



BLACK CAUCUS

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Culture Keepers VII: Bridging the Divide with Information Access, Activism and Advocacy

*Birmingham, Alabama
Sheraton Conference Center
August 4-8, 2010*

Call for Program/Workshop Proposals

The Black Caucus of the American Library Association extends an invitation to all information professionals to join us in presenting educational and thought-provoking programs and workshops at the 7th National Conference of African American Librarians in the ‘Magic City’ of Birmingham. The Conference serves as a national meeting for professionals in all areas of the information industry and provides opportunities to discuss varying issues, formulate new visions, celebrate achievements and share best practices, as we address issues relevant to libraries.

You are invited to submit a proposal for a program or workshop for presentation at the conference. Presentations in all areas of librarianship and information science are sought, however we ask you to consider the conference theme, **Culture Keeper VII: Bridging the Divide with Information Access, Activism and Advocacy**, when developing proposals. Suggested topics include, but are not limited to:

- Innovative and Emerging Technology
- Service to Demographically Changing Communities
- Technology and Information Literacy
- Effective Leadership in Politically Challenging Environments
- Managing in Economically Challenging Times
- Preparing for Directorship
- Succession Planning
- Salaries and Pay Equity
- Recruiting Librarians
- Library Leadership and Community Collaboration
- The Essential Role of Library Friends, Trustees, and Foundations

Consider the following presentation formats: Individual and panel, or poster sessions.

Submission Guidelines

A Proposal that includes all of the following will be considered:

- Name and contact information for principal contact (if more than one person will be presenting)
- Complete contact information for all speakers: include name, title, employer or affiliation, email address, telephone/fax numbers
- Title of proposed program
- Program format and length
- A brief (100 words or less) description of the program for conference program purposes
- At least three learning outcomes
- Audiovisual/equipment requirements (if any); and
- Biographical statement of the presenter(s) (up to 50 words per presenter)

Selection Criteria

Successful proposals will:

- Identify critical issues in Librarianship that will be treated in the program
- Demonstrate how the audience will be engaged in program
- Have a high degree of relevance to the projected conference attendees
- Contain program content that can be re-purposed for continued discussion after the conference
- Be unique and innovative or raise issues that have not yet been widely examined
- Have their foundation in recognized research and/or statistics or present new research and/or statistics.

How to Submit Proposals

- Using the attached form, submit proposals by email (Word document or PDF attachment) to:

ms_marvtastic@nbt.org

- Direct questions about the 7th NCAAL conference programs to:

Sylvia Sprinkle Hamlin, Director
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Winston Salem, NC 27105
336-703-3016
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Proposal Submission Deadline: Friday, November 20, 2009
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PROGRAM PROPOSAL FORM

Contact Person _____
Title _____
Affiliation _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Telephone _____ Evening _____
Email address _____

Title of Proposed Program:

Format/Program Type: (individual, panel, poster, pre-conference or workshop)

Program Description: (100 words or less): _____

Learning Outcomes: 1. _____ 2. _____
3. _____

AV Requirements: _____

Biographical statement of the presenter(s) (attach - up to 50 words per presenter)

Submit Program Proposal to: ms_marvtastic@nbt.org

DEADLINE for Submission: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2009