

Library Officer Day
Monday 31st March 2025
STATE LIBRARY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA



From 8.30am	Registration Conference bookshop and trade displays					
9.00am – 9.30am	Welcome <i>Opening of Library Officer Day by Rebecca Murray, WASLA President</i>					
9.30am – 10.30am	KEYNOTE PRESENTATION Isobel Bevis – WA Author <i>The importance of books that tell the true history of Aboriginal people and the role that libraries play in truth-telling</i>					
10.30am – 11.00am	MORNING TEA <i>Conference bookshop and trade displays in the foyer area</i>					
SESSION 1 11.00am – 12.00pm	Selection and Purchasing	Library Design	Partnering with Public Libraries	YA & Children’s Literature	The AI Advantage in Your Everyday	
SESSION 2 12.05pm – 1.15pm	DESTINY (In Person TBC)	SOFTLINK OLIVER (In Person)	FUNCTIONAL SOLUTIONS SMARTSUITE (In Person)	ACCESSIT (In Person)	CONCORD INFINITY (Online)	HANDS-ON COPYRIGHT
1.20pm – 2.00pm	Lunch <i>Conference bookshop and trade displays</i>					
SESSION 3 2.05pm – 3.00pm	Art Gallery	Cataloguing	National Archives	Under the Sheets – SLWA	Cultural Centre Walking Tour	
SESSION 4 3.05pm – 3.30pm	Close and farewell ALL DELEGATES – Evaluation and information session <i>Prizes and giveaways</i> <i>Premier’s Reading Challenge</i>					

SESSION INFORMATION

Session 1

Selection and Purchasing: So many books, so little time! Selecting resources for a school library collection can be a daunting task. With so many great resources on the market, how do you decide which ones to purchase? Join the WA Department of Education's School Library Support team for some tips on how to make the selection process easier. **DoE's School Library Support Team**

Revitalizing your school library on a budget: Learn creative, cost-effective strategies to refresh and reinvigorate your school library space, enhancing engagement without breaking the budget. **Rebecca Murray & Natasha Georgiou (WASLA)**

Partnering with a public library: Explore strategies for school libraries to collaborate with public libraries, enhancing access to free resources and services that support student learning. **Patrizia Gianatti (Bassendean Public Library)**

YA Literature: Bev Jacobson from Champion is one of WA's leading experts on children's fiction. This session will help you develop your knowledge of which books to have in your school library collection. **Bev Jacobson (Champion)**

The AI Advantage in Your Everyday Jobs: Discover how AI can streamline everyday library tasks such as organisation, communication, and creative thinking. Free up time to engage with students and enhance their learning experience. **Louise Moreton & Dianna Maddigan (Mandurah Baptist College)**

Session 2

LMS Sessions: Your library management system representative will be and will focus on any new enhancements. For the most part they will be answering any questions that you have. **Please send your questions by March 15 to wasla@wasla.asn.au.**

Hands on Copyright: Discover practical strategies for managing copyright in your school and library. Gain useful tips to confidently handle common questions and navigate everyday copyright challenges with ease. **Rebecca Murray (WASLA President)**

Session 3

Art Gallery of WA Tour: Join one of our knowledgeable Voluntary Gallery Guides for an introductory look at some of the Gallery highlights. There is nothing like a personal interaction to spark the imagination. Whether you're a seasoned artistic traveller or apprentice explorer, our Voluntary Gallery Guides, offer that extra insight and revealing glimpse into the artwork, the era and the artist.

To catalogue or not catalogue: How important is cataloguing resources in your school library? RDA cataloguing standards focus on the user—helping them find, identify, select, and obtain materials (FISO). Do you want to ensure that your library operates efficiently and serves as a valuable resource for students, teachers, and school staff? Join this session to discover why cataloguing is essential! I'll cover the core elements of an RDA-compliant record, touch on MARC, and, most importantly, explain why cataloguing is the backbone of any functional school library. Topics will include ensuring easy access and organisation, saving time for users, promoting reading and learning, and effectively tracking inventory. **Phyl Paioff (North Metro TAFE, Lecturer, Library and Information Studies)**

National Archives of Australia: Interested in records on immigration, war service, citizenship and interesting stories that have national significance? The team will provide an overview of the National Archives collection and services, which will incorporate some demonstrations of their searchable database and educational resources available through their website.

Under the sheets @ State Library of WA: Take a glimpse between the sheets where the state collection is bedded in a tour of the State Library stacks and get the low down on the astonishing resources available to school students and educators.

Cultural Centre Walking Tour: Using your phone & QR technology explore the history of this area with primary sources compiled by the SLWA.