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# VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

August 17-19, 2020

Indiana Library Federation leads, educates, and advocates to advance library services for the benefit of Indiana residents.



The **Indiana Library Federation 2020 VIRTUAL Youth Services Conference** will be held on afternoons, Monday through Wednesday, August 17-19. The virtual conference allows us to reach more people, offer additional opportunities to engage safely, and allow for a single participant to receive as many as 18 LEUs (with TLEUs) of fantastic content. The Virtual Conference offers both live and on-demand sessions, with recordings available for 6 weeks.

The ILF Youth Services Conference has a reputation for fun, interactive conference experience. Plan to turn on your camera, turn up your mic, and get ready for YS Virtual: Count Me IN!

#### **Virtual Conference Rates**

Member - \$115 Non-member - \$175

#### **Group Rates**

Libraries may purchase five (5) or more staff registrations for a discounted rate. If you are sending a group of up to five staff, you are eligible for special pricing of \$400 as an institutional member and \$550 as a non-institutional member. If you are submitting more than 5 staff, please complete two group forms. Please contact Tisa Davis (tdavis@ilfonline.org) with questions on registration.

# **Keynote - Leah Johnson**

Leah Johnson is a writer, editor and eternal Midwesterner, currently moonlighting as a New Yorker. She is a 2021 Lambda Literary Emerging Writers Fellow whose work has been published in BuzzFeed, Autostraddle, Catapult, and Electric Literature among others. Her debut YA novel, You Should See Me in a Crown was named one of Cosmopolitan's 15 Best Young Adult Books of 2020, and was an Indies Introduce and Junior Library Guild selection. Her sophomore novel, Rise to the Sun is forthcoming from Scholastic in 2021. Visit her at byleahjohnson.com.



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building peace for healthy communities

Peace Learning Center has taught participative and performance-based courses and workshops on nonviolent conflict resolution, conflict management, team building, and other courses based on mutual respect and appreciation for others since opening in 1997. Join them as they lead participants in interactive activities that engages the audience in self-awareness, self-reflection, and skill building.

## **MONDAY AT-A-GLANCE**

12pm - 1:30pm	Welcome and Keynote Leah Johnson
1:30pm - 1:45pm	Brain Break
1:45pm - 2:45pm	Tails & Tales: CSLP 2021
2:45pm – 3pm	Brain Break
3pm – 4pm	Going Virtual: Programming for the age of COVID and beyond!
4:05pm	Social

# **MONDAY SESSIONS**

12pm - 1:30pm

**Welcome & Keynote with Leah Johnson** 

1:30 - 1:45 Brain Break

1:45pm - 2:45pm

Tails & Tales: CSLP 2021

Join Beth Yates, the Indiana State Library's Children's Consultant, as she shares information and updates about the Collaborative Summer Library Program's animal-themed 2021 program "Tails and Tales." Please come prepared to share your program ideas at this interactive session!

Presenter: Beth Yates, Indiana State Library

2:45pm - 3pm Brain Break

#### 3pm - 4pm

#### Going Virtual: Programming for the age of COVID and beyond!

When quarantine hit, librarians were left scrambling to maintain connections with their patrons. Many of us feel like we were handed a mess! Virtual Programming (VP) filled in the gaps but can it be more than a makeshift measure? Yes! VP empowers librarians to . . . supersede budget, space, and resource limitations. . . . meet former and current patrons where they are at. . . . offer fun, creative programs that promote the use of library materials. Learn about practical, innovative VPs your library can recreate today!

Panelists: Sarah Morbitzer and Heidi Lovett, North Manchester Public Library

4:05pm - Social Event

# TUESDAY AT-A-GLANCE

12:15pm - 1:15pm	Supporting Homeschool Families
1:15pm - 1:30pm	Brain Break
1:30pm – 3pm	Peace Learning Center: Conflict Resolution
3pm - 3:15pm	Brain Break
3:15pm - 4:15pm	Virtual Programming Know-How: A Technical Perspective
4:15pm	Social

# **TUESDAY SESSIONS**

#### 12:15pm - 1:15pm

#### **Supporting Homeschool Families**

In addition to the families that already homeschool in your community, others are considering this path to stay home and educate their children in response to COVID-19 as a health precaution or in anticipation of guidelines provided by local school districts. Libraries are able to support parents and caregivers with learning at home as they face challenges new to them.

Presenters: Suzanne Walker, Indiana State Library and Shelby Peak, Indianapolis Public Library

#### 1:15pm - 1:30pm Brain Break

#### 1:30pm - 3pm

#### **Peace Learning Center: Conflict Resolution**

#### 90 minute session

Join Peace Learning Center as they lead participants in interactive activities that engages the audience in self-awareness, self-reflection, and skill building. Participants will learn about conflict styles and STEP (a process for solving conflict) equipping them better to handle conflict individually with their peers, patrons, and family.

Presenters: Peace Learning Center Team

#### 3pm - 3:15pm Brain Break

#### 3:15pm - 4:15pm

#### **Virtual Programming Know-How: A Technical Perspective**

Join experts from Butler University for this session on improving the quality of your virtual programs. Using free Adobe Spark as a platform with transferable skills to other online platforms, the speakers will demonstrate techniques to improve the content, sound, and video of your virtual programs.

Presenters: Megan Grady, Butler University and Nick Wilson, Butler University

#### 4:15pm - Social Event

# WEDNESDAY AT-A-GLANCE

12:15pm - 1:15pm	Make it All Count	
1:15pm - 1:30pm	Brain Break	
1:30pm - 2:45pm	Ten Tips to Supercharge your Virtual Programming	
2:45pm - 3pm	Brain Break	
3pm – 4pm	Peace Learning Center: Managing Stress	
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# WEDNESDAY SESSIONS

#### 12:15pm - 1:15pm Make it all Count

Create a happier, more efficient and effective team. From brainstorming to designing and implementing changes that count! Presenter will share tips and tricks to motivate, encourage and develop a growth mindset team atmosphere —moving them to choose to be their best to move your library forward.

Presenter: Beth Munk, Kendallville Public Library

#### 1:15pm - 1:30pm *Brain Break*

#### 1:30pm - 2:45pm

#### Ten Tips to Supercharge your Virtual Programming

How do libraries improve virtual programming from a technical perspective? By buying \$20,000 dollars worth of new video equipment right? Maybe not. Never before has video gear been so affordable and accessible. You may have everything you need already in-house. Learn how to use your existing equipment more effectively and what affordable additions can shift your productions into the next gear. Willing to have your virtual program critiqued live? Email ILF staff in advance.

Presenter: Brian C. Paul, Brian Paul Productions

#### 2:45pm - 3pm Brain Break

#### 3pm - 4pm

#### Featured Partner - Peace Learning Center: Managing Stress

Join Peace Learning Center facilitators as they work you through managing your stress, and the stress of your staff, as you plan your library reopenings in this COVID-19 environment. These expert facilitators will work through presentation and interactive exercises acknowledging professional and personal wellness, as well as techniques for regulation. The information gained in this session will help you lead by example once returning to your physical library space.

**Presenters:** Peace Learning Center Team

# **ON-DEMAND SESSIONS**

#### **Serving Head Start Classrooms through Outreach**

The Monroe County Public Library reaches out to 23 classrooms housed in 11 Head Start facilities to provide age appropriate programming and book collections each month. Join outreach librarian Dana Duffy to learn how to create portable programs for preschool audience and partner with other agencies that serve youth in your community.

Presenter: Dana Duffy, Monroe County Public Library

#### **Engage Patrons with Tech Tools**

School librarians often use technology tools to engage their patrons (students), many of those can easily transfer over to the public sphere and serve public librarian patrons and staff. We will look at Padlet, Flipgrid, Wakelet, and possibly a few others! These can all be used to both receive information from and distribute information to patrons. They are great for building virtual interaction!

Presenter: JoyAnn Boudreau, Hamilton Southeastern Intermediate/Junior High

#### Writing Black Joy

Featured author Leah Johnson shares her journey of "writing black joy" in an interview with Megan Telligman, partner at Indiana Humanities.

#### **Teens in the Library: Why They Matter**

Connecting with teenagers can be confusing and tricky to navigate, but it can also be incredibly rewarding and fun! Come learn some best practices for welcoming teens into your library why it is so important that we validate every teen that walks through the door. Learn some beginner teen neurobiology and developmental processes that will help in understanding how teens think and see the world.

Presenter: Kelsey McLane, Goshen College

#### Bringing Literacy into the Home and Beyond

What happens when you take a child's education back to where it started? In the 21st century, technology and forward thinking practice has enabled library services to move beyond the library building. In keeping with the traditional role of libraries to promote and spread literacy, but taking an updated approach, the Muncie Public Library's Academic Enrichment Department promotes literacy by enhancing after school programming and bringing it right to the families' front door.

Presenter: Katie Lehman, Muncie Public Library

#### Supporting Grieving Children & Youth

The death of someone you love can be one of the most difficult experiences of your life. When a child experiences the death of someone significant, his or her feelings and thoughts may become confusing and overwhelming. Children and teens grieve differently than adults. In the long term, unrecognized or unreconciled grief may negatively impact a child as he or she enters adulthood. Brooke's Place presents developmentally appropriate principles and resources to support grieving children, youth and families.

Presenter: Kelly Petersohn, Brooke's Place for Grieving Young People

#### Math Masters: Math Programs That Go Beyond Numbers

Looking for ways to incorporate hands-on math programs that are engaging and fun? Wondering how to apply the M in STEAM? This session will share programming ideas that are low cost, interactive, easy to implement, and scalable to most age groups.

Presenter: Cindy Baumeister, Crown Point Community Library

#### **Dyslexia: A Civil Rights Issue for 1 in 5 Americans**

Most dyslexics remain undiagnosed and treatment remains tragically unobtainable in most public schools. Low literacy is a pipeline to prison. Learn about dyslexia and how your library can help this population.

**Presenters:** Anne Guthrie, Greenwood Public Library and Cheryl Clemens

**Counting on Books to Make a Difference** Books can provide windows and mirrors. Diverse collections help all children and adults feel included as well as help us understand others. Attendees will learn about new books and authors with a list of the new and diverse titles, some understanding of the content of the books, and an update on changes in the book world.

Presenter: Shirley Mullin, Kids Ink Children's Bookstore

#### Many thanks to our 2020 Youth Services VIRTUAL Conference sponsors.







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## **2020 Youth Services Division Leadership**

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Beth Yates Indiana State Library

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