

Newsletter

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Letter from the Editors

Happy Summer, NMLA!

It's a time to relax, maybe take a vacation, or in the case of New Mexico libraries - arrange exciting events for patrons! If you yourself can't take a vacation this summer, consider checking out some of the fabulous events at libraries across the state:

- Storytime at the NM Museum of Art every Tuesday
- Celebration of Librarians and Art July 28 at the UNM Valencia Campus
- Badly Bent Bluegrass Band July 28 in Bloomfield
- Acts of Compassion and Courage in Times of Darkness Seminar August 26 & 27 in Bloomfield

Can't get away? Consider reading "Intellectual Freedom from a Shifting Landscape" or "Storytime and Beyond" by local authors.

No matter how you choose to spend your summer days, stay safe and cool!

Robyn Gleasner & Nadia Orozco-Sahi
NMLA Newsletter Co-editors

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New Friends, New Adventures



The City of Rio Rancho welcomed Jason Shoup as its new Director of Library and Information Services. His first day was June 27th. His library career has moved him between public and academic libraries, and between his home state of Michigan and his adopted home of New Mexico. As a library executive, Jason is interested in building open, engaging and collaborative work cultures that ensure each and every member of the library team know their value and contributions are seen, appreciated and important.



librarySTRONG
October 26-28 Albuquerque
NMLA 2022

**NMLA 2022 is the premier place to connect with
New Mexico library professionals from across the state.**

This year's conference will bring together individuals from academic, public, school, tribal and special libraries for professional development and networking events.

Are you an exhibitor? Reserve a booth today at <https://nmla.org/Conferences/2022/Exhibitors> or contact annual_conference@nmla.org for more information.

Want to attend? More information about the conference will be posted to the conference site here: <https://nmla.org/Conferences>



Nominations are now being accepted for the following NMLA Awards:

Community Achievement Award – this award is given to librarians (those certified or with a degree) for outstanding library service or achievement at the local level. Also, may be given as NMLA’s recognition of an award from another source that has enhanced the library, and to the entire library community; thus, to a local, school, or academic librarian who has received a community, regional, or national honor.

Honorary Life Membership Award – NMLA’s highest award is given to individuals for outstanding contributions to the purposes of NMLA, for constructive accomplishment rather than longevity, not limited to librarians, may be given to anyone for helping NMLA and/or libraries in New Mexico. Criteria: Significant contribution to NMLA and its activities throughout the library career. Scope of activity beyond own work location; achievements and contributions to NMLA growth are known within the library community, as well as being recognized by other persons or entities in New Mexico.

Legislator of the Year Award – given to a New Mexico state legislator who has demonstrated leadership in the advancement of libraries throughout the state. Criteria: Notable legislative contribution to library funding, the issues of intellectual freedom, and/or access to library services.

New Mexico Library Amigo Award – given to an individual (friend, volunteer, trustee, board member, other citizen, or other non-certified personnel) whose work on behalf of the local library has resulted in significant progress and/or achievement for that library; or in recognition of work in the promotion of library service within the state.

New Mexico Library Leadership Award – given to librarians who have rendered outstanding service beyond the local community. Criteria: Notable contribution to the advancement of libraries within the state, known and recognized in more than one community. Contributions of a nature that bring recognition and/or enhance the image of libraries in general within New Mexico. Activities and efforts that have helped other librarians to improve their service capabilities.

These awards will be presented at the in-person 2022 NMLA Annual Conference scheduled for October 26-28 in Albuquerque.

To nominate someone for an NMLA Award, please complete and email the [nomination form](#) to Monika Glowacka-Musial, Chair of the NMLA Awards Committee, monikagm@nmsu.edu

The deadline to submit nominations for this year’s NMLA Awards is **Friday, August 26, 2022.**

Intellectual Freedom From a Shifting Landscape by Valerie Nye



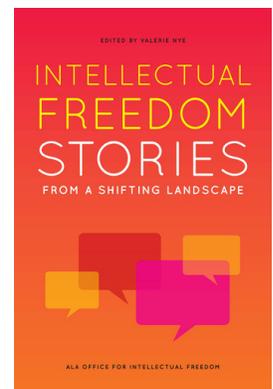
Intellectual Freedom from a Shifting Landscape is a book I edited and published with ALA (2020). Editing, designing, and making decisions about the book's content was made possible with support and an exchange of ideas that included many New Mexico librarians. The book is a collection of stories written by twenty librarians from academic, school, public, and special libraries.

The stories in this book provide encouragement to librarians who are facing challenges and provide evidence that creating proper policy prior to a challenge will help guide the actions that need to occur when a challenge is launched. The stories will also provide an opportunity to generate creative ideas for supporting social justice issues that impact each library's community. The librarians who share their experiences provide real-world examples that can be a rich source of discussion for library staff, boards, and with community members. Conversations about intellectual freedom can

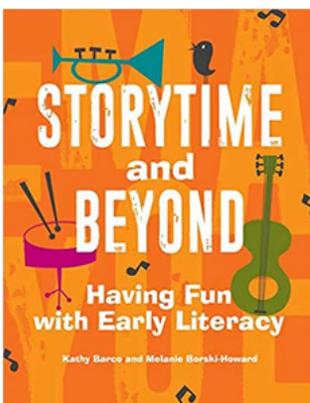
be guided by the questions at the end of each chapter to help illuminate the local issues relevant to the shared scenarios.

Stories in the book include a chapter from librarians at the Denver Public Library describing their innovative Social Justice Book Club, an experience from librarians at the University of Wisconsin-Madison about welcoming Black Lives Matter demonstrations, a very personal essay from a librarian about hosting a drag queen story time, and a story about a librarian who turned a canceled author visit into an opportunity to have a series of difficult conversations with her community.

The book is available through the American Library Association Store and from other book sellers (978-0838947265, \$49.99).



Storytime and Beyond by Kathy Barco



2019 New Mexico-Arizona Book Awards Winner

Read the review in the April 2019 School Library Journal (p. 103)

Read other reviews on [Amazon!](#)

Visit my Pinterest page — [Literacy Doodads](#)

Follow on Facebook — [Storytime & Beyond: Having Fun with Early Literacy.](#)

Listen to the [Radio Interview](#) with KSJE Podcasts in Farmington, NM



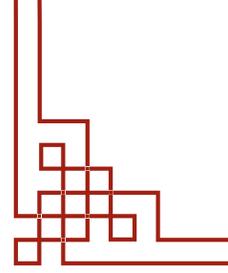
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The Badly Bent Band

THURSDAY, JULY 28, 2022

6PM - 8PM

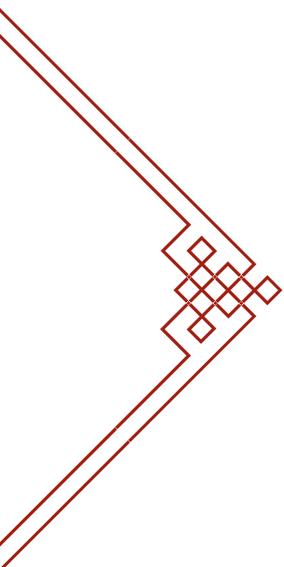
BLOOMFIELD MULTI-CULTURAL CENTER
EVENT ROOM



The Badly Bent has been playing bluegrass music since 1998. Based in Durango, Colorado, the band was the winner of the 2005 Telluride Bluegrass Festival band competition and has performed at over 100 festivals across the United States. The band has recently released its third CD, "Too Late To Care", which follows previous releases of "The Badly Bent" and "Oliver or Twist". The band is comprised of Cindi Trautmann (Fiddle, Vocals), Patrick Dressen (Guitar, Vocals), Mark Epstein (Bango, Vocals), Joel Denman (Mandolin Vocals), and Guy Ewing (Bass)



Bloomfield Public Library



Acts of Compassion & Courage in Times of Darkness

presented by Adelle Chabelski

Friday, August 26, 2022

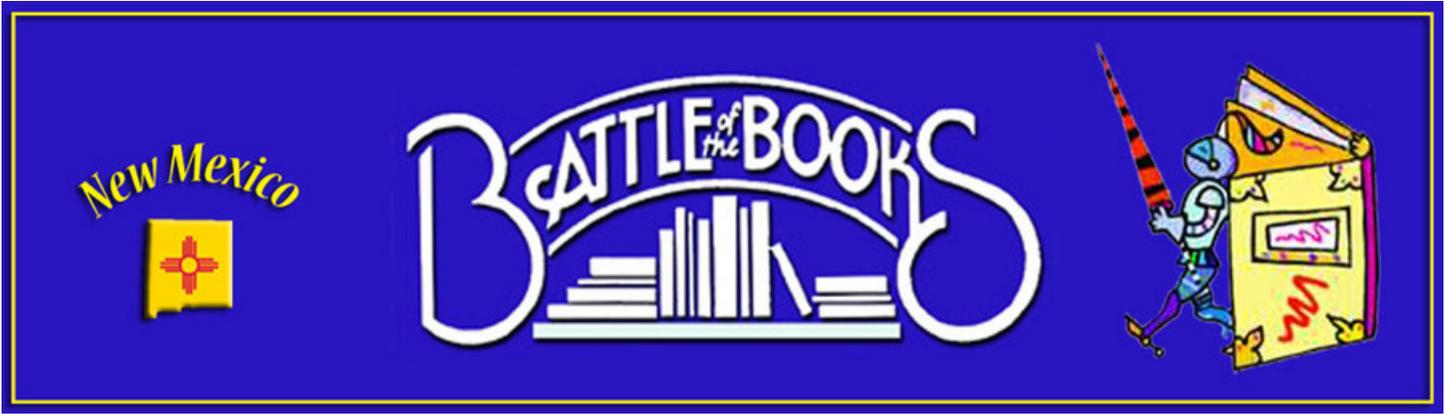
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Saturday, August 27, 2022

11:00 am - 2:00 pm

(2-Day Seminar)

During times of persecution and war, both ordinary and influential people have acted selflessly and with courage and compassion to help others. These people, even under the threat of death, upheld human values in an attempt to save lives and ease the suffering of the innocent. Through their stories, we will see how such men and women of conscience, in the face of brutality, mass murder, and indifference - by their very actions, rescued the dignity of humanity and our faith in universal brotherhood. Such people inspire and empower us, showing that each of us can make a difference. The program series will focus on the Holocaust in WWII, and touch on present day human rights challenges



The New Mexico Battle of the Books Steering Committee is actively seeking volunteers that wish to be instrumental in creating a fun and literary experience for students in 4th through 8th grade. New Mexico Battle of the Books is an annual event in which students who enjoy reading come together to compete with their knowledge of books from the NMBOB lists. The committee meets biannually via Zoom in January and June. Over the course of the year, we work on the tasks necessary to prepare for the event, such as creating book lists, procuring sites to hold the event, and preparing the questions for the battles. It is important work to make Battle of the Books happen.

If you are interested in becoming involved in this important work to promote reading in NM, contact Karin Trujillo at karin.Trujillo@gumdropbooks.com or visit our website <https://nmlibraries.org/battleofthebooks/> for more information.

Summer Food Drive Success

Rio Rancho Public Libraries hosted a food drive to assist the community during the summer when kids are out of school and donations are needed. We partnered with a local food bank, St Felix Pantry, and accepted donations from June 6 through July 1, 2022 at both library locations.

Our theme was "Dive into Giving" to go along with the summer reading program theme of "Oceans of Possibilities." Each library decorated a container for the food donations. St Felix Pantry picked up the food on a couple of occasions; one pickup resulted in 113 pounds, which was over 135 meals. We were thrilled to do the food drive, and St Felix Pantry appreciated the donations.



Esther Bone Memorial Library bin, decorated by circulation staff.

This summer, the Museum Library has stepped up its offerings for children aged 5-8 with a new program called Art Explored! Story Time at the New Mexico Museum of Art Library. Every Tuesday in June and July, children and their caregivers are invited to take a break in the cool recesses of the Museum Library to listen to a volunteer read from the library's collection of books for children. These titles include works on famous artists, art movements, and creative techniques. Story Time selections introduce young children to art history, the practice of thinking about and looking at art, and the significant role art plays in New Mexican culture.



Art Explored!

Story Time @ the
New Mexico Museum of Art

Every Tuesday at 11 AM
during June and July
in the Museum Library

for children ages 5-8

Free!

NEW MEXICO
MUSEUM OF ART

SEE ALSO:

A Celebration of Librarians & Art

New Mexico Library Foundation
2022 Gallery Exhibition & Art Auction



*Gala Reception & Celebration
July 28, 2022, 4:30-6:30pm

*Online Auction is LIVE
July 7 until 6:00pm July 28.

*Auction proceeds benefit
New Mexico's Libraries.

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR CELEBRATION!

SEE ALSO: A Celebration of Librarians & Art is a gala exhibition-fundraiser hosted by the New Mexico Library Foundation featuring 22 creative Librarians & Friends-of-Librarians from around the land of enchantment. Each work of art displayed in the UNM-Valencia Fine Arts Gallery is also available in our online auction. 100% of your donation will directly benefit New Mexico's Libraries. Details and links are on our website.

<https://newmexicolibraryfoundation.org/fundraising-events/>

GALLERY RECEPTION & CELEBRATION JULY 28, 2022, 4:30-6:30PM

Fine Arts Gallery on the UNM-Valencia Campus.
280 La Entrada Road, Los Lunas NM 87031

The gallery is open to the public Monday – Friday 8am-5pm. 505-925-8500
Located in the southeast area of campus, parking is free and plentiful.
The UNM-Valencia Campus Library is also open. Come by and say hello!



Go To Auction

FEATURED ARTISTS

Cheryl Kempner, Ashland, OR
Chris Meyer, Tijeras, NM
Chuck Schick, Bosque Farms, NM
Claire Meador, Santa Fe, NM
Elena Perez-Lizano, Santa Fe, NM
Heather Mackay, Albuquerque, NM
Ivy Rivard, Valencia, NM
Jan Pacifico, Tomé, NM
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Sarah Heyward, Albuquerque, NM
Sharon Amastae, Lincoln, NM
Trish Meyer, Tijeras, NM



NMLF supports New Mexico's Libraries by awarding grants to build and maintain library collections, provide public access to technology, and to enhance the many library programs hosted each year. Since 1992, we've awarded over \$250,000 in grant funding throughout the state. This support is made possible by generous contributions from donors like you!. Thank You.
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