

Missouri State Library

Show Me *Express*

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Show Me Express features time-sensitive information about State Library programs and current news of interest to the Missouri library community.

Mental Health First Aid Training Opportunities

It can be difficult to know how to react if someone in the library is experiencing a mental health crisis. What should be said or done? Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) training can equip anyone with the tools necessary to assist someone during a mental health crisis. It is not training to make a diagnosis, but rather what to say or do, and how to get the help necessary for someone who is in a crisis situation.

The Missouri Department of Mental Health's Librarian 411 Project will offer four **free** MHFA trainings for Missouri library staff in spring 2015. Registration is required and can be completed at [MHFA 2015](#). Dates and locations are:

Location: The Library Center Auditorium, 4653 S. Campbell Ave., Springfield

Date: Monday, March 23, 2015

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Location: Columbia Public Library, 100 W. Broadway, Columbia

Date: Wednesday, March 25, 2015

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Location: Woodneath Library Center, 8900 Flintlock Roa, Kansas City

Date: Wednesday, April 15, 2015

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Location: Buder Regional Branch, 4401 Hampton Ave., St. Louis

Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2015

Time: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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Legislative Update Webinar on April 2, 2015

State Librarian Barbara Reading will host the next Legislative Update webinars on April 2 at 2 p.m. Tune in to catch up on the legislature's activity and stay current on topics of importance to the library community. Randy Scherr from MLA will also share his views of the legislative session. Each webinar will be about 45 minutes, or until all questions are answered.

Registration is required and may be completed [online](#). Registration will be available up to the webinar start time. Microphone use will not be available to participants during the webinar. All questions or comments need to be submitted through the chat box on the webinar screen.

Introduction to GCFLearnFree.Org Webcast Archived

The webcast *Introduction to GCFLearnFree.Org* is now archived for viewing at [watch.more.net](#). In this webcast, Jessica Meadows introduces participants to the free online learning opportunities made available through GCFLearnFree.Org, a program of the Goodwill Community Foundation and Goodwill Industries of Eastern NC, Inc. Over the past decade, the foundation's GCFLearnFree.org program has helped people around the world learn the essential skills they need to live and work in the 21st century. From using Microsoft Office and e-mail to reading, math and more, the website offers over 90 free, self-paced tutorials, including more than 1,000 lessons, videos and interactive activities.

Upcoming Continuing Education Opportunities

Passive Programming Webinar

On March 19, 2015, from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., the Missouri State Library will host a webinar on passive programming. Emily Wichman, author of *Librarian's Guide to Passive Programming: Easy and Affordable Activities for All Ages* will be the presenter. Topics for the webinar will include an overview of passive programming and tips on program development marketing, and evaluating its impact. There will also be an emphasis on providing passive programs for teens. Registration is required and may be completed [online](#). For more information, contact Lisa Peters, Youth Services Consultant, at lisa.peters@sos.mo.gov or (800) 325-0131.

Family-Friendly Libraries Webinar

On April 16, 2015, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m., the Missouri State Library will host a webinar on creating a library environment that encourages early literacy. Presenters Jacque Gage and Jeana Gockley, from the Joplin Public Library, will discuss how to make your library family-friendly with a focus on physical space, parent resource collections and programming. Registration is required and may be completed [online](#). Any questions regarding the webinar should be directed to Debbie Musselman at debbie.musselman@sos.mo.gov or (800) 325-0131.

Creating Successful Adult Programs Webinar

On May 21, 2015, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., the Missouri State Library will host a webinar on planning, implementing, marketing and evaluating adult programs. The presenter is Joey Holmes from the Laurens County Library in Laurens, South Carolina. Holmes has arranged or been closely involved with 100 events ranging from wood lathe and pottery wheel demonstrations to lectures on moonshine, ghosts and extreme couponing, as well as the more traditional musical presentations and author events. He has presented for the South Carolina State Library, the Humanities Council of South Carolina, the Association of Rural and Small Libraries and WebJunction. Registration is required and may be completed [online](#). Any questions regarding the webinar should be directed to Debbie Musselman at debbie.musselman@sos.mo.gov or (800) 325-0131.

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