

What was the best part of Branch Out 2016?

- Networking
- Meeting other SDLA librarians
- Yoga was fun.
- Presenters and the topics. Dee Dee is very inspirational. The networking is always a very important part to any conference.
- Meeting with other library staff.
- Digital literacy on a budget
- Meeting other library staff, Dee Dee Raap's pink flamingo talk, yoga session
- Keynote speaker
- Connection with other librarians and staff and trustees. It also was a great way to get my trustees to attend without investing too much cash and time. It's difficult for most of them to get away during the school year.
- I enjoyed the breakout sessions and getting to connect with other library workers from around the state. Also, the yoga session was great!
- The social media breakout session.
- The keynote speaker was good and the session on using social media
- Getting to talk to a real person about library questions

What would you like to see done differently at Branch Out?

- Expansion; schedule available sooner
- Some programming for Academic Paraprofessionals
- Not sure
- With a small conference, if possible, it would be nice to do introductions of all attendees. I met the people around my table area, but did not have a chance to really know who some of the folks on the other side of the room were, although was able to meet some in sessions.
- I would not like to see Dee Dee Raap any more.
- More interactive panels (not just sitting and listening to someone talk)
- It was my first time, I enjoyed it all
- Have a yearly Branch Out? Have one in the middle of the state... Chamberlain or Pierre?
- A little bit longer transition time between sessions would be helpful to both presenters as well as attendees when the sessions go over time.
- Not sure on this one – I did take some time to resolve a library question with a librarian and missed one of the sessions. However I don't know if scheduled in time to speak with one another would be necessary – the day moved along at a nice clip.

Please share any other feedback that may be helpful to SDLA:

- Thank you for all of your hard work!
- Expand the programming subjects.
- More direct marketing to library directors in the region? Being in SF, I thought it would be a perfect opportunity for many from Siouland Libraries to attend, but I didn't run across any.
- Have a better mixer in the morning so we can be able to talk to everyone at the conference, not just those we sit near. Thank you for putting on Branch Out! I enjoyed it very much.
- I enjoyed the whole thing. I liked that lunch was provided. It didn't have that leave; hurry to eat; be late back
- We enjoyed all of the sessions and the keynote speaker. Keep up the great work!
- It was really nice to have an Interlibrary Loan session to be able to ask questions and get clarification on some of the procedures.
- Robotics session should have had more hands on... kits to look at, etc.
- Thank you for giving us opportunities to enhance our understanding and efficacy of library services.