



Illinois Library Association

ILA Forum and Committee Reports

This form is to be completed by committee chairs/forum managers in collaboration with board liaisons. The ILA Executive Board will have meetings on the following dates in 2023-24: 9/14/2023, 11/16/2023, 1/11/2024 (mid-year “mini meeting;” no report necessary unless you are requesting board action), 3/7/2024, 5/16/2024. Reports should be submitted two weeks before each board meeting to the board liaison, the ILA staff liaison, and emailed to ila@ila.org.

Forum or Committee: 2024 Conference Planning Committee

Report completed by: Laura Barnes

Date: 8/30/2023

Activities underway or completed since the last report:

The committee met on July 19. During the meeting, we outlined the schedule for the year, began discussing subcommittee assignments, and brainstormed ideas for the conference theme, which we decided will be **Libraries are Lit: Sparking Innovation and Imagination!**

Subcommittees include:

- Call for programs/poster sessions/Ignite!
- Ambiance/Community project
- Tuesday/Wednesday night activities
- Speaker education
- Promotion

Projected activities during the upcoming months:

- Finalize conference theme summary for designer
- Choose and approve conference logo
- Choose keynote speakers
- Develop and send out call for programs/poster sessions/Ignite
- Choose programs for conference
- Decide on a community project
- Develop plans for Tuesday and Wednesday evening events

- Develop speaker education materials
- Promote the conference
- The committee has Zoom meetings scheduled for September 18 and November 13

Questions or concerns that need to be addressed by the ILA Board:

None.