia Wiggins, The liaison librarian to the Center for Ethnic Studies; Vincent Albarano, The Collections Management Assistant in the Collections Management Team at OSUL

Presentation — Empowering Right Holders: Libraries as Catalysts for Human Rights and Access to Information — Alaa Ababneh, INGOs, contributing to documenting, preserving, and studying cultural heritage. Ph.D. Scholar in classical archaeology; Waheeb Ababneh, Experienced lawyer

Presentation — Driving with Data: Multilingual Collection Development — Kelsey Corlett-Rivera, The International Language Librarian at the National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled, part of the Library of Congress

Presentation — Current Status and Future Challenges of Multicultural Services at the Shizuoka City Miyuki-cho Library: Proposals for the Development of Multicultural Services Based on Cooperation with Related Departments and Divisions — Hajime Naka (MA), Associate Professor in the Department of Education at the University of Tokoha, and a member of the Japan Library Association Multicultural Service Committee

Lightning Talks — No Budget? How to Do Outreach & Marketing for Multicultural Programs — Selina Sharmin, Assistant Community Library Manager at Queens Library South Jamaica Branch

Lightning Talks — Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Analysis Tools for Timely Audits — Sarah Wilson, Library Media Assistant at an elementary school

Lightning Talks — From user support to collection development: promoting multicultural and multilingual learning resources — Neda Zeraatkar, Middle East and Islamic Studies Librarian at Emory University, Atlanta, United States; Katalin Rac, The Jewish Studies Librarian at Emory University

Presentation — Creating the Latinx Alcove at the Hispanic Reading Room — Maria Daniela Thurber, Reference Librarian in the Hispanic Reading Room

Lightning Talks — Manos a la Obra — Brittany Veland, Programs & Partnerships Librarian for Arlington Public Library; Katherine Chiriboga, Programs & Partnerships Librarian for Arlington Public Library

Panel — Good intentions are not enough — Torbjörn Nilsson, Former City Librarian in Malmö, Sweden; Standing Committee member, IFLA, ENSULIB Section; Peter Björkman, Librarian. Unit manager at Umeå City Library. Member of Standing Committee of Public Libraries Section, IFLA. Board member of Swedish Library Association; Elisabet Rundqvist, Special Adviser within the field of libraries and National Minorities and the Sami indigenous people, National Library of Sweden. IFLA MCULTP section; Domino Kai, Independent researcher, human rights defender, mediator, drama teacher, minority affairs consultant, and documentary filmmaker

Wrap Up