

FRIDAY BULLETIN

NEWS FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

10/30/2015

This newsletter is available weekly and previous issues are available at <http://lam.alaska.gov/fridaybulletin>.

Submissions for the Friday Bulletin should be sent to linda.thibodeau@alaska.gov and may be edited for content and length if used.

Contents:

NEWS FROM THE DIVISION

CONTEST: 2016 TEEN VIDEO CHALLENGE

SLAM – COPPER PANELS INSTALLED

JOURNEYMAN ARCHIVAL PROCESSING PROGRAM: APPLY BY 12/1/2015

NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA

ALASKAN ANN SYMONS CO-FOUNDS NEW ALA AWARD

2015/2016 SPIRIT OF READING SELECTION ANNOUNCED: MATT DE LA PEÑA

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

GRANT: 2016 WILL EISNER GRAPHIC NOVEL GRANTS FOR LIBRARIES

BRITISH LIBRARY RELEASES MILLION IMAGES FOR ANYONE TO USE, REMIX AND REPURPOSE

NEWS FROM THE DIVISION

CONTEST: 2016 TEEN VIDEO CHALLENGE

The Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) launches the *2016 Teen Video Challenge*, a national video competition for teens to get involved with reading and their public library's summer reading program. CSLP is a consortium consisting of public libraries and state library agencies throughout the United States, its territories, and the Cayman Islands. The members of this consortium work together to provide high-quality summer reading materials for public libraries to use in their summer programs with children, teens, and adults.

Teens across the country are invited to create a 30 to 90 second video with their unique interpretation of the 2016 teen slogan *Get in the Game –Read* in combination with reading and libraries. The idea is to involve teens in summer reading, before and during the summer months, by being part of the process. This is an opportunity for teens to showcase their creativity and have their ideas heard before a national audience.

Each CSLP member state that chooses to participate in the *2016 Teen Video Challenge* will organize and implement their own competition to arrive at their state winner. The winning video from each participating state will be named one of the CSLP 2016 Teen Videos to promote summer reading nationwide.

\$150 will be awarded to the creators of the winning state video and their associated public library will receive prizes worth at least \$50 from CSLP, Upstart, and CSLP partners. Winners will be announced by CSLP in April 2016.

To find out how to enter Alaska's Teen Video Challenge, please visit <http://library.alaska.gov/srp/home.html>

SLAM – COPPER PANELS INSTALLED

This week started off crisp and clear. It also saw the start of the installation of copper panels to our new building:



Figure 1: Copper panels on the Kashevaroff building. Photographer: Amy Carney

JOURNEYMAN ARCHIVAL PROCESSING PROGRAM: APPLY BY 12/1/2015

The Alaska State Historical Records Advisory Board (ASHRAB), a Board which promotes the collection, preservation and accessibility of historical records found in repositories in Alaska is sponsoring a Journeyman Archival Processing Program. This venture will fund one journeyman-level archivist to travel to an Alaskan repository and offer six weeks of hands-on arrangement and description services.

The Program, which seeks to identify, organize, preserve, and share information regarding Alaska's historical records online, is available to boroughs, municipalities, non-profits, and tribal organizations that may apply for resources here <http://archives.alaska.gov/> by December 1, 2015.

The ASHRAB will award one small to medium sized institution that has two collections with high research value the services of a journeyman archivist. There will be an emphasis on unprocessed collections that document the history of Alaska, including but not limited to natural resource extraction, environmental issues, transportation development, immigration, etc.

The journeyman archivist will be hired pursuant to a nationwide search but special consideration will be given to Alaska-based talent. The National Historical Publications & Records Commission, a body of the National Archives, provided funding in the amount of \$9,000.

Questions regarding the Journeyman Archival Processing Program may be directed to state archivist Dean Dawson, dean.dawson@alaska.gov.

NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA

ALASKAN ANN SYMONS CO-FOUNDS NEW ALA AWARD

The American Library Association (ALA) is accepting nominations for the inaugural Newlen-Symons Award for Excellence in Serving the GLBT Community.

The award, to be given for the first time this year, will honor recent library initiatives that demonstrate excellence in library services to or for the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) community.

The award consists of a citation and \$1,000 cash award. The award will be announced during the ALA 2016 Midwinter Meeting and will be presented at the Stonewall Books Awards Program on Monday June 27 during the ALA's 2016 Annual Conference in Orlando.

The award honors a library, librarian, library staff member, library board and/or library friends groups who over a period of time have demonstrated change in the way libraries serve the GLBT community. Innovation, collaboration, risk taking and being a change-agent as an individual or institution will all be taken into account as part of the criteria for the award. The award will go to a person, library or group known for developing and implementing programs that are responsive to the needs of GLBT community. The award will be given to a person or group who has invested time and talent to make positive changes to GLBT service in their institution or community.

"The Newlen-Symons Award celebrates those who create meaningful library experiences for the GLBT community," said ALA President Sari Feldman. "Every day, innovative programs and outreach to GLBT people show how libraries can challenge assumptions and truly transform communities."

To view the award criteria and submit a nomination, please visit the GLBTRT Awards Online Application at www.ala.org/newlensymons<<http://www.ala.org/newlensymons>>. Applications are due Dec. 15, 2015.

The award is funded by and named after Robert R. Newlen, chief of staff, Library of Congress and John and Ann Symons. Ann Symons is past-president and former treasurer of the ALA and a past chair of ALA's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Round Table.

In addition to her work for ALA, Ann Symons has been very active in the Alaska library community for many years.

2015/2016 SPIRIT OF READING SELECTION ANNOUNCED: MATT DE LA PEÑA

We are pleased to pass along the following announcement:

The Alaska Association of School Librarians is pleased to announce its 2015/2016 Spirit of Reading selection - Matt de la Peña, acclaimed YA and children's book author. His book, *The Living*, is currently a high school Battle of the Books selection.

Matt will be visiting Fairbanks and surrounding regions around conference time, March 7 - March 12. He will be visiting schools, libraries, and youth facilities.

Please email the program at mail@akspiritofreading.com if you are interested in an author visit. Schools outside the Fairbanks area will be able to participate through video and teleconferencing and through participation in live radio programs.

More information about Mr. de la Peña and his books can be found at his website at <http://mattdelapena.com/>.

The program will be lending class sets (20-25) of the following books:

- We Were Here
- Ball Don't Lie
- Curse of the Ancients
- Last Stop on Market Street
- The Living
- Mexican WhiteBoy
- Nation's Hope: The Story of Boxing Legend Joe Louis

Please let us know if you are interested in a title. We will mail them to you. Your only expense will be returning the books or sending them on to another site.

Thank you, Alaska Spirit of Reading

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

GRANT: 2016 WILL EISNER GRAPHIC NOVEL GRANTS FOR LIBRARIES

The American Library Association (ALA) and the Will and Ann Eisner Family Foundation are now accepting applications for the 2016 Will Eisner Graphic Novel Grants for Libraries, which recognize libraries for their role in the growth of graphic literature.

The grants extend graphic novels into a new realm by encouraging public awareness about the rise and importance of graphic literature and honoring the creative excellence of Will Eisner. In a career that spanned nearly eight decades — from the dawn of the comic book to the advent of digital comics — Will

Eisner is recognized as the “Father of the Graphic Novel.” Information about the grant and application can be found at <http://www.ala.org/gamert/will-eisner-graphic-novel-grants-libraries>. The application deadline is January 25, 2016.

The Will Eisner Graphic Novel Grants for Libraries awards two grants: the **Will Eisner Graphic Novel Growth Grant** provides support to a library that would like to expand its existing graphic novel services and programs; the **Will Eisner Graphic Novel Innovation Grant** provides support to a library for the initiation of a graphic novel service or program. Each recipient will receive a \$4,000 program and collection development grant plus a collection of Will Eisner’s works and biographies as well as the graphic novels nominated for the 2016 Will Eisner Comic Industry Awards at Comic-Con International. The grant award includes a travel stipend for a library representative to travel to the 2016 ALA Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida to receive recognition from the Will and Ann Eisner Family Foundation. This new grant opportunity debuted in 2014, and in its second year the grants received nearly 150 proposals and the winning libraries — Yuma High School Library, Yuma, Arizona, and Bellmore Memorial Library, Bellmore, New York — were announced at the 2015 ALA Annual Conference in San Francisco.

"The Will Eisner Innovation Grant has provided my library with the means and opportunity to not just promote graphic novels in the library collection, but also to teach our patrons the value of graphic novels as a storytelling format which can be used to strengthen the connections between members of our community," said Bellmore Memorial Library’s Head of Teen Services — and winner of the 2015 Eisner Innovation Grant for Libraries — Valerie Acklin.

The grant is administered by ALA’s Gaming Round Table and the Graphic Novels & Comics in Libraries Member Initiative Group.

For any inquiries, please contact ALA Graphic Novels & Comics in Libraries Member Initiative Group staff liaison Tina Coleman at ccoleman@ala.org.

BRITISH LIBRARY RELEASES MILLION IMAGES FOR ANYONE TO USE, REMIX AND REPURPOSE

If you have projects that could benefit from images from books published in the 17th to 19th centuries, the British Library may have an image for you to use as you will. See their 2013 blog post [A million first steps](#) for details. There are a number of Alaskan images, but you will need to work at searching for them. Going to Google and entering [alaska inurl:britishlibrary site:flickr.com] will give you a rough sense of what’s available for Alaska. Once you find a specific image, it is easy to bring up all other images associated with the book you found the image in.

FRIDAY BULLETIN

Linda Thibodeau, State Librarian and Director

Division of Libraries, Archives, and Museums - Alaska Department of Education and Early Development
PO 110571, Juneau, AK 99811-0571 - Tel: 465-2911 - Fax: 465-2151 - linda.thibodeau@alaska.gov