New York Library Association
Youth Services Section
2019 Spring Conference

THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS
Reflecting and Responding to an Ever-Changing World

DoubleTree Hotel Tarrytown
455 South Broadway, Tarrytown, NY 10591
Friday, April 26, 2019 ♦ 8:30AM to 4:15PM

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Dr. Kimberly Parker, Literacy Advocate & Educator

Kimberly N. Parker, Ph.D., teaches English at Cambridge Rindge and Latin School in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Her teaching and learning interests focus on the reading experiences of young black men and how to build positive literacy environments for them within classrooms. Parker is also the current secondary representative-at-large for the National Council of Teachers of English.

LUNCHEON SPEAKER: Susan Kuklin, Author of

We Are Here to Stay: Voices of Undocumented Young Adults,
Beyond Magenta, & more.

Susan Kuklin is the award-winning author and photographer of more than thirty books for children and young adults that span social issues and culture. Her latest book, We Are Here To Stay: Voices of Undocumented Young Adults, was released in January 2019.

Register at www.NYLA.org/YSS
8:30AM - 9AM ♦ Registration, Breakfast, Visit Vendor Booths

9AM - 10:15AM ♦ Welcome by Lisa Neuman, YSS President, and Liz Anastasi, Conference Chair; Keynote Address by Dr. Kimberly Parker

10:30AM - 11:30AM ♦ Workshop Session #1 (SELECT ONE)

1-A: Empowering Teens Through Civic Engagement
Erin Hoopes, Library Supervisor at Free Library of Philadelphia

Learn how to facilitate civic engagement through real life projects with a 2018 Library Journal Mover and Shaker. Learn how to use the Five Stages of Social Action to facilitate civic engagement in the young people at your library. Examples of real life projects, as they developed step by step, will be shared, along with tips for handling sensitive and potentially controversial discussions.

1-B: Understanding Stereotypes and Tropes in Children's Literature
Kiera Parrott, Reviews Director at School Library Journal/Library Journal

A deep dive into specific problematic areas that anyone engaging in readers' advisory or book promotion should be aware of and able to identify. Then, put your newfound knowledge to use, analyzing and evaluating a selection of picture books.

1-C: CSK at 50: Celebrating Coretta Scott King Book Award-Winning Titles
Susan Polos, School Librarian at Fox Lane High School
Maegen Rose, Middle School Librarian at Rye Country Day School

Celebrate 50 years of the Coretta Scott King Book Awards honoring African American authors and illustrators for work celebrating the African American experience. Learn about these titles and how you can share them with your community.

1-D: Drag Queen Story Hour: Radical Programming for an Ever-Changing World
Jonathan Hamilt, Founder of Drag Queen Story Hour NYC
Rachel Aimee, Founder of Drag Queen Story Hour NYC

Founders of Drag Queen Story Hour NYC lead a 1-hour session on the herstory of this radical programming for children 3-8 years old in public schools and libraries across the country and the world. They will share their reflections and responses to the media, community backlashes, and touch on how you can start your very own local DQSH Chapter.

1-E: Teaching App Design for Librarians
Austin Olney, Digital Media Specialist at White Plains Public Library

Designing mobile applications is a fun way to learn coding concepts and general thinking skills. With a wealth of free software tools available, librarians now have the ability to teach patrons how and where to get started. This workshop will focus on a web application called "App Lab" in order to show librarians how they can implement app design instruction.
11:30AM - 12PM ♦ Networking, Visit Vendor Booths, Book Sales, Visit the YSS Booth, and Raffle Sales

12PM - 1:30PM ♦ Luncheon with Speaker Susan Kuklin, Announcements and Raffle Drawings

1:30PM - 1:45PM ♦ Networking, Book Sales, and visit Vendor Booths

1:45PM - 2:45PM ♦ Workshop Session #2 (SELECT ONE)

2-F : Disability in Youth Library Spaces: A Panel of Perspectives
Liz Hughes, Youth Services Librarian at Half Hollow Hills Community Library
Mary Frances Layden, Student of Disability Studies at CUNY School of Professional Studies & Co-Founder of love bili nyc

This moderated panel will offer several perspectives on how to best serve disabled people in youth spaces in the public library.

2-G : Mindfulness in Children’s Programming
Nicole Guenkel, Children’s Librarian at Greenburgh Public Library

The whys and hows - incorporate fun and simple mindfulness activities into programming for toddlers through tweens. Participate in breathing activities and practice mindfulness techniques to use or adapt in your children’s programming or anytime, no matter what you are doing.

2-H : Fresh Approaches to Readers’ Advisory with Teens
Angela Carstensen, Author of ALA’s Readers’ Advisory Guide to Teen Literature & Director of Library and Media Services at Sacred Heart Greenwich

This workshop touches on a variety of reader’s advisory tools and resources, focusing on book talks and the readers’ advisory interview. New & upcoming teen books are incorporated so attendees will leave with a list of books to read and recommend.

2-I : LGBTQ & You: Making Your Library Safe and Inclusive
Mary Jane Karger & Peg Breen, GLSEN Hudson Valley
Melissa Iamonico, Southern Westchester BOCES School Library System

How do you support and promote LGBTQ materials and patrons, make your library a safe space, and prepare and protect against challenges? This workshop will explore collection development materials and resources to ensure all feel welcome in your library.

2-J : Program Brainstorm for Children’s Services
Tricia Sabini, Children’s Librarian at Ossining Public Library
Sarah Rodriguez, Children’s Librarian at Scarsdale Public Library

An engaging conversation with your peers. Listen and share your successes, challenges, and adventures in Children’s programming.
2:45PM - 3PM ♦
Book Sales, Visit Vendor Booths, Visit the YSS Booth

3PM - 4PM ♦ Workshop Session #3
(SELECT ONE)

3-K : Libraries Can Self Publish
Jessica Gordon, Youth Services Librarian II at Finkelstein Memorial Library
Joanna Goldfarb, Head of Teen Services at Valley Cottage Library

Discover how your library can employ self publishing for all kinds of programming.

3-L : STEAM Your Library: From Storytimes to Tweens -- Strategies for Incorporating STEAM in Programs
Elly Reardon, Children’s Librarian at The Merrick Library
Meira Broderick, Children’s Librarian at The Merrick Library

This presentation will provide boiler plate program ideas for adding STEAM concepts to your storytime for preschool and early-elementary aged children, as well as STEAM program ideas for older elementary-aged children (4-6th grades). The presentation will include discussion of prototype programs, best practices, and available content resources.

3-M : Program Brainstorm for Teen & Tween Services
An engaging conversation with your peers. Listen and share your successes, challenges, and adventures in teen and tween programming.

3-N : Table Talks
Roundtable discussions and hands-on activities highlighting a variety of programs and services. Learn about Fantasy Stock Market, Escape Rooms, cooking with kids in the library, rebranding, and more. Participants can attend multiple Table Talk topics during this workshop.

3-O : READSquared: Your Questions Answered
Sharon B. Phillips, Library Development Specialist / Youth Services / Program Manager Summer Reading and Ready to Read at New York Libraries at New York State Library
Amanda Latreille, Consultant for the New York State Library on READsquared project, AmaLat Consulting LLC

Get answers to commonly asked questions and learn how to get started with this no cost Summer Reading option for public libraries in New York State. Brand your reading programs and increase registration and participation through activities, book lists, challenges, and more.

QUESTIONS & INFORMATION

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Register Online @ NYLA.org/YSS

Early Bird Registration by March 1, 2019

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No registrations will be accepted after March 26, 2019

Lodging

The DoubleTree Hotel in Tarrytown is located at 455 South Broadway, Tarrytown, NY 10591

Overnight accommodations can be made by calling 914-524-6418 or visiting www.Tarrytown.DoubleTree.com and entering the group code NYLA. Let them know you’re with the NYLA YSS Conference and the dates

Diaper Drive Service Project

We are requesting diaper donations for the Westchester County Diaper Bank.

One package of diapers = One raffle ticket!

The Westchester County Diaper Bank, in partnership with the Westchester County Executive’s office and the Westchester County Department of Social Services, provides diapers at no cost as temporary assistance to families in need.

Past Presidents’ Dinner

All are welcome! Join the YSS Executive Board in honoring our Section’s past presidents and enjoy an evening of networking and visiting with friends.

Thursday, April 25, 2019
6:00PM - 9:00PM

Casaletto Ristorante
15 S. Central Avenue, Elmsford, NY 10523

$45 per person. Price includes dinner, dessert, and non-alcoholic beverage.