



# PDPOSTINGS

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT NEWS AND ADVICE FOR LIS PROFESSIONALS



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## WELCOME

*We are over that mid-year hump and I can see us racing towards the end of 2012 in the not-too-distant future. It's a great time to make use of the momentum and get some professional development ticked off the to-do list. - Margie.*

## Watch! Emerging technology forum 2012

A fantastic line-up of speakers, including ALIA Biennial Conference keynote Tom Chatfield, presented at this recent event. Video footage is now available.

<http://etf.grlc.net/node/390>

**PD category:** Informal learning activities

**PD points:** 1 point per hour, 30 points maximum per year

## Skill up! Law librarianship course: Legal research

Do enquiries about the law send you running? Relax! This five day program will introduce you to law librarianship and legal research. This course is perfect for new law librarians, or those working in other contexts who want to better serve customers with law enquiries. The course involves on-campus lectures, workshops and tutorials. Optional assessment activities are offered following the course.

<http://www.facebook.com/QUTISG> or email Kate Davis at [k3.davis@qut.edu.au](mailto:k3.davis@qut.edu.au) for further information.

**Date:** 24 - 28 September 2012

**Venue:** Queensland University of Technology, Gardens Point Campus

**Cost:** \$1500 for ALIA members - a \$357 saving on the standard registration. Further discounts for students and QUT Alumni

**Register:** <http://bit.ly/lawintensive>

**PD category:** Tertiary courses

**PD points:** 30 points, 60 points maximum per year

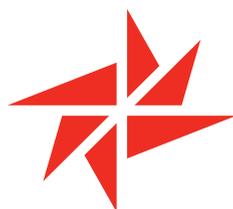
## Subscribe! Keeping up with copyright

The Australian Digital Alliance and Australian Libraries' Copyright Committee newsletter will keep you informed of critical copyright news specific to the library and information sector.

<http://www.digital.org.au>

**PD category:** Professional reading

**PD points:** 1 point per hour, 10 points maximum per year



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## Read! Free scholarly articles

My choice this month from the ProQuest LIS Journals online package, available free to all ALIA members at <http://www.alia.org.au/LISjournals/>

Drake, Mirriam A. 2012. "Clifford Lynch: The Changing Landscape of Libraries." *Information Today* 29 (3): 1-33.

Goodwin, Susan, Suzanne Shurtz, Adriana Gonzalez, and Dennis Clark. 2012. "Assessing an e-Reader Lending Program: From Pilot to Mainstream Service." *Library Review* 61 (1): 8-17.

Jordan, Mary Wilkins. 2012. "Developing Leadership Competencies in Librarians." *IFLA Journal* 38 (1): 37-46.

**PD category:** Professional reading

**PD points:** 1 point per hour, 10 points maximum per year

## Read! Free ebook

The EBL eBook Library online package is available free to all ALIA members. My pick for the month is:

Jaeger, Paul T., and Gary Burnett. *Information worlds: social context, technology, and information behavior in the age of the Internet*. New York: Routledge, 2010.

Information is the basis of social worlds. This proposition drives this study of library and other information fields. The authors build upon the works of LIS scholars and philosophers, as well as theory and research from a wide range of other fields. It's a thought provoking, internationally focused look at issues and policies, the value of information, information access and exchange and technologies.

<http://www.alia.org.au/onlineLISresources>

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## Preserve! Digital preservation in a box

DPB isa toolkitpromoting and supporting the preservation ofdigital information.Itis a portaltoresources and tools including videos explaining the basics, factsheets, best practice guides, preservation tools and marketing materials.

The materials are geared towards a general audience who need a working knowledge of digital preservation on the job or for training others on how to preserve digital resources.

<http://dpoutreach.net/>

**PD category:** Informal learning activities

**PD points:** 1 point per hour, 30 points maximum per year



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## Plan ahead! Present at ALIA Information Online and NLS6

Still feeling inspired after the ALIA biennial? Here are two invitations for proposals you can channel all that energy and excitement towards. Get in quick.

### Information Online: be different. do different.

<http://www.information-online.com.au/proposals.html>

**Deadline:** 20 August 2012

**Dates:** 12-15 February 2013

### NLS6: Be different.

<http://newlibrarianssymposium.com/call-for-proposals/>

**Deadline:** 19 August 2012

**Dates:** 10-11 February 2013

**PD category:** Presentations and papers

**PD points:** 2 points per hour, 20 points maximum per year

## Follow! Digital libraries as platforms

R. David Lankes' blog, Virtual Dave, never fails to provide thought provoking material. View the screencast of his latest presentation on digital libraries as learning platforms rather than collections online.

<http://quartz.syr.edu/blog/?cat=22>

**PD category:** Informal learning activities

**PD points:** 1 point per hour, 30 points maximum per year

## Rewind! Value of libraries

If you couldn't make it to Canberra for this outstanding symposium take heart that the presentations are now available on video. A must for all sectors of the library and information industry.

<http://proactiveblog.blogspot.com.au/2012/08/recordings-of-valuing-libraries.html>

**PD category:** Informal learning activities

**PD points:** 1 point per hour, 30 points maximum per year

## Code! Mozilla Thimble

Thimble is a free productwhichteaches youhow to write HTML and CSS. It features a split screenso you can write code on one sideand instantlysee how (or if!) it works on the other.Youcan chooseto start from scratch or to modify sample projects by following directions. Some of the sample projects you can work with include webpages, games, and avatars.

<https://thimble.webmaker.org/en-US/>

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## Hurry! Fundamentals of supervision

A workshop introduction or refresher to the essential skills of staff supervision.

<http://www.alia.org.au/training/>

**Dates:** Melbourne 14 September 2012

**Registrations Close:** 31 August 2012

**PD category:** Informal learning activities

**PD points:** 7 points, 30 points maximum per year

### Gamify! Trend or treasure?

Explore some of the latest thinking on gamification in the library. Tips on why to gamify, what to avoid and how other libraries are moving into the gamification arena.

<http://acr.lala.org/techconnect/?p=1633>

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**PD points:** 1 point per hour, 30 points maximum per year

## Unlock! Open access

The UNESCO *Policy guidelines for development and promotion of open access* report aims to demystify the concept of open access. A substantial document, the report will be useful to both new and experienced practitioners, and will assist decision-makers, administrators and research managers to focus on policy development.

<http://unesdoc.unesco.org/images/0021/002158/215863e.pdf>

**PD category:** Professional reading

**PD points:** 1 point per hour, 10 points maximum per year

## Master Melvil! Web Dewey 23

This interactive course provides an overview of the principles of DDC 23 in web format. You will access Web Dewey and with the guidance and support of experienced cataloguers achieve competence in this key cataloguing skill. Feedback and advice will be provided, so that you will emerge at the end of the course with the confidence to tackle classification fearlessly. No prior knowledge is required. Online, in partnership with TAFENSW.

<http://www.alia.org.au/training/>

**Dates:** 5 November - 16 December 2012

**Registrations Close:** 22 October 2012

**PD category:** Tertiary courses

**PD points:** 30 points, 60 points maximum per year

## I'm exploring! Data visualisation tools for librarians and educators

The trainer in me is loving working through this list of nine free data visualisation and infographics. I'm dreaming up ways to dazzle my students with maps, graphs, charts and diagrams.

<http://oedb.org/blogs/ilibrarian/2012/9-data-visualization-tools-for-librarians-and-educators/>

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## Go to!

For a range of PD and networking opportunities, see our events calendar at <http://www.alia.org.au/events/>

You'll also find a range of ALIA courses and workshops at <http://www.alia.org.au/training/>

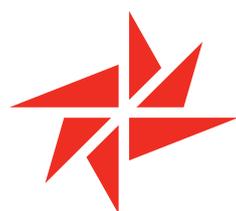
## Join! Become a certified practitioner

Not a member of ALIA's PD Scheme? All professional (Associate and Library Technician members) can join ALIA's PD Scheme for free. For more information visit <http://www.alia.org.au/education/pd/scheme>

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