



**Ethnic Services Round Table Membership Meeting**

**Date: Friday, April 8, 2022**

**Location: Virtual**

**Time: 2:00PM**

**Agenda:**

• **Welcome & Introductions**

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| 1. Rio Aucena                 | <a href="mailto:raucena@wlsmail.org">raucena@wlsmail.org</a> (New Rochelle Public Library)                         |
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| 9. Victoria Kowanetz          | <a href="mailto:Vkowanetz@queenslibrary.org">Vkowanetz@queenslibrary.org</a> (Queens Public Library)               |
| 10. Adriana Blancarte-Hayward | <a href="mailto:Adrianablancartehayward@nypl.org">Adrianablancartehayward@nypl.org</a> (New York Public Library)   |

• **Approval of NYLA ESRT Membership Meeting Minutes**

Date: Friday, January 28, 2022

Location: Virtual

Time: 2pm

Motion made by Fred to approve minutes; seconded by Manny, with everyone in favor

• **Treasurer's Report**

Fred Gitner

No report—NYLA hasn't sent anything since Dec. 2021. Hopefully, since NYLA is re-organizing, we will have something for the next meeting

• **NYLA Conference Curators Meeting Update (April 6, 2022)**

Indira Mukherjee

The 3 programs proposed by ESRT were approved for NYLA Conference 2022

The programs are: Re-inventing Ethnic Library Services; Combating Racism and "Utica the Last Refuge," the Resettlement Experience.

The Local History Round Table is interested in co-sponsoring the Refugee program; Fred will speak with them to see how we can collaborate and if they could help with the honorarium.

Indira will look at the programs approved by NYLA to see if ESRT could be a co-sponsor of any other programs.

Note: August 15 is the deadline to request a booth at the Conference Exhibits

• **Bylaws Task Force Update**

Fred Gitner, Kacper Jarecki, and Indira Mukherjee

Fred is working on the suggestions and revisions—will update

- **Publications Committee/Bibliography Committee Status Update**

Jo-Ann Wong, and Lindsay Davis

Since Jo-Ann is busy with her new job and can't devote the time at present; Kacper suggested that we should name someone else to take over.

Rio will reach out to Jo-Ann and Lindsay to find out the status (where are they with updates); will take over the ESRT Newsletter; Indira says she can help putting it into a trifold.

Manny suggested that since we are going back to NYLA in-person after 2 years of virtual conferences; having an updated brochure about ESRT (who we are; what we do) would be good to have at the booth.

Kacper suggested that since the Combatting Racism II series would be done and archived, we could list the link for people to view; Manny agreed and said that since we will be having a sheet that lists the programs ESRT is doing at the conference, we can add it to the sheet. So we would have the updated ESRT brochure; a Program Sheet w/Combatting Racism II links; a raffle and copies of ESRT's last book, "Connecting Cultures," to give to members or those joining ESRT.

- **Combating Racism Series 2022 Update**

Kacper Jarecki

The speakers are lined up; registration cost will be \$10 per session with a total of 5 sessions. If anyone would like to be moderator, there are some spots available. Monday, April 11 will be the deadline to submit the program description to NYLA. The series starts on May 11, 2022 thru June 8th. Kacper will find out if there will be a discount if you register for all 5 sessions.

- **Membership/Public Relations Committee Status Update**

Kacper Jarecki and Indira Mukherjee

-We had our trivia event on Feb. 25; there was a small but enthusiastic group

-Any ideas of what to do next; since the trivia attendance seems to be getting smaller; maybe something in person? Suggestions included Little Island and Governor's Island; Visit a library; book club; arrange for one of our meetings at a library, etc.

-Membership--we don't know exactly how many members in total there are because some people are listed in the NYLA roster and some are not, depending on whether they opt in or not

- **Old Business/New Business**

Nothing to report.

- **Schedule of Next Membership meeting**

Date: June 10 2022

Location: Adriana will check to see if we can go to NYPL's new Stavros Niarchos Foundation Library (formerly the Mid-Manhattan Library) with a possible lunch or dinner arranged

- Motion to adjourn the meeting by Fred. Seconded by Manny. Meeting Adjourned at 3:35pm.

Prepared by **Madellen Garcia, Secretary**

Edited by **Fred Gitner, Treasurer**