



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 2021-22: 9/23/21, 11/18/21, 1/13/22 (mid-year “mini meeting;” no report necessary unless you are requesting board action), 3/17/22, 5/19/22. Reports should be submitted two weeks before each board meeting to the board liaison and the ILA office, 33 W. Grand Ave., Ste. 401, Chicago, IL 60654-6799; fax: 312-644-1899; email: ila@ila.org.

Forum or Committee: Illinois Association of College & Research Libraries (IACRL)

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Activities underway or completed since the last report:

Spark: Looking Back, Looking Forward was held on June 11, 2021. The event was comprised of three lightning talks, a Q&A session, and an unconference.

The fall edition of the IACRL newsletter is underway and should be completed in late September or early October.

The Awards committee named Sue Franzen, our then-President, Academic Librarian of the Year.

The President and Past President are planning for the IACRL Annual Meeting and IACRL Unconference at ILA Annual. The annual meeting will include a DEI component in collaboration with the DEI Committee.

Projected activities during the upcoming months:

The Journal Club was not held during the summer months due to a feeling of general meeting overwhelm, but bimonthly meetings are starting up again. The next meeting will be held on September 29.

The Conference & Continuing Education Committee is looking at options for hosting another ACRL webinar viewing on Zoom.

The chair of the Membership committee had to resign, so we just installed a new chair and hope to resume work soon on membership videos and an upcoming social event.

The Executive Board meeting will be discussing a new timeline for the People's Choice Award in Scholarly Publishing as the previous timeline conflicts with the new officer transitions.

The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is working on opportunities for presenting DEI content with other committees or planning DEI events.

The Nomination committee will meet later this year to discuss nominees for the Spring 2022 elections.

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

None, thank you!