

# FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

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## **NEWS FROM THE DIVISION**

### **ALASKA STATE MUSEUM PRESENTS ART OF DAVID RUBIN**

The Alaska State Museum is currently hosting a temporary art exhibit: The Art of David Rubin. David Rubin is a Ketchikan resident, painter and art teacher who loves to paint people and landscapes. His works on display mostly consist of oil paintings on canvas or wood. This temporary exhibit may be visited between November 1, 2013 – January 4, 2014 at ASM in Juneau or online at [http://museums.alaska.gov/online\\_exhibits/david\\_rubin\\_2013.html](http://museums.alaska.gov/online_exhibits/david_rubin_2013.html).

### **OWL VIDEOCONFERENCE: HAUNUKKAH IN ALASKA**

The Alaska State Library is happy to announce that Barbara Brown will be participating in two OWL videoconferences (Wednesday, December 4th from 11:00 to 12:00 & Saturday, December 7th from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm). Barbara will read her new book, Hanukkah in Alaska, answer questions from videoconference participants and explain the dreidel game.

Schools and libraries interested in joining one or more of these videoconferences need to contact the Fairbanks OWL video staff at 800-910-9601, then press #, and press 1.

To reach the Fairbanks OWL video staff by email, write to: [ua-owlvideo@alaska.edu](mailto:ua-owlvideo@alaska.edu)

## **NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA**

### **WIKIPEDIA EDITOR TRAINING IN ANCHORAGE 12/4**

If you live in driving distance of Anchorage and think that Wikipedia could improve its coverage of Alaska, consider this opportunity next Wednesday:

The Anchorage Chapter of the Alaska Library Association is partnering with Code for America and Anchorage Programming Workshop to host a Wikipedia Editing Workshop during the first week of December. At that workshop, experts on local collections and Alaska information in general--that's us--will have the opportunity to learn how to edit Wikipedia and to improve its content, thereby making it a little more authoritative and bringing more web users into our digital collections.

Librarians, archivists, and museum folks contributing our expertise to Wikipedia has been a successful model in the past (and present), and the people who are running this workshop from the technical side are very excited to collaborate with us, as expert researchers, to improve the quality of Alaska information easily available online. You don't have to know anything about editing wikis to come to this workshop; it's designed to be introductory-level!

When: Wednesday, December 4, 6:00 P.M – 8:30 P.M.

Where: Loussac Innovation Lab (4th floor)

What: We will create free user accounts and learn to instantly edit existing articles, create new articles, track edits to articles, and understand the wiki ecosystem.

How: Laptops will be provided, but please bring your own if possible.

Also: Refreshments will be provided.

And: Please RSVP to [hthompson@codeforamerica.org](mailto:hthompson@codeforamerica.org).

### **ALASKA KNOWLEDGE CENTER OFFERS LINKS ON AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE ACT**

The Alaska KnOWLedge Center has added a list of Alaska-centric resources relating to the federal Affordable Care Act. View their list at [http://library.alaska.gov/dev/OWL\\_Healthcare\\_links.pdf](http://library.alaska.gov/dev/OWL_Healthcare_links.pdf). It is part of the KnOWLedge Center's "Alaskan Essentials" section.

### **ALASKA LIBRARY NETWORK SEEKS NEW DIRECTOR**

In 2007, the Alaska Library Network took its first steps in becoming a recognized non-profit tax-exempt membership based organization. The Board of Directors of the Alaska Library Network (ALN) is currently recruiting for a full time Executive Director. <http://alaskalibrarynetwork.org/>

The ALN Board of Directors sets overall direction and approves policies. The ALN Executive Director works closely with the Board and makes recommendations on plans, programs, and policies. The ALN Executive Director is responsible for managing the operations of the organization and implementing decisions of the Board. The ALN Executive Director prioritizes activities, identifies problems and opportunities, and implements solutions. The ALN Executive Director works in a collaborative problem-solving mode consulting with the directors of the member libraries and with the State Library staff. The successful candidate must be highly motivated, have strong planning and organizational skills, sound fiscal management abilities and be an effective communicator.

As the hiring institution, the University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA) applies for grant funding for the ALN Executive Director position. The ALN Executive Director will hold a term faculty appointment at UAA. The supervisor of record is the Dean of UAA/APU Consortium Library. The director's workplace will be located at the Alaska State Library's Anchorage office (344 W. 3rd Avenue, Suite 125). Currently there is no other staffing employed by ALN.

Salary: minimum \$60,000 annually; health and life insurance, tuition waiver benefits; represented by bargaining unit.

### **Job Responsibilities:**

- Serve as the program administrator, fiscal agent and primary contact for current programs including the OCLC GSA contract, ListenAlaska Plus, reciprocal borrowing, SLED and the Digital Pipeline ([sled.alaska.edu](http://sled.alaska.edu)) and other network services. Answer informational, policy and procedural questions and provide assistance regarding ALN and other statewide library services and resources. Keep membership informed of program and network news, changes and developments.
- Manage the finances of the network with ALN Board Treasurer. Process invoices, pass-through orders and payments. Administer membership and program accounts and ALN-sponsored grant awards. Maintain records, resolve accounts and file required reports.
- Work with the ALN Board to plan, develop and provide high-value services, programs and products to Alaskan libraries. Organize regular Board and annual membership meetings and provide support for the Board duties and activities. Assist the Board in developing and monitoring the long-range plan. Evaluate network operations, services and programs to response to evolving member library needs.
- Manage the ListenAlaska Plus (OverDrive) group contract for downloadable audio and eBooks. Duties include, but are not limited to:
  - Managing the budget for the consortium; maintaining program and member accounts.
  - Reviewing, selecting and purchasing high-demand titles on a regular basis for the collection. Recommending and codifying selection guidelines and purchasing protocols.

- Answering queries, providing assistance and resolving issues for the current partners and potential new member libraries. Maintaining the Content Reserve accounts. Working as administrator, spokesperson and liaison with OverDrive and member libraries on policy/operational issues and program improvements.
- Coordinating ListenAlaska Plus training and promotional activities.
- Oversee the OCLC Group Services Agreement for Alaskan member libraries. Resolve member issues with OCLC staff. Assist in the implementation of program changes and improvements.
- Coordinate administrative support for the Digital Pipeline and SLED with program partners. Assist with launch of new databases and evaluate existing ones. Manage promotional and training activities and resources.
- Consult with Alaskan libraries on current and potential program needs. Develop new projects and programs in response to unmet needs. Investigate and pursue opportunities for cooperative projects with partner organizations such as the Association for Alaska Libraries (AkLA), schools, museums, archives and other potential partners. Apply for and administer grants to address library needs and further ALN goals.
- Meet with library vendors to assess products and services for group purchase. Develop and improve cost-saving and service improvements for libraries such as leveraging group licensing for digital collections.
- Serve as a member of the State Library's Library Development Team. Assist with Library Development initiatives and projects including annual grant review. Participate in regular staff and office meetings.
- Conduct active outreach to the Alaska library community. Communicate with the membership regularly. Maintain the ALN website. Promote ALN, its programs and services. Provide training opportunities regarding network programs and other statewide resources in person or via video or audioconference. Represent ALN at local, state and national meetings as necessary.
- Develop a marketing plan and direct public relation activities on behalf of the network and its members. Create an advocacy campaign to demonstrate the effectiveness and accountability of Alaska's libraries.

**Requirements of the job:** Master's degree from an accredited college in library or information science, media services, or closely related field.

- Two years minimum of recent professional library experience
- Working knowledge of current library technologies

Preferred Experience:

- Experience working with library consortia and/or other collaborative projects
- Experience working with a policy-making board
- Background in financial management of non-profit organizations
- Working knowledge of grant administration
- Experience in program administration

**TO APPLY:**

All applications must be submitted online at <http://www.uakjobs.com>

Posting Number: 0067864

Quicklink: <https://www.uakjobs.com/applicants/Central?quickFind=82954>:

To apply for this term faculty position, upload a cover letter of application, resume or curriculum vita, and the names, addresses, email, telephone and fax numbers of at least three professional references.

**CLOSING DATE:**

The screening committee will begin reviewing applications 12/30/2013.

Applications will be accepted until the recruitment is closed. Candidates are encouraged to apply by the review date to receive full consideration.

APPLICANTS needing reasonable accommodations to participate in the application or interview process should contact Human Resource Services prior to the closing date. UAA is an AA/EO Employer and Educational Institution committed to diversity. Applicants must be eligible for employment under the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 and subsequent amendments. Application for employment with the University of Alaska is subject to public disclosure.

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