



1) Upcoming Events and Reminders

- The Inclusive Services Update for the month of June [is now posted](#). Any questions related to the update or inclusive services can be directed to Sherry Machones at smachones@northernwaters.org.
- V-Cat ILS Evaluation and Review Committee
Thursday, June 8, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
[Meeting Link](#). The [Meeting Agenda](#) is available here.
- In an effort to keep V-Cat representatives and member library staff informed, [here are highlights](#) from the June 2, V-Cat Council Meeting. Meeting documents are also available on the [V-Cat Meetings and Agendas page](#).
- WVLS will be sending out a file of bib records for **Backstage cleanup** on Tuesday, June 14 by 10 a.m. Please do not edit bib records on this day, and feel free to share this information with staff who do cataloging.

2) 2022 LSTA Grant Guidelines Now Available

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) released the final version of the Library Services and Technology Act ([LSTA Grant Information and Guidelines 2022](#)). All Wisconsin regional public library systems are eligible to apply. The LSTA Grants to States program is administered at the federal level by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). IMLS is the primary source of federal support for the nation's 123,000 libraries and 17,500 museums supporting statewide initiatives and services.

The categories for this year's LSTA Grants support goals established in the [LSTA Five-Year Plan 2018-2022](#) and are based on the federal LSTA priorities. Some of the categories include Professional Development Support to expand the availability and accessibility of trainings for public library and system staff to better serve their communities, Recollection Wisconsin to provide financial assistance for continued development of the collaborative digitization program, and Improved Discovery Solutions to support technology solutions to make it easier to search library collections and resources.

The guidelines, with additional Library Services and Technology Act Grant information, are available on the [DPI LSTA website](#). Please contact LSTAgrants@dpi.wi.gov with any questions.

3) 2022 Wisconsin Library Hall of Fame Nominations

The Wisconsin Library Heritage Center Steering Committee is accepting nominations for individuals to be inducted into the Wisconsin Library Hall of Fame in 2022. Procedures and nomination forms [can be found here](#).

Both the Wisconsin Library Heritage Center and the Wisconsin Library Hall of Fame are programs of the [Wisconsin Library Association Foundation](#). Induction into the Wisconsin Library Hall of Fame is granted to individuals who have made an exceptional contribution to the statewide improvement of library service in Wisconsin over a sustained period of time. Individuals who have worked in and/or advocated for Wisconsin libraries will be considered. Both living and deceased individuals are eligible. Final selection of inductees into the Wisconsin Library Hall of Fame will be made by the Wisconsin Library Heritage Center Steering Committee and announced this fall at the Awards & Honors reception at the Wisconsin Library Association's Annual Fall Conference.

Nominations should be submitted to Annie Bahringer (Chair of the WLHC Steering Committee) as email attachments to milwaukeeewriter@yahoo.com by Friday, September 9.

4) Next Ryan Dowd Training: Mental Illness

Mental Illness: Live Q&A with Dr. Eric Ward and Ryan Dowd
Thursday, June 9; 1 - 2 p.m.

Contact Jamie at WVLS (jmatczak@wvls.org) for the registration links. Recordings of the live trainings will be available via Zoom for four weeks.

5) Upcoming Webinars

- [Making Libraries More Accessible to the Visually Impaired](#) - 9 a.m. on Wednesday, June 8
- [Anxiety at Work: Strategies to Help Teams Build Resilience and Get Stuff Done](#) - 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 8
- [Policies of Yes](#) - 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 8
- [Beyond Resilience: A New Path to a Strong Culture](#) - 1 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8
- [Instagram Basics for Libraries](#) - 1 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8
- [Compassion Resilience: Expectations from Self and Others](#) - 9 a.m. on Friday, June 10

6) IMLS Releases Research on Library Services during Onset of COVID-19

The Institute of Museum and Library Services announced the release of two pieces of research on libraries and the COVID-19 pandemic. The first, a two-page infographic titled "How Public Libraries Adapted to Serve Their Communities at the Start of the COVID-19 Pandemic," highlights strategies public libraries used to ensure patrons had access to library services as the pandemic forced closures in communities around the nation beginning in March 2020. [Read the press release from IMLS.](#)