

It is registration time for our 2018 Public Library Institute.

2018 Theme: Children's Services, Resources, Ideas, and Opportunities

Dates: June 3-8, 2018

Where: **South Dakota State University, Brookings**

This year's programming will feature:

- **Saroj Ghoting** is an Early Childhood Literacy consultant and national trainer on early literacy. Her topics will include: The challenges of mixed-age Storytime, child and early literacy development, sharing information with parents/caregivers, and finding new ways to stretch what you are already doing. Also learn about the sequential Storytime model. <http://www.earlylit.net/>
- **Jenna Neugebauer & Beth Berg** from Siouxland Libraries. You will learn about Siouxland Libraries birth-to-five programs and its partnership with the 400-site, 27-state Family Place Libraries(tm) network. Participants will brainstorm and walk away with new ideas to apply this concept to your community.
- **CHAOS Makerspace from Rapid City Public Library.** This program is a hands-on, creative space that provides patrons access to materials and tools that help people learn new skills and bring their ideas to life. This year, a member from the **CHAOS team** will be sharing with us how to engage kids and families in hands-on making and STEAM learning and creating such a space even in a very small library.
- **Beth Samenus**, Vermillion Public Library. Beth will be discussing early literacy and STEM opportunities that she learned at the VELI-STEM Vermont Early Literacy Initiative Program she attended this past fall.
- **Jean Patrick**, Mitchell Public Library. Jean is an author and a children's librarian. She will present the research and writing process of her newest nonfiction picture book, *Long-armed Ludy and the First Women's Olympics* (Charlesbridge Publishing, 2017). (She'll show photographs of her research travels, too!) Jean will also demonstrate storytelling techniques that you can use at your library. www.jeanpatrick.com
- **South Dakota State Library Consultants.** Alissa Adams is our SDSL School Library Technology Coordinator. She will be teaching us how the public and school library can successfully work together. **Kathleen Slocum**, SDSL CE Coordinator will be talking about WebJunction opportunities, Super *Charged Storytime*, Jump Start training, CSLP membership, Performers' Showcase plus much more.

Spend a week in the comfortable dorms, get to know your fellow library students from all over the state, enjoy meals together in the cafeteria and fun activities in our host city Brookings, all while learning how to have a coherent, creative and successful children's programming at your library! Don't put it off. Tuition scholarships are available but limited.

Registration: <http://library.sd.gov/LIB/DEV/training/institute/index.aspx>

Deadline for New & Current students is March 2, 2018.