PDPOSTINGS
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT NEWS AND ADVICE FOR LIS PROFESSIONALS

WELCOME

If you are attending one of the ALIA conferences in Perth this month, soak up the learning and enjoy! For those staying closer to home like me, here are some learning opportunities you can master from your lounge room. – Margie.

Be quick! ALIA Back to Basics conference and Metamorphosis symposium

There is still time to book your travel and register for the ALIA Library Technicians' conference and New Graduates' symposium in this month in beautiful Perth.
http://conferences.alia.org.au/libtec2011/
http://conferences.alia.org.au/nls5/
PD category: Informal learning activities
PD points: 1 point per hour, 30 points maximum per year

Play! Games in libraries free podcasts

This US podcast explores the current rise of gaming in libraries. It's an interesting mix of interviews, reviews, tips on buying and managing games, and discussions about resources and the future of games in libraries.
http://www.gamesinlibraries.org/
PD category: Informal learning activities
PD points: 1 point per hour, 30 points maximum per year

Review! Lend your expertise to conference papers

VALA2012 is seeking peer reviewers for papers being presented at the February 2012 conference. It's a great opportunity to participate in the conference process from a completely different angle.
http://www.vala.org.au/vala2012/vala2012reviewing.htm
Applications close: 5 September
PD category: Presentations and papers
PD points: 2 points per hour, 20 points maximum per year

Inform! Become an NBN expert

Libraries and information services will play a critical role in shaping how people understand and make the most of the NBN. Make sure you have all the NBN knowledge you need with resources like the *National Broadband Network: Guide for consumers* and the recently released Standing Committee on Infrastructure and Communications report on the inquiry into the role and potential of the NBN. It's also a great time to read the *ALIA Internet Access in Public Libraries Survey 2011*.
ACCAN guide for consumers:
http://accan.org.au/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=263:broadband-and-the-national-broadband-network&catid=96:broadband&Itemid=319
House of Representatives inquiry:
http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/ic/NBN/report.htm
ALIA survey:
http://www.alia.org.au/advocacy/internet.access/Internet.Access.Survey.2011.pdf
PD category: Professional reading
PD points: 1 point per hour, 10 points maximum per year

Create! Mobile apps for your library

Conduit Mobile lets you create an app once and distribute it on all leading platforms, without any developing or coding skills. Easy to use and free. Make sure you share your end result with the rest of the LIS community, we're always keen to see new apps.
http://mobile.conduit.com/
PD category: Informal learning activities
PD points: 1 point per hour, 30 points maximum per year

Explore! Training resources from Wiley Online Library

If you want to learn more about the resources used by your sector, or are thinking about shifting in a new field, training materials from by electronic publishers provide a wealth of information about new tools and techniques.
http://olabout.wiley.com/WileyCDA/Section/id-397512.html
PD category: Informal learning activities
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Volunteer! ALIA Groups need you

In every State or Territory there is an ALIA Group which would welcome new committee members. Contact the convenor of an ALIA Group which interests you and offer your expertise and time to assist with the running of that Group. It's an ideal way to build skills and extend your professional networks.
http://www.alia.org.au/groups/groups.html
PD category: Contribution to ALIA
PD points: 1 point per hour, 5 points maximum per year

Read! Free scholarly articles

The ProQuest LIS Journals online package is available free to all ALIA members at http://www.alia.org.au/LISjournals/

> Farney, T.. 2011. Click Analytics: Visualizing Website Use Data. *Information Technology and Libraries 30*, no. 3, (September 1): 141-148.

> Filgo, E.. 2011. #Hashtag Librarians. *Computers in Libraries*, July 1, 78-80.

> Whalen, J.. 2011. Persuasive Design: Putting It to Use. *Bulletin of the American Society for Information Science and Technology (Online)*, August 1, 16-21.

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:

> De, Virgilio Roberto., Fausto Giunchiglia, and L. Tanca. *Semantic Web Information Management: a Model-based Perspective.* Heidelberg: Springer-Verlag, 2010.

The semantic web promises to automate and support sharing, contextualisation and reuse of the vast amount of data and metadata available to our society. This book presents research into the semantic web models which offer a high level machine processsable view of that information. Handbook-like sections review semantic web data storage, reasoning in the semantic web, semantic web data querying, semantic web applications, and engineering semantic web systems.
http://www.alia.org.au/onlineLISresources
PD category: Professional reading
PD points: 1 point per hour, 10 points maximum per year

Teach! Training materials for library users

If you are looking at implementing a training program for users you'll be planning on investing a lot of time developing the right learning materials. See how the experts at Vicnet have created a great range of technology training workbooks, all licensed under Creative Commons.
http://www.vicnet.net.au/publications/item/94-internet-training-workbooks.html
PD category: Work-based research projects
PD points: 2 points per hour, 20 points maximum per year

Clarify! Creative Commons and the innovation agenda

Brush up on your CC knowledge with this recent UTAS lecture and panel discussion *Creative Commons and the innovation agenda*. View video footage or download the audio.
http://mmscourses.utas.edu.au/recordings/10af759e-889f-4aec-8d01-edc5567abd16
PD category: Informal learning activities
PD points: 1 point per hour, 30 points maximum per year

Arise! Early morning webinars

Join an international audience for this Webjunction session sharing Innovations from *America's Best Small Libraries 2011*. Set your alarm for early, be inspired and arrive at work in time to start the day full of new ideas.
http://ct.webjunction.org/events/webinars
Date: 20 September 4:00 am AEST
PD category: Informal learning activities
PD points: 1 point per hour, 30 points maximum per year

Develop! Practices for serving non-English speaking customers

Giving and getting great customer service is hard enough without having scale a language barrier. Work on creating ways to reduce the size of that mountain for both staff and customers.
http://www.ala.org/ala/aboutala/offices/olos/toolkits/LI_toolkit.pdf
PD category: Informal learning activities
PD points: 1 point per hour, 30 points maximum per year

Skill up! FOLIOz e-learning

Learn how to design e-learning resources and deliver e-learning courses with "E-FOLIO: an introduction to e-learning". Get practical tips on successful facilitation, motivating online learners and using Web 2.0 tools to deliver e-learning. This online course runs from 26 September 2011 – 11 November 2011.
http://www.alia.org.au/education/pd/pd.services/brochures/FOLIOz.e-FOLIO.and.Intro.to.e-learning.ALIA.Training.2011.pdf
Registrations close: 12 September 2011
PD category: Tertiary courses
PD points: 30 points
Cost: ALIA Members $335. Save $170 on the non member rate

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Shine! Writing to selection criteria

This course prepares you for your next job opportunity, gives you focus and direction, and provides you with the tools to 'sell' your portfolio of skills, knowledge and experience for government jobs.
http://www.alia.org.au/education/pd/pd.services/brochures/Ann.Villiers. Writing.to.Selection.Criteria.ALIA.Training.2011.pdf
PD category: Informal learning activities
PD points: 10
Cost: $75 for ALIA members only

Share! Your library's story

Join a one-hour teleconference run by Sue McKerracher on PR and media designed to help libraries – especially public, school and academic libraries – make the most of the opportunities provided by the National Year of Reading 2012.
http://www.alia.org.au/education/pd/pd.services/brochures/Teleconference. Public.Relations.ALIA.Training.2011.pdf
PD category: Informal learning activities
PD points: 1
Cost: Free for ALIA members only

I'm learning... Outlook secrets!

It's an everyday tool with plenty of features I've never used. This month I'm challenging myself to become an Outlook power user and reap the organisational and time saving rewards.
http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/support/office-video-FX102493438. aspx?CTT=1#
PD category: Informal learning activities
PD points: 1 point per hour, 30 points maximum per year

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/education/pd/pd.services/**

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/#PDScheme**

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