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Mission of the Association


To provide leadership in the development and promotion of resources in the library, archives, records management and information sectors for the accomplishment of institutional mandates


Purpose of the Association

-  To unite all persons engaged or interested in library and information work in Jamaica and to provide opportunities for their meeting to discuss matters related to library and information work.

-  To encourage co-operation between institutions engaged in library and information work throughout Jamaica and to promote their active development and maintenance.

-  To promote a high standard of education and training for staff in such institutions.

-  To engage in activities that will improve the status of staff in these institutions.

-  To promote a wider knowledge of library and information work and to form an educated public opinion on such work.

Acknowledgement

I am delighted to have this opportunity to extend my gratitude and acknowledgement to the entire membership of LIAJA for their/your support over the period February 2022 - January 2023. To serve as your president this administrative year has truly been my absolute pleasure and an honour that is forever etched in my memory. My reflection at the start of our journey last year was on the premise that the library and information profession is not a “mere flotsam and jetsam” in the information ecosystem. This idea has assumed a life of its own evidenced by the attitude, character, strength and collective courage through which the mandate of the association was carried out in the face of challenging times. The tremendous work we do across this island Jamaica, and the high quality of service we continue to offer indicate that we hold pride of place in our society as purveyors of truth. Our profession is a calling that has mantled us as information professionals with the responsibility to serve as ambassadors of truth in this epoch of misinformation and disinformation. A challenge that I can sincerely say we have met, and continue to excel in with the passage of time. For this, I am truly grateful.

Members, heartfelt thanks for your personal commitment to making a difference in these unprecedented and challenging times. Your support and work made it possible to delve into new ways of managing the affairs of the Association. Certainly, your involvement and participation in the various activities throughout the year made it a most memorable experience. I acknowledge all your efforts; none was too small or insignificant and none was too large and out of place in helping this administration to provide leadership in the development and promotion of libraries, archives, records centres and all information sectors for the accomplishment of the Association’s mandate.

Once again, I thank you for selecting me for this 2022 executive term and for all your continued guidance and support throughout the year.

Thank you

Sincerely,



Kerry-Ann Rodney-Wellington

President

Introduction

The 2022 administrative year saw the Association embarking on several initiatives geared towards accomplishing its stated objectives: these objectives as stated are,

1. Strategically seeking to expand the knowledge and advocacy skills of members of the Association.
2. Maintaining already existing relationships with international library organizations
3. Actively engaging our members; seeking to provide new and innovative ways for training and development of staff in library institutions.
4. Moving forward in exploring new and profitable avenues for the continued financial sustainability of the Association.

The Executive of the association was invited to meet with representatives from both the Barbican and the Calvary Baptist churches, in an effort to garner know-how in the establishment of a library to serve their respective communities. In hindsight, the initiative continues a historical trend and underscore the ethos that libraries were always an integral part of the church and community. Additionally, the president was invited to a meeting with the Jamaica Broadcasting Commission in which the creation of a digital media and Information literacy curriculum for the Jamaican education system was discussed. This was to ensure that all stakeholders within the information community were able to contribute to the dialogue and creation of such a ground-breaking initiative. Special note must be made on the occasion wherein the president was invited by the Government Libraries Information Network of Jamaica (GLINJA) to make presentations to its members and stakeholders. This presentation facilitated dialogue concerning both individual and institutional membership in the library and information sector.

For the year, we maintained our membership with our international partners, the Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL). Additionally, we had representation from members at the Association at the International Association of School Librarianship (IASL) Hybrid Conference and Research Forum held in Columbia, South Carolina.

We also had a few workshops and information sessions that were geared towards actively engaging our members; providing them with support while highlighting new and innovative ways for development within the profession. The major accomplishments for the period will therefore be emphasized in the next sections.

Highlights from 2022

Annual General Meeting

On February 11, 2022, 76 members attended the Annual General Meeting. The AGM was facilitated online via the Zoom platform and face to face at the Escarpment Road New Testament Church of God, 3B Escarpment Road, Kgn. 6 . Members were briefed on the activities of the past year and also the upcoming plans for the new administrative year.

The 2022 Executive members are listed below:

Officers

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| President: | Mrs. Kerry-Ann Rodney-Wellington |
| Immediate Past President: | Mr. Mark-Jeffery Deans, JP |
| 1 st Vice President/Treasurer: | Mr. Joseph Kerr, JP |
| 2 nd Vice President | Ms. Nicola Palmer |
| Honorary Secretary: | Ms. Natoyna Garwood |

Section Chairs

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| Academic Libraries: | |
| Records and Archives. Management: | Ms. Tracey-Ann Ricketts |
| Retired Members SIG: | Ms. Leona Bobb-Semple |
| Schools: | Dr. Ruth Baker-Gardner |
| Special Libraries: | Ms. Leleka Johnson |

Institutional Representative

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| DLIS/ Education Institution Rep: | Mr. Mark-Jeffery Deans |
| JLS Representative: | Ms. Keisha Walton |
| NLJ Representative | Ms. Chantelle Richardson & Mrs Desaray Pivott-Nolan |

Working Parties

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| Education and Training: | Ms. Nicola Palmer |
| Fundraising: | |

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| Information Technology: | Mrs. Natalee Knight |
| Membership & Conditions of Services: | Mrs. Monique Forgie-Scott |
| Public Relations: | Mrs. Nicoleen Saunders-Grant |
| Research and Publication: | Dr. Sasekea Harris |

Sub-Committees

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| Advocacy | Mrs. Adele Meritt-Bernard |
| Awards: | |
| Functions: | |

Executive Meetings

Meetings of the Association were held on the second Friday of each month. All meetings of the Association for the year were held online via Zoom.

Regular Meetings

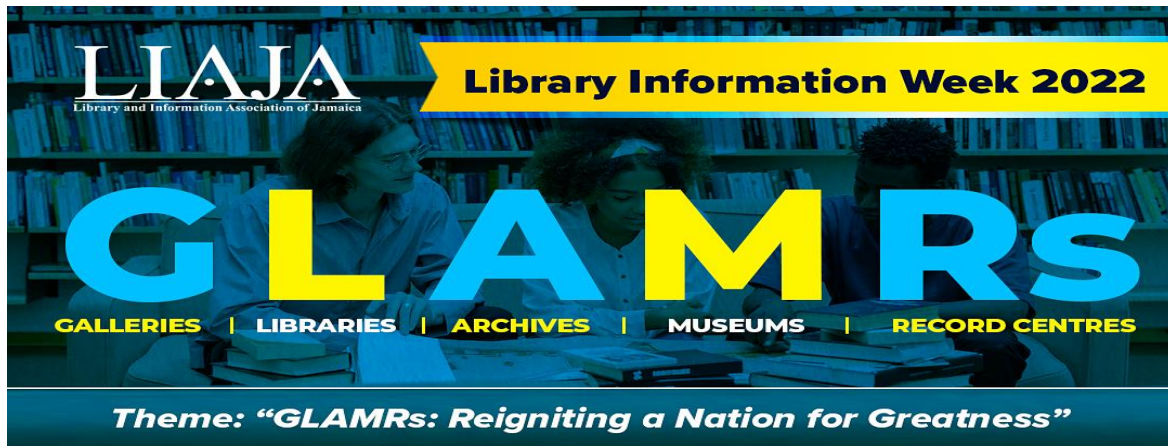
Two Regular Meetings were held for the year. The first was held via Zoom on July 8, 2022 and the second on November 25, 2022. The first meeting in July was preceded by a pre-meeting presentation on “Re-igniting Libraries for Institutional Greatness”, by Dr Paulette Kerr, Campus Librarian, The University of the West Indies, Mona. The second meeting was held face to face at the Calvin McKain Library, The University of Technology Jamaica. The second meeting was quite refreshing as it was a change from the online versions the Association has been having since 2020. During the first regular meeting a proposal was made for the adjustment of the membership fee structure. This was discussed with edits presented. The edits were presented at the second regular meeting and were accepted. The adjusted fee structure was voted on to be ratified in the 2023 Annual General Meeting.

Board Meetings

The last meeting of the board was held on January 27, 2021. The Board of Directors Meeting was held via Zoom, this was chaired by Mr. David Drysdale, Chair and gave insight and made recommendations concerning:

- ✚ Building and Property Development Sub-Committee Chair
- ✚ Paying LIAJA Property tax
- ✚ Updating records at the Company’s office

Library and Information Week 2022



Library and Information Week 2022 was successful, as various organizations undertook initiatives to celebrate and showcase their achievements. The week was celebrated October 30 - November 4, 2022, under the theme **"GLAM/Rs: Reigniting a Nation for Greatness"**

The following sub themes were highlighted:

LIAJA's support for IFLA's promotion of GLAM/Rs digitizing their collections, and seeking resources for developing or implementing a long-term strategy in preserving their digital collections.

LIAJA's support for GLAM/R institutions embracing the responsibility to provide citizens with useful information, in order for them to make proper decisions concerning all areas of life; thus, contributing to improved outcomes across the SDGs and contributing to "promoting peace, ethics, transparency and good governance; Public access to information; Intellectual Property Rights".

LIAJA's support for the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) initiative "Media and Information Literacy for the Public Good"

The image below gives an overview of the focused sections during library and information week:

LIBRARY & INFORMATION WEEK

OCTOBER 30 – NOVEMBER 4, 2022

THEME: "GLAMRs: Reignited for Greatness"

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2022

CHURCH SERVICES - KINGSTON AND MONTEGO BAY
KINGSTON - NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH OF GOD, 3B ESCARPMENT ROAD
MONTEGO BAY - CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2022

SCHOOL AND ACADEMIC LIBRARIES DAY

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2022

PUBLIC AND NATIONAL LIBRARIES DAY

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2022

**SPECIAL LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES AND RECORDS
DEPARTMENT DAY**

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2022

**LIBRARY AND INFORMATION PROFESSIONALS' DAY;
AND GLEANER SUPPLEMENT**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2022

GALLERIES AND MUSEUMS DAY



More information, please contact
liajaprjm@gmail.com

The Association thanks all those organizations/institutions which answered the call to contribute to the Gleaner Supplement on November 3, 2021. Your participation was paramount to the success of the supplement (Appendix 1). We invite and encourage all to join us in future publications.

2022 Gleaner Supplement Contributors

- ✚ Government Library & Information Network of Jamaica (GLIN-JA)
- ✚ Jamaica Library Service
- ✚ Office of Utilities Regulation
- ✚ The Association of Librarians in the Jamaica Library Service
- ✚ The University of Technology, Calvin McKain Library

Projects and Initiatives

LIAJA Standards and Guidelines for Academic Libraries

- ✚ This was a joint initiative between LIAJA and COLINET. The standards were geared towards providing guidance on the day-to-day operations of Academic Libraries. The standards were printed and are currently available at the Calvin McKain Library, University of Technology, Jamaica at a cost of \$1000.00

LIAJA Journal

- ✚ The journal was published December 2022. I must commend Dr. Saseeka Harris, Chair of the Research Working Party and her team for their efforts for this publication.

Librarian Series

- ✚ The series was incorporated within the Ministry of Finance and Public Service's Transformation of the public sector wage arrangements for the year 2022. Thus, we are uncertain as to where it now stands.

Church Libraries

- ✚ The Library and Information Association has been working with the Barbican Baptist and the Calvary Baptist churches to establish and streamline the libraries at those locations.

LIAJA's Membership Form

- ✚ Mrs. Monique Forgie-Scott, Chair of the Membership and Conditions of Service working party was able to launch the online membership forms which now includes a section for a photograph and a short biography for each member to complete.

LIAJA's Website

- ✚ Mrs. Natalee Knight, Chair of the IT working party has been working assiduously to keep the website updated. The *Events and Promotions* page was renamed to *News and Announcements* in order to facilitate current activities and news about the Association.

Report from Sections

Academic Libraries

The Association was unable to appoint a suitable candidate for this section during the period, despite several recommendations. However, a candidate for the Section was selected for 2023 – 2024 period.

Records and Archives Management

Submitted by: Tracey-Ann Ricketts, Chair, Records and Archives Management Section

The year 2022 saw the Records and Archives Management (RAM) Section with chair Tracey-Ann Ricketts. The year proved to be a mixed one for the section, filled with highs and lows.

The Strategic Plan for 2022 was developed, however, only a few of the initiatives presented came to fruition and the ones that did not was due mainly to time constraints of team members, the COVID-19 pandemic and personal issues. The outgoing Chair will support anyone who heads the Section in getting any proposals or initiatives that will be put forward.

Unfortunately, with the current COVID-19 crisis and time constraints the team only met twice via Zoom. The strategic plan for 2022 was completed at our first meeting and we discussed some plans to support practitioners in the RAM professions. Despite, not having official meetings, members in the section shared occasionally in the WhatsApp group. For Records and Information Week 2022, the RAM Section hosted a bake sale which was a success and the section wants to publicly thank all the members who have supported the bake sale. The RAM Section was in the middle of planning a certified training session for RIM Professionals and Para-professionals which should have been held in August 2022; however, this had to be postponed due to circumstances beyond our control. The section is hoping that this workshop will be successful in 2023.

I must thank my colleagues who recently have volunteered to be a part of the RAM Section and I hope they will continue to serve and support the section throughout the Administrative Year.

For the upcoming year we are hoping to have a RAM Section/JARD Partnership and I would like to invite all members to actively participate and encourage the members of their

respective institutions to do so as well. Whole-hearted gratitude to LIAJA for affording me the opportunity to serve as Chair for the RAM Section, it was indeed a pleasure. The experience gained was instrumental; my involvement within the Association has enhanced my professional and personal development.

Retired Members

Submitted by: John Arons, Secretary, Retired Members Group

With the apparent lessening of the COVID pandemic, the Executive Committee held a face-to-face meeting on May 22 – having not met since February 2020 – to organize a programme for the year. High on the Agenda was to plan a regular meeting and this was held on July 15 in the Multifunctional Room at the UWI Library.

The response by members to the meeting was encouraging, but in the end only seven (7) persons were able to attend. At the meeting, members were brought up to date on developments since the last regular meeting – which was the AGM – in December 2019. Tributes were also paid to members who had died during the period. A second regular meeting – which like the first would have been face to face – was planned for October 22, but it was cancelled as the response by members was not encouraging. Not much enthusiasm was shown for an on-line meeting. In view of these responses, an AGM was not held.

In spite of the above, members kept in touch with each other by visits and by telephone and WhatsApp. We rejoiced with Mrs. Gloria Salmon, one of our founding members, on the launch of her autobiography, *Beyond My Wildest Dreams*, on November 2, but we regretted that she was unable to attend the event due to illness. Sadly, we lost two of our committed members during the year – Mrs Lashmi Mansingh on February 19th and Ms June Vernon on July 18th. We also note with regret the passing, at the end of October, of Ms Blossom Mullings, a former President of the Jamaica Library Association (1990). May the Souls of our retired colleagues Rest in Peace.

In 2023, the Group will have to decide on the way forward. One of the urgent things to be done is to recruit new members so we can regain the vibrancy we once enjoyed.

School Libraries

Submitted by: Ruth Baker-Gardner, Chair, Schools Section

The section seems to have been the hardest hit by the pandemic and there have been significant fallouts. In addition, the mass migration of teachers has resulted in some of the teacher librarians leaving and some of those who opted to stay being assigned to

classes. In addition, morale among school librarians is at an all-time low due to the challenging working conditions. So currently, it would be acceptable to say the school libraries sector in Jamaica is in a crisis.

An online workshop scheduled for post-library week was rescheduled. It was rescheduled for Thursday November 17, 2022, however, only eight persons turned up. Nonetheless, they were engaged for three hours in the preparation of action plans for their school libraries. Based on observation, this is an area that needs additional attention as the principals and vice-principals who vet these plans are not knowledgeable about what should be in the plans. A follow-up workshop will be held on March 9, 2023.

Special Libraries

Submitted by: Leleka Johnson, Chair, Special Libraries Section

The Chair, Ms Leleka Johnson would like to use this opportunity to say a huge thank you to the LIAJA Executive Committee for the support once again. The section did not have any activity for the year. One meeting was held within the section, with potential persons to sit on the committee, however this did not bear any fruit.

Special Libraries were able to participate and contribute to the LIAJA Library and Information Week held in November 2022; however the section did not have any activities during Special Libraries week in April 2022. The libraries within the section have resumed their regular activities, so we are looking forward to a better year for the 2023-2024 periods. Majority of the libraries within the section are funded by the government, so because of COVID and other circumstances funding has been minimal.

LIAJA continues to support the section in any way possible and continues to encourage other Special Library to come on board and join the association. As the Chair, I am appealing to all the Special Librarians in Jamaica to come on board and join the section, you all are needed in order for the section to prosper and grow to its full potential.

Reports of Working Parties

Education & Training

Submitted by: Nicola Palmer, Chair, Education and Training Working Party

From the Executive Committee of the Library and Information Association of Jamaica, the Education and Training Working Party received the broad mandate to make plans to fulfill the following objectives:

- *Determine the training needs of the information professionals*
- *Plan seminars/workshops*
- *Distribute critical information among colleagues*
- *Engage in practical collaborations with Working Parties/Sections*
- *Manage the mentorship programme via Library Training Institutions*

The team comprising of Chair Nicola Palmer, Demar Cornwall and Sonia Stewart were only able to meet once on May 5, 2022.

Outcomes from the meeting:

- The need to revamp the mentorship program of LIAJA via the Library Training institution.
- Training sessions focusing on:
 - Use of collaborative tools in the workplace,
 - Accreditation Preparation for the Post Covid Institution,
 - Social Media Optimization.

The UCJ promised to organize a training session for Accreditation Preparation. As for the Social Media Optimization a consideration for a training session as been put in place. As it relates to the revamping of the mentorship programme contact was made with the president of Library & Information student society.

Fund Raising

Unfortunately the person elected to chair this working party was unable to continue in the post.

Information Technology

Submitted by: Natalee Knight, Chair, Information Technology Working Party

Mission/Objectives of the ITWP

The Information Technology working party plans, organizes, and suggests future information technology initiatives and activities, and formulates methods to better bring technology to the membership.

Roles & Functions

- Lead in the management and redesign of LIAJA 's webpage
- Facilitate IT training as required for members/executive

Strategic Priority

- To maintain a current LIAJA Website.
- To highlight various new and emerging technological tools which can be utilized or leveraged within the library and information sector.
- To promote lifelong learning, knowledge creation, and professional development.

Proposed Initiatives/Programmes for 2022

1. Update the LIAJA website. Areas of Focus: List of current Executive; Past Presidents, Photo Gallery, information on the Sections
2. Continue “Tech Tips”- An E-bulletin that will highlight library technology, general computer tutorials, technology news, software reviews, and personal computing tips. This will be published quarterly on the website: Apr.-Jun.; Jul.-Sept.; Oct.-Dec.
3. Create/Collate “Library Tech Weekly” feature for publishing on LIAJA social media pages (Facebook, Instagram). “Library Tech Weekly” highlights current technology trends in libraries and other information centres.

4. Create templates for Library and Information Week 2022, that can be uploaded to the website and circulated via the association's PRWP (Banner, Infographic, flyer, etc.)
5. Link LIAJA social media pages to the website.

Tasks Completed

1. The 2022 IT Working Party of five (5) members had its retreat on March 11, 2022.
2. A WhatsApp group was thereafter created for the ITWP members
3. Email addresses were created on April 29, 2022 for following LIAJA executives: Education and Training Working Party; Fundraising Working Party; and Functions Sub-section.
4. The LIAJA Executive members email signature, designed by the former PRWP chair was reviewed and passed on to the President for graphic design improvement.
5. Library Tech Weekly articles for June and July were submitted to the PR Working Party chair for posting on the LIAJA social media pages.
6. The following changes were made to the **LIAJA website**:
 - a) The LIAJA Executive members list was updated on April 5, 2022.
 - b) The updated list of Past Presidents and Secretaries was added to the website on the "About Us" page.
 - c) The new email addresses for Executive members were also added to that page.
 - d) The LIAJA constitution was removed from the website as requested on April 8, 2022 as it had errors needing correction.
 - e) Pictures of our Library and Information Week church services, our first face to face events since the COVID-19 pandemic, were added to the photo gallery on the website (liaja.org.jm).
 - f) Pictures from our last regular meeting in November were also added to the *Gallery* page.
 - g) The *Events & Promotions* page was renamed *News & Announcements*.
 - h) The notices of members who passed away recently (based on the information supplied by the PR WP) were added to the News & Announcements page.

- i) The QR code for the new membership forms, supplied by the membership WP, was added to the *Resources* page. The previous membership forms were removed.
- j) Headings for the various categories of information on the *Resources* page were added.
- k) An attempt was made to ensure that both the desktop view and the mobile view of the website were consistent and functional, but we realized that the feature “text overflow” was needed to ensure this. In reaching out to the website host, HB Jamaica, we found that such feature would incur an additional cost, so we opted to work around the feature.

7. Members who paid their membership fees via the LIAJA website during the period were sent a “thank you” note as well as their invoice as proof of payment. Ten (10) membership fee payments were successfully received for 2022. Members with incomplete transactions were sent a follow-up note to encourage completion.

8. There is currently an investigation on with HB Jamaica in regards to the removal of the security feature attached to membership fee payment via the LIAJA website. When paying fees via the website, members currently have to contact their bank and register their card before completing the transaction. Although this is a one-time task, most members paying through the website abandoned the process and leave the transaction incomplete.

9. There is also investigation to find out whether or not the LIAJA social media pages can be linked to the LIAJA website without additional or significant cost.

10. The Library and Information Week 2022 banner was done by the President’s office that had the expertise instead of by the IT Working Party as was stated as one of the initiatives for the year.

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| 2022 LIAJA ITWP Members |
| Chair – Natalee Knight, Systems Librarian, NCU - natalee.knight@ncu.edu.jm |
| Secretary/Assist. Chair –Denisha Douglas, Kingston Campus Librarian, NCU - denisha.douglas@ncu.edu.jm |
| Immediate Past Chair, Consultant – Marsha-Gay Robinson, Librarian, Caricom Secretariat |
| Social Media Consultant, Editor – Nicola Palmer, NCU Director of Library Services |

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| External Website Consultant – Christopher Dunn, Web Developer, NCU christopher.dunn@ncu.edu.jm |

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| 2022 Initiatives |
| 1. Create/Collate “Library Tech Weekly” feature for publishing on LIAJA social media pages (Facebook, Instagram). “Library Tech Weekly” highlights current technology trends in libraries and other information centres. |
| 2. Update the LIAJA website. Areas for Focus: List of current Executive; Past Presidents, Photo Gallery, other information. |

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| 2022 Collaborations |
| Membership WP |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with the Membership Working Party to get fillable versions of the membership forms on the website. |
| Public Relations WP |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit IT feature “Library Tech Weekly” to the PR team for publication on LIAJA social media platforms. |

2022 Library Tech Weekly Features

- How to Identify Tech Opportunities for Your Library
- What the Continuing Contactless Trend Means for Libraries
- 8 Ways AI Can Enhance Libraries
- How to Design Makerspaces with Purpose
- IoT (Internet of Things) and the Library of the Future
- Checklist: Library Online Privacy
- Must-Have Library Tech
- Open Source vs. Proprietary Library Software
- Public Libraries and Digital Equity
- <https://princh.com/blog-current-technology-trends-in-libraries/#.YkyR9CjMLIV>
Major Library Tech Trends in Late 2021
- <https://blog.techsoup.org/posts/keep-your-library-cybersecure>

- <https://www.libraryjournal.com/story/three-trends-future>
- <https://d-techinternational.com/us/blog/2022/03/21/four-trends-shaping-the-future-of-libraries/>
- <https://blog.techsoup.org/posts/library-innovations-for-2022>
- <https://d-techinternational.com/us/blog/2022/03/21/bringing-your-library-community-back-together-after-covid/>
- <https://the-digital-librarian.com/2022/04/13/how-to-affordably-engage-with-expensive-technologies-at-your-library/>

Membership & Conditions of Service

Submitted by: Monique Forgie-Scot, Chair, Membership and Conditions of Service Working Party

Introduction

The plans for the Membership and Conditions of Service Working Party (MCSWP) for 2022 were mainly focused on membership renewal, recruitment, member engagement and recognition. Due to the pandemic, there were not many opportunities for physical meetings and outreach activities, so the Working Party (WP) relied heavily on reaching members and potential members via digital means. Some of our activities are outlined below.

Membership Renewal and Recruitment

In order to increase the membership, member engagement, and to garner support for the working parties and sections, the first order of business for the MCSWP was an appeal sent out in April 2022 to members, past and present, as well as potential members, to join a working party or section. To bring about a better understanding of who we are and what we do, the Executive Job Descriptions were shared as well as the profile of each executive member.

To collect contact information, an electronic registration form was created and circulated among the membership, and to others. With the assistance of Mr. Mark-Jeffery Deans and Dr Ruth Baker Gardner, information was collected from students of UWI DLIS. Mrs. Keisha Walton was instrumental in collecting contact information from staff of the Jamaica Library Service. For people who provided contact information, they continued to receive announcements from the Association; however, not many of them signed up for membership or renewed. Hirfa Morrison of the Excelsior Community College, attempted to assist us with contact information from students in the DLIS LIS group, however, no response was received from EXED.

Several preliminary listings with the names of members were also circulated to members and non-members, along with the banking information for them to pay their fees as necessary. To facilitate the application process, the Chair, MCSWP, created an electronic application form and corresponding QR code which can be accessed from the LIAJA website. Publishing the preliminary listings proved very successful as quite a number of person applied for, or renewed their membership.

Member Recognition

A certificate of membership was created by Chair, MCSWP; a sample of which was shown at the Regular Meeting held in November. Starting in 2023, members will begin receiving their certificate of membership which will be valid for one year. These would be issued electronically but members can request hard copies for their files.

Congratulations were extended to Mr. John Aarons and his co-editors on their new publication “Archiving Caribbean Identity: Records, Community, and Memory. Congratulations were also extended to Dr. Sasekea Harris and team in publishing the LIAJA Journal number 3 (2022).

Birthday wishes were sent to retired members, Mrs. Norma Amenu-Kpodo and Dr. Hazel Bennett. A birthday greeting card was created for Kishma Simpson of the Jamaica Library Service and circulated.

Member Engagement

In observation of the 73rd anniversary of the LIAJA in the month of July 4 trivia questions were posted in which members were asked to guess the president based on clues given. Winners of the trivias were Lucianne Reid, Kadiesha Grant, Heather Thompson, and Tricia Pryce.

In celebration of Library and Information Professionals Day, November 3, 2022, the MCSWP hosted a Sip and Play Game Night. Though widely advertised, only a handful of members and non-members participated. However, the night was very well spent as attendees had a lot of fun.

Members/Non-members who passed

- June Vernon
- Eunice Valentine - McKenzie - Retired School Librarian
- Karlene Robinson - Retired Librarian, UWI Mona
- Blossom Millings - Retired Librarian
- Correen Fagan - Librarian, Calvin McKain
- Debbie Bonnick – formerly of Jamaica Library Service
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| LIAJA Membership Listing for 2022 | |
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| Type of Membership | Number of Members |
| Retired (Honorary) | 7 |
| Retired (not honorary) | 13 |
| Personal | 54 |
| Institutional | 21 |
| Student | 5 |

Public Relations

Submitted by: Nicoleen Saunders-Grant, Chair, Public Relations Working Party


The Public Relations (PR) Working Party continues to work on the objectives of keeping the membership up to date with the happenings of the Information industry with factual, timely and concise information. The committee is comprised of two members Nicoleen Saunders-Grant as Chair and Kadiasha Grant as the Social Media Coordinator.

Information Circulated

Via Email, Instagram, LinkedIn, Twitter and Facebook

Feb 17 Job Opportunities- National Library of Jamaica

The National Library of Jamaica invites applications from suitably qualified persons to fill the positions of:



National Library of Jamaica
Invites applications from suitably qualified candidates to fill the position of **Librarian 3 (PIDG/LB3)**.

Job Purpose
Under the direction of the Manager, Cataloguing & Classification, the incumbent catalogues legal deposit monographs, serials and articles as well as manages the serials collection and administers ISSN activities.

Key Responsibilities

1. Performs original and copy cataloging of all formats of library resources to facilitate their identification, access, and use.
2. Produces and maintains quality bibliographic records through strong knowledge and application of international and local standards such as RDA, MARC 21, LCSH, Dewey Decimal Classification.
3. Downloads, edits and upgrades MARC records from bibliographic utilities in NLJ databases
4. Input details about new material into NLJ databases.
5. Assists in the creation and maintenance of standardized authority records in the database to improve resource access.

Required Skills, Knowledge and Competencies

Core Competencies

- Oral Communication
- Written Communication
- Customer & Quality Focus
- Teamwork & Cooperation

Technical Competencies

- Excellent knowledge of Cataloguing and Classification
- Good Research and Reference Skills
- Knowledgeable about Preservation and Conservation practices
- Sound knowledge of Data Management
- Sound Knowledge of Information Communication Technology

Minimum Required Qualification and Experience

- Bachelor of Arts Degree in Librarianship or equivalent field from an accredited tertiary institution.
- At least two (2) years working experience as a Cataloguer.

Special conditions associated with the job

- May be required to work outside of normal working hours
- Dusty environment

Salary scale \$1,504,491 - \$1,788,367 p.a.

Feb 21 Passing of Mrs. Laxmi Mansingh

By now you must have heard the sad news of the passing of our colleague and friend Mrs Laxmi Mansingh on Saturday, February 19, 2022. We knew that she had not been well and was in hospital but that she was improving - that was not to be. With her passing the country, and indeed the region, has lost a committed, dedicated and hardworking librarian.

Laxmi was a faithful and active member of our Group and a very distinctive figure in her colourful saris. She was kind and generous and hosted the Retired Member Group for several functions at her beautiful home. Actually, it was at her home in December 2019, that the group had its last gathering, as it was the venue of our AGM and Christmas Luncheon. Those of us who were there will remember how Laxmi, as a gracious hostess, made us feel so comfortable and at home. Laxmi studied at the Department of Library Studies, as it was then called, after she and her late husband Ajai and their young son, came to Jamaica in 1973 from India via Canada. The family fell in love with Jamaica and quickly made it their home and found their respective niches in various fields.

For Laxmi it was in the field of medical information and for years she was the Librarian in Charge of the Medical Library at UWI. She played a major role as coordinator of the Caribbean section of the Latin American and Caribbean Center on Health Sciences Information, (BIREME), known as MedCarib. She was involved in the establishment of the MedCarib database (database of bibliographic references of information on health sciences in the countries of the English-speaking Caribbean).

Laxmi was a hard worker and produced several articles and over 10 annotated bibliographies on various topics such as on AIDS, Accidents in Children, Fetus and Related Topics, and on Poisoning (which included a manual) and Hypertension. Had she still been working after 2020 she would have undoubtedly produced one on COVID!



Any appreciation of the contribution of Laxmi to Jamaica and the region would be incomplete without mention of her beloved husband Ajai who died on 14 August 2011. Along with Ajai, a Professor in the Department of Zoology, they promoted the contribution of Indian culture to Jamaican life in many ways. In 1999 they produced the well-known work, Home Away from home: 150 years of Indian presence in Jamaica, 1845-1995 We extend our condolences to Laxmi's son Akshai, Dean of the Faculty of Sport at the UWI and a Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon and Sports Medicine Physician, her daughter-in-law Gunjan, a lecturer in the Department of Computing and her grandsons Abhijai and Atishai. May her Soul Rest in Peace

Mar 04, 10, 14, 16, 18, 21, 23, 25, 27 & 28 Department of Library and Information Studies (DLIS) 50th Anniversary Symposium

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DLIS 50th ANNIVERSARY SYMPOSIUM
MARCH 29 - 31, 2022
 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

DLIS@50: Celebrating Education, Innovation, and Collaboration in an Ever-changing world.

| CATEGORY | DURATION | FEE |
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| REGULAR | 3 DAYS | JMD \$10,500.00 |
| | 1 DAY | JMD \$3,500.00 |
| STUDENTS | 3 DAYS | JMD \$2,300.00 |
| | 1 DAY | JMD \$770.00 |
| RETIREES | 3 DAYS | JMD \$3,875.00 |
| | 1 DAY | JMD \$1,295.00 |
| GROUP OF 10 | 3 DAYS | JMD \$9,300.00 |
| | 1 DAY | JMD \$3,100.00 |
| PRESENTERS | 1 DAY | JMD \$2,300.00 |

For any enquiries regarding the programme, please contact: Dr. Ruth Baker-Gardner at ruth.bakergardner@uwimona.edu.jm

For all general enquiries, please contact: Dr. Paulette Stewart at paulette.stewart@uwimona.edu.jm

the contributions, challenges, and triumphs Libraries and librarians have made over the last 50 years in the Caribbean.

Mar 15 Census Data Collection Job Opportunities

Personnel needed for data collection period September to December 2022.

Are you interested in assisting with this year's Census?

Visit the link below for more information and to sign up.

<https://census.statinja.gov.jm/careers/>

Mar 21 World Poetry Day Celebration

Join the annual World Poetry Day Celebration.

The National Library of Jamaica will launch the National Poetry Competition and the Jamaica Poetry Archive.

It promises to be an exciting programme.

Link: <https://youtu.be/oWEtd4fRZ9I>

Mar 25 SDGs Progress Report 2019/20

Do you want to know how your efforts have contributed to the achievements of the SDGs?

or

Do you want to know what else you can do to assist the country in achieving the SDGs?

or

Do you want to get track of the progress of the country in reaching the SDGs and the 2030 agenda?

Please see the attached for an eCopy of the Progress Report on the Implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals 2019/2020.

April 12 Mona Library | Librations Newsletter

Out for your perusal is the latest issue of the Mona Library's Librations Newsletter.

Please see the attached flyer and follow the link to access the resource.

<https://www.mona.uwi.edu/library/sites/default/files/library/Librations%20Newsletter%20-%20March%202022%2C%20Issue%201%20%282%29.pdf>



April 16 & 25 RAM Bake Sale

It's Records and Information Management (RIM) Month and the LIAJA RAM section wants to celebrate our members in a sweet way!

We ask that you support our inaugural Bake Sale!!! by purchasing 24 cookies (\$1500) or 12 cupcakes (\$2000) or both for only \$3500.

Deliveries will be made on Thursday, April 28, 2022.



LIAJA
Library and Information Association of Jamaica

Records & Archives Management
(RAM) Section
PRESENTS

Bake Sale!!
24 scrumptious cookies - \$1500
12 cupcakes - \$2000

Date: Thursday, April 28, 2022

Place your orders here: <https://forms.gle/4YHVEBQz3Zq2qpTp8>
For enquires and feedback email us at liaja.ram.jms@gmail.com

April 25 Creatives & Intellectual Property Take 3

You are invited to participate in "Creatives & Intellectual Property Take 3," presented by The UWI Intellectual Property Help Desk @ The Alma Jordan Library and The UWI Film Programme, Thursday, April 28, 2022, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.



THE UWI INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY HELP DESK
@ THE ALMA JORDAN LIBRARY
&
THE UWI FILM PROGRAMME
PRESENTS:

**CREATIVES &
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
TAKE 3**

THURSDAY - APRIL 28, 2022
1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

FACILITATOR: MR. REGAN ASGARALI
(CERTIFIED INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY TRAINING - NATIONAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY TRAINING CENTRE (NIPITC))
CONTROLLER, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OFFICE
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL & MINISTRY OF LEGAL AFFAIRS
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

IP LECTURE @ THE UWI FILM PROGRAMME
DOCUMENTARY FILM: ROUND PEGS IN SQUARE HOLES (2019)
PRODUCED & DIRECTED BY - REBEKAH GUILLEN
Q&A

ZOOM ACCESS:
ID: 985 4877 7766
PASSWORD: 309294

LIVE @UWI Film Programme
@ The Alma Jordan Library
at the UWI St. Augustine

IP Week 2022

Please join JIPO, April 23 - May 1, 2022, during IP Week 2022.

Details of the celebration can be seen in the attached schedule.

Do make every effort to participate in as many of the activities as possible. Also, feel free to share this invitation with others.

IASL Free Virtual International Literacy Association Meeting

Free registration for the International Literacy Association's upcoming virtual meeting about "Censorship in School Libraries Across the Globe" is now open!

Please share with your regions and other networks:

"Censorship in School Libraries Across the Globe" 28 April (Thursday) 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Free registration: <https://www.literacyworldwide.org/meetings-events/ila-digital-events/free-for-everyone/censorship-in-school-libraries>

Includes panel discussion and breakout sessions; sponsored by the International Literacy Association

April 25, May 25 & June 8 COLINET 2022 Flyers

COLINET
COLLEGE LIBRARIES INFORMATION NETWORK

12th Biennial Symposium

"Resilient Libraries: Repositioning, Pivoting, Teaching and Learning"

SAVE THE DATE
OCTOBER 6-7, 2022
The Jamaica Pegasus Hotel, Kingston

SYMPOSIUM RATES

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| Early Bird Daily Special (By July 31, 2022) | \$12,000.00 |
| Full Symposium Rate | \$26,000.00 |
| Full Symposium Group Rate for COLINET Members (2 or more persons from the same institution attending two days) | \$12,000.00 for each individual per day |
| Daily Symposium Rate | \$13,000.00 |

SUBTHEMES

- Repositioning Libraries within Institutions: Charting a New Course
- Teaching and Learning – Information Literacy Cooperation and Methods
- Pivoting Services – Rebranding and Initiating New Services
- Librarians (Libraries) C.A.N.: Cope, Adjust and Navigate Challenging Times

CALL FOR PAPERS
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- Library Support of the Mental Health and Well-being of Patrons

IMPORTANT DATES & INFO

- Deadline for the submission of proposals / abstracts is May 30, 2022
- Notification of acceptance – July 30, 2022
- Proposals should be submitted by e-mail to krodney-wellington@utech.edu.jm
- Abstracts should be 250 words
- Articles to be published in a special issue of Journal of Arts, Science and Technology (JAST).

TARGET AUDIENCE

- Librarians
- Administrators
- ICT Managers
- Records Managers
- Teacher - Librarians
- Paraprofessionals

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REGISTER NOW!
#ColinetSymposium2022

April 28 DLIS New Programme

The Department of Library and Information Studies invites you to pursue graduate studies in the DLIS through our new package of first year graduate courses, using the established Specially Admitted Status matriculation entry.

Trust you are well and thank you for your interest in our proposed Postgraduate Diplomas (PG Dip) in Information Studies Programmes.

Unfortunately, the PG Dip programmes are still not finalized for offering in September 2022. However, we have a new package of first year graduate courses, using the established Specially Admitted Status matriculation entry, to welcome you to pursue graduate studies in the DLIS.

Attached please find the 2 flyers outlining the courses for the following programmes:

a. Introduction to Library Management

- b. Introduction to Media and Information Literacy
- c. Introduction to Managing Records
- d. Introduction to Managing Archives

THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES

Faculty of Humanities & Education
Department of Library & Information Studies (DLIS)

REGISTER NOW

New Offering: **Introduction to Competencies in Information Studies** (Specially Admitted Status Programme) starting September 2022/2023

SAS COST PER COURSE: \$49,596 JMD (Subject to change)

Join us in exploring the fundamentals of Information Studies and what it means to manage published information, support media and information literacy, effectively manage business records and documentary heritage materials.

Register as a Specially Admitted Student in **One (1)** of our new Introductory Streams:

Introduction to Library Management: 9 credits
 Semester 1: LIBS 6001: Foundations of Library and Information Studies (3 credits)
 Semester 2: LIBS 6106: Management of Libraries and Information Units (3 credits)
 Semester 2: LIBS 6201: Catalogue Creation and Metadata (3 credits)

Introduction to Media & Information Literacy: 9 credits
 Semester 1: CLTR 6200: Language and Culture (3 credits -Institute of Caribbean Studies, Mona)
 Semester 2: LIBS 6002: Information, Communication and Society (3 credits)
 Semester 2: LIBS 6003: Information Literacy Instruction (3 credits)

A Specially Admitted Student (SAS) is one wishing to pursue specific courses. Upon completion, credits earned can be transferred to continue studies in other graduate programmes in the DLIS, an official transcript will be generated as proof of satisfactory completion OR a Departmental Certificate of Completion will be issued. SAS will be allowed to take no more than 12 credits in an academic year and no more than a total of 24 credits. SAS are permitted to write examinations in the courses for which they have registered.

To Register: see Form: www.mona.uwi.edu/specially-admitted-students
 For more information: contact: dllisadmin@uwimona.edu.jm | 1.876.927.2944
<https://www.mona.uwi.edu/dllis/>

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Introduction to Managing Archives: 9 credits
 Semester 1: ARCM 6001: Fundamentals of Archives and Records (3 credits)
 Semester 2: ARCM 6002: Acquisition, Organization and Use of Archival Materials (3 credits)
 Semester 2: ARCM 6003: Preservation of Archival Materials in Tropical Environments (3 credits)

Introduction to Managing Records: 9 credits
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 Semester 2: ARCM 6003: Preservation of Archival Materials in Tropical Environments (3 credits)
 Semester 2: ARCM 6004: Records Management in the Digital Age (3 credits)

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May 28 & July 6 NLJ Poet Laureate of Jamaica Poetry Competition

The National Library of Jamaica invites you to apply for our 2022 Prizes for Poetry.

NLJ NATIONAL LIBRARY OF JAMAICA

The Poet Laureate of Jamaica 2022 Prizes for Poetry

Cash Prize: US\$1,000 PER CATEGORY

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| <p>THE POET LAUREATE OF JAMAICA YOUNG WRITER'S PRIZE</p> <p>Open to Poets ages 17-25. The prize specifically focuses on the use of eco-poetics or writing poetry about the environment.</p> | <p>THE EDWARD BAUGH PRIZE FOR POETRY</p> <p>Open to poets aged thirty-five (35) or under residing in the eastern end of the island (Kingston, St. Andrew, St. Thomas, and Portland).</p> | <p>MICHAEL COOKE PRIZE FOR POETRY</p> <p>Open to male poets residing in the Western end of the island (Hanover, Westmoreland, St. Elizabeth, St. James, and Trelawny).</p> | <p>THE LOUISE BENNETT COVERLEY PRIZE</p> <p>Open to a Jamaican poet of any age or station in life, residing in any of the central parishes of the island (namely, Clarendon, St. Ann, St. Mary, Manchester, and St. Catherine).</p> |
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Competition Guidelines can be found at nlj.gov.jm/poetryprize/

AN AGENCY OF THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE, GENDER, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORT

May 31 DLIS Golden Anniversary

This academic year (2021-2022), the Department of Library and Information Studies (DLIS) in the Faculty of Humanities and Education, at the University of the West Indies, Mona Campus, is proudly celebrating its Golden Anniversary. The theme for the entire period of celebration is, “The DLIS at 50: Reflecting, Reshaping – Embracing the Future.” The celebration is marked by a number of events, including a Gleaner supplement. Get a copy of the Gleaner today May 31st for the DLIS Supplement. A hearty thank you to all the institutions that contributed to the supplement. We thank you for your continued support!!

June 29 Library Tech Weekly Articles

How to Identify Tech Opportunities for your Library. Computers in Libraries, July 9, 2021.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2t97WZmdQmw>

Library Innovations for 2022. Amy Hooper, April 25, 2022.

<https://blog.techsoup.org/posts/library-innovations-for-2022>

Must-Have Library Tech. Computers in Libraries. July 9, 2021.

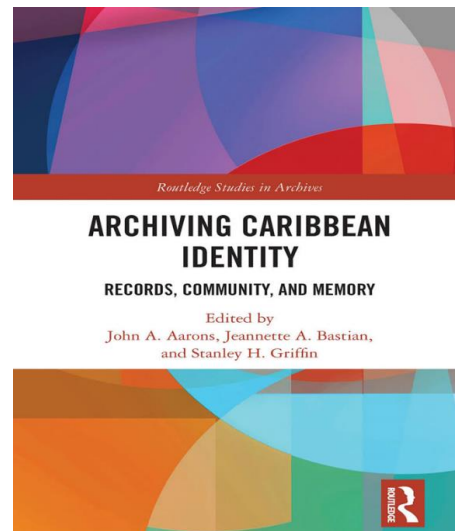
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=itoFpoExXwk>

Keep your Library Cybersecure. Amy Hooper, March 2, 2022.

<https://blog.techsoup.org/posts/keep-your-library-cybersecure>

New Publication notice

“Archiving Caribbean Identity: Records, Community and Memory”



June 29, July 14, September 19, October 14 Career Opportunity Notices

- JAMLIN Manager at the National Library of Jamaica
- Director, Documentation, Information and Access Services at the Ministry of Justice

THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE EXTERNAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT

EXTERNAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

Job Title: Chief Librarian (Regular Fund)

Organizational Unit: The Columbus Memorial Library – Secretariat for Hemispheric Affairs

Grade: P04

Employment Announcement Number: E0/28/22

Job Title: Director (Regular Fund)

Organizational Unit: Department of Human Resources

Grade: P05

Employment Announcement Number: E0/29/22

TO SEE THE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES PLEASE CLICK IN THE FOLLOWING LINK:

[External Employment Opportunities](#)

July 12 UN High-Level Sustainable Development Policy livestream event program

**AYL
AYM** Libraries and Museums
as Safe Spaces for Dialogue
and Information Literacy

13-07-2022 / Virtual 13:00 PM New York
20:00 PM Kyiv
23:00 PM London
20:00 PM Riga

#AskYourMuseum #AskYourLibrary

FIND OUT HOW LIBRARIES AND MUSEUMS CAN SUPPORT YOU IN ACHIEVING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS!

**HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM
ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

UN High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development Side Event of Latvia

LIVESTREAM

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| OPENING REMARKS | Ms. Anita Muižniece , Minister of Education and Science of Latvia Ambassador Andrejs Pildgevičs , Permanent Representative of Latvia to the UN |
| BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN LIBRARIES AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS FOR THE BENEFIT OF COMMUNITIES | Ms Kristine Pabērza-Ramīša , International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) Sponsor: Ms Tatjana Hranovsk , Jocelyn Library Association |
| MUSEUMS AS SAFE SPACES FOR INQUIRY, DISCOVERY AND DIALOGUE | Mr Henry McOlin , Museum Council, Curating Tomorrow, International Council of Museums (ICOM) Sustainability Working Group Sponsor: Ms Lolita Tomsons , Zāris Māksla, Vernisāž (Latvia) |
| INFORMATION AND MEDIA LITERACY – ENABLER OF RESPECTFUL DIALOGUE | Ms Maha Bashir , United Arab Emirates University Sponsor: Mr Edgardo Cvallero , Charles Darwin Foundation, Fouquieria Galapagos (Ecuador) |
| HOW STRONG IS THE POTENTIAL OF MUSEUMS AND LIBRARIES TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF AGENDA 2030 AND THE SDGS? | Discussion |

Moderated by Mr Uldis Zariņš, Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Latvia



July 14 LIAJA Happy Anniversary notice

We are 73, let's look back at our progress and plan for our future.

Happy 73rd Anniversary LIAJA.

July 22 Death notice for June Vernon

Yesterday (July 18th), we were shocked and saddened to learn of the passing of Miss June Vernon who had suffered a massive stroke over the weekend and did not recover. June was a committed and dedicated librarian, who spent her entire career in the library field, working chiefly at the Jamaica Library Service, the Jamaica Information Service and the National Library of Jamaica. She was an active member of the Jamaica Library Association (as LIAJA was then called), serving in many positions on the Executive Committee including that of Secretary in 1990 and 1996, and President in 1991. She was more recently an active member of the Retired Members Group.

She joined the staff of the National Library of Jamaica shortly after its establishment in 1979 and worked there until she took early retirement in the late 1990's. She was Head of the Technical Services Department and later Deputy Director, Technical Services. Her forte was cataloguing in which she excelled – and loved – and she was also the editor of the Jamaica National Bibliography. She made an outstanding contribution to the development of the National Library especially in its formative years.

When she retired from the Library, she worked part time as a cataloguer in one or two special libraries. After a time, she stopped working and concentrated on her role as the chief caregiver to her beloved mother, Mrs Eulalee Vernon, who died in May 2018, a few days short of her 106th birthday.

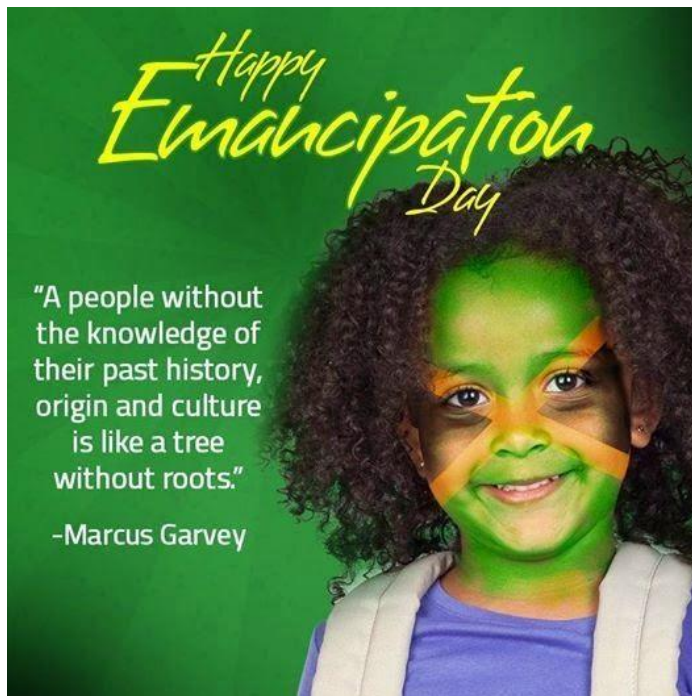
June had a strong personality and as the saying goes, 'did not suffer fools gladly'. She was frank and spoke her mind, and you knew where you stood with her. At the same time, she was kind and generous. She demanded a high standard of work from the persons she supervised, and those who listened to her learned a great deal. There are several persons today, including many librarians, who speak highly of the influence she had on their lives. On a personal level, June was a friend as well as a colleague and we maintained contact over the years. I last spoke to her just over two weeks ago, on July 1, to tell her that Elsie and I were leaving the island that afternoon for a holiday, and that if she tried to call me at home on my birthday in early August, she would not reach me. (She did not concern herself with Facebook or What'sApp). She wished me birthday greetings in advance and said that

the chocolate birthday cake, which she had long promised, would soon become a reality!
Alas, this was not to be.

She will be missed, but we give thanks for her life and work and offer our condolences to Leisa, her daughter, a librarian herself, who works at the Norman Manley Law School, to her sister Jacqueline Bertram, her brother Herman, nieces, nephews and other family members.

May her Soul Rest in Peace.

Aug 1 Emancipation message



August 3 Funeral service notice for June Vernon

Lisa Vernon has asked me to let you know that the funeral service for her mother will be held on Tuesday August 16, 2022, at 11 am at the St Andrew Parish Church, Halfway Tree, Kingston

Lisa acknowledges with gratitude the many tributes and messages of sympathy from members of the library community on her mother's passing.

June was a committed member of our Association to the end for she had looked forward to attending the meeting on July 15, and Lisa said she was prepared to take her, but at the last moment her mother was not up to it. She died two days later.

I look forward to seeing those of us who can attend the Service on August 16.

August 6 Independence Message



Wishing all the Library and Information Professionals across Jamaica a Happy Independence Day 2022.

60 years of growth development and learning has given us, this nation that punches above its weight.

As we embrace this year's theme "Igniting a nation to greatness" we acknowledge the part that we are called to play through the acquisition, dissemination and preservation of information for the people of Jamaica. In this we embody the ethos of our first national hero Marcus Mosiah Garvey who said "we are going to emancipate ourselves from mental slavery because while others might free the body, none but ourselves can free our minds."

From the President

Aug 12 Library week notice

For this year, Library Week will be October 30th to November 4th.

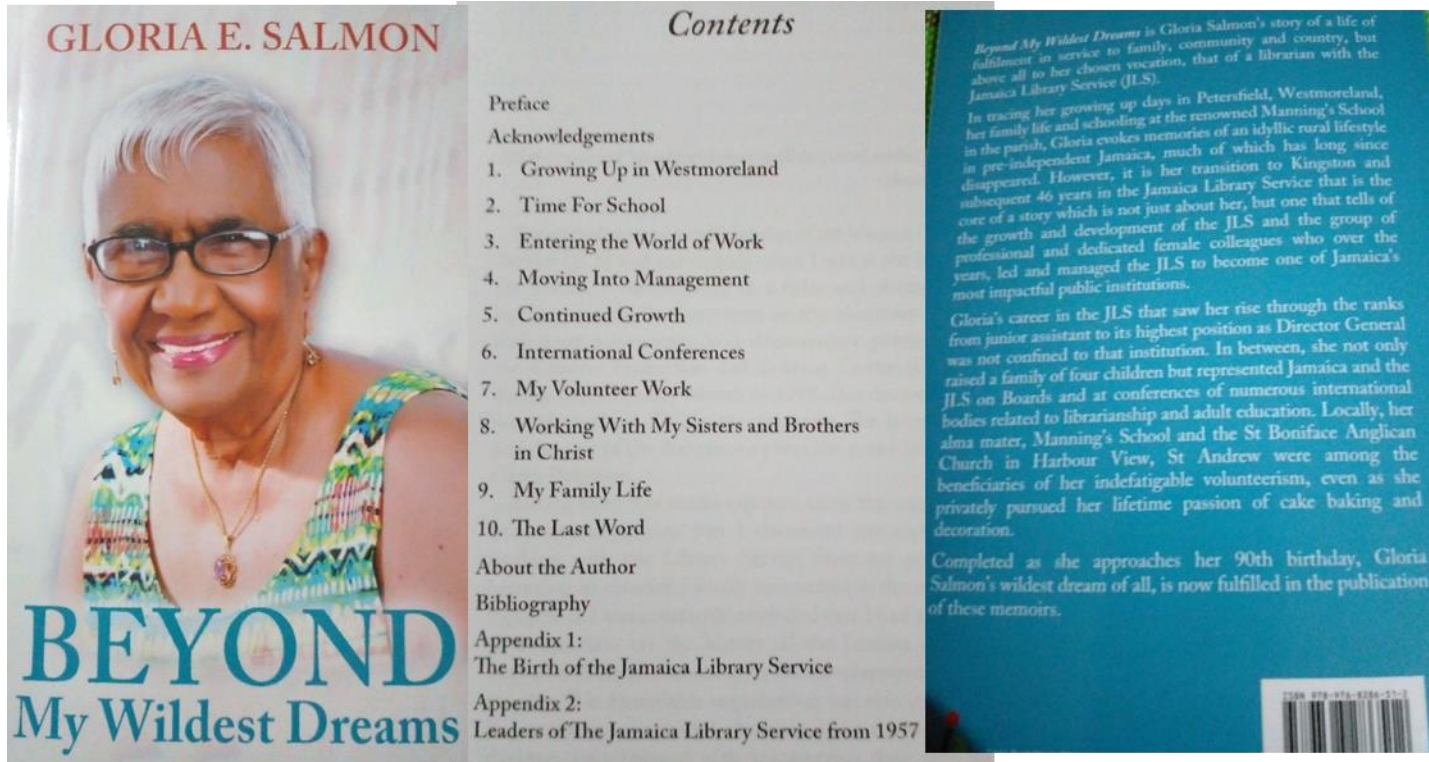
Let's start planning how we will be celebrating the period.

You may submit your planned activities to be included in the LIAJA Calendar of Events for the week.

This year LIAJA is encouraging institutions to celebrate their long-standing library professionals.

Looking forward to the great activities to be delivered for the week.

Aug 18: Publication notice for “Beyond my wildest dreams” by Gloria Salmon



Service of thanksgiving notice for June Vernon



**Aug 25 and every two days interval up to September 8
Southeastern TVET Institute International Literacy Day**

October 5 & 10 DLIS Info Talks

Oct 18 & 20 MONA LIBRARY | Library Open Week 2022 & Celebration of Books
 "Libraries Adapting to the Future: A Call for Action" flyer and schedule.

MONA LIBRARY
Access - Anytime - Anywhere

LIBRARY & INFORMATION STUDIES
INAUGURAL VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

THEME: "THAT WAS THEN, THIS IS NOW: LIBRARIES ADAPTING FOR THE FUTURE"

October 25, 2022
8:30 AM - 3:30 PM Online

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Professor Clara M. Chu
Director, Mortenson Distinguished Professor,
Mortenson Center for International Library
Programs, University of Illinois at Urbana
Champaign

The programme will feature local and international presenters, including paraprofessionals, sharing research on a number of Library trends and issues.

REGISTER IN ADVANCE FOR THIS MEETING HERE

Week Of Activities: <https://libguides.uwi.edu/libraryopenweek/cob2022/Home>

PRESENTED AS PART OF LIBRARY OPEN WEEK & CELEBRATION OF BOOKS 2022

MONA LIBRARY
Access - Anytime - Anywhere

MONA LIBRARY OPEN WEEK 2022 & CELEBRATION OF BOOKS
Libraries Adapting to the Future: A Call to Action

WEEK OF ACTIVITIES
OCTOBER 24-27, 2022

October 24 **EVENT LAUNCH**
Theme: Libraries Adapting to the Future: A Call to Action
Start Time - 3:00 PM

October 25 **VIRTUAL LIS CONFERENCE**
Theme: "That was then, This is now: Libraries adapting for the Future"
Start Time - 8:30 AM

October 26 **RESETTING THE TISC/IP HELPDESK:**
A Call to Action
Start Time - 9:00 AM

October 27 **E-RESOURCES FAIR:**
Advancing 24/7 Access to The UWI Mona Library
Start Time - 9:00 AM

October 27 **CUSTOMER APPRECIATION DAY**
Start Time - 3:00 PM

October 20-21 **EVENT LINK** <https://libguides.uwi.edu/libraryopenweek/cob2022/Home>

PRESENTED AS PART OF LIBRARY OPEN WEEK & CELEBRATION OF BOOKS 2022

Oct 21 Library and Information Week flyer and Instagram Banner

LIAJA
Library and Information Association of Jamaica

LIBRARY & INFORMATION WEEK
OCTOBER 30 - NOVEMBER 4, 2022

THEME: "GLAMRs: Reigniting a Nation for Greatness"

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2022
CHURCH SERVICES - KINGSTON AND MONTEGO BAY
KINGSTON - NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH OF GOD, 38 ESCARPMENT ROAD
MONTEGO BAY - CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2022
SCHOOL AND ACADEMIC LIBRARIES DAY

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2022
PUBLIC AND NATIONAL LIBRARIES DAY

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2022
SPECIAL LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES AND RECORDS DEPARTMENT DAY

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2022
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Oct 31 Library and Information Week 2022 activities

Flyers for Library and Information Week 2022 activities for G.C. Foster College of Physical Education & Sport and Sam Sharpe Teachers' College

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"GLAM/R: Reignited for Greatness"
October 30, 2022 – November 4, 2022

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|  <p>Principal Mr. Maurice Wilson, OD Library Message October 31, 2022</p> | <p>The Art of Conversation Guest Speaker November 2, 2022</p>  <p>Mrs. Nicole Aiken Pinnock</p> |
| <p>The Art of Viewing Video presentation on how to use:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - KOHA Database - EbscoHost Database - ProQuest E-Book Central Database | <p>Display Viewing Topic: Reignited for Greatness: How technology improves our Library Services/ Past Student feature Location: Library Foyer/ Virtual Display</p> |
| <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Trivia Questions - Cite it and Win - Did you know? - Surprises | |

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LIBRARY AND INFORMATION WEEK 2022
OCTOBER 30 TO NOVEMBER 4, 2022

THEME: GALLERIES, LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES, MUSEUMS, RECORD CENTRES-RE-IGNITED FOR GREATNESS

ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY OCTOBER 30

-CHURCH SERVICE, CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH,
5 CORINALDI AVE. MONTEGO BAY -10:00 A.M.

MONDAY OCTOBER 31

- TALK BY JAMAICA LIBRARY SERVICE REGIONAL DIRECTOR- REGION 2 AT DEVOTION
-LAUNCH OF LIBRARY QUIZ

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 3,

-PANEL DISCUSSION- "WHAT TO DO IN THE EVENT OF A MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT"- 3 P.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM- DR. CECILE WALDEN BUILDING

-ANNOUNCEMENT OF QUIZ WINNERS

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 4

-LIBRARY OPEN DAY
-PRIZE-GIVING FOR LIBRARY QUIZ WINNERS- 12

Nov 8 DLIS Info Talks flyer

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Nov 14, 15 Regular Meeting notice and registration link

Nov 22 Death notices for

Eunice Valentine-McKenzie - Retired School Librarian

Karlene Robinson - Retired Librarian, UWI Mona

Blossom Millings- Retired Librarian

Correen Fagan- Librarian Assitant, Calvin McKain



Nov 29 Tribute for Mrs. McKenzie

Mrs. Eunice Valentine-McKenzie was a very dedicated Librarian at Annotto Bay High School, she joined LIAJA in 2006 and was a very active member of the Schools Section.

Her work as a librarian positively impressed the Principal of the school in such a way that she was always given time and monetary assistance to attend

conferences such as the International Association of School Librarianship (IASL), and ACURIL. LIAJA was also impressed with her work and therefore selected her to be one of those who went to Australia to promote the IASL 2011 conference that was held in Jamaica. She became the first school librarian that attended regional and international conferences regularly, the last one she attended was in Brisbane, Australia.

Eunice always seeks to improve her knowledge and competencies and would have seminars at her school to impart what she had learned. Her school library was always well kept. It was used sometimes for School Section Meetings.

Her support for LIAJA can be considered as excellent. She was always taking part in fundraising activities for the school section. She resigned from her position at Annotto Bay High School to take up the position of Principal at Scotts Hall Primary School, a job she enjoyed very much and held until she retired.

The funeral service for Mrs. McKenzie will be held on Saturday, December 3, starting at 10 am. It will be at the Anglican Church in Annotto Bay. Internment in the churchyard.

Nov 29 & Dec 11 Tribute to Mrs. Robinson

Mrs. Karlene Robinson was a Librarian at The UWI Mona Library. Mrs. Robinson joined the staff of The University of the West Indies Mona Library in 2001 and was assigned as a Librarian to the Medical Branch Library. She was no stranger to Academic Librarianship as she had previously worked in the Department of Library & Information Studies and at the School of Education Documentation Centre. She assumed the headship of the Science and Engineering Branch Library in 2013 and thereafter managed the Main Library Loan and Reference Section.

Mrs. Robinson led the public services team, managed client services, both virtual and face-to-face, designed and delivered

Information Literacy modules to support the undergraduate foundation courses, and provided training to staff to build capacity, based on the needs of the library. As a former educator, she was strategic in her approach to tasks, zooming in on a person's capabilities and talents so that she could help to maximize these to their full potential.

Her industriousness and productivity in different areas contributed to her promotion to Senior Librarian in 2016.

She retired after 19 years of service to the institution.

Tribute for Ms. Mullings

Blossom Mullings was active in the Jamaica Library Association JLA, (LIAJA, as it was then known) and she served as President in 1990. She worked in several parishes of the Jamaica Library Service and then became Librarian at the Ministry of Mining and Natural Resources, (Ministry of Transport and Mining, as it was then known) before leaving to become a library consultant.





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The Impact of COVID-19 on the Caribbean Library & Information Industry



LIAJA provides leadership in the development, promotion and mobilization of personnel, institutions and resources in the information field in order to encourage learning and facilitate access to information.

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Research and Publications

Submitted by: Dr. Sasekea Harris, Chair, Research and Publications Working Party

The party's single goal was the publication of the LIAJA Journal Number 3 (2022). The LIAJA Journal was published December 2022 under the theme: The Impact of COVID-19 on the Caribbean Library & Information Industry. The issue contains eight papers (empirical and non-empirical) covering the impact of COVID-19 on special, national, public, academic and school libraries in the Caribbean (Barbados, Belize, Grenada, Jamaica, Trinidad and Tobago et al)

E-copy of LIAJA Journal Number 3 (2022) is available at:

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LIAJA Journal Number 3 (2022) content has been sent to EBSCOHost for upload to Library & Information Science Source database.

Reports of Sub-Committees

Advocacy

Submitted by: Adele Merritt Bernard, Advocacy Sub-Committee

The Advocacy Sub-Committee hoped to capitalize on the previous year's foundation for building a sustainable advocacy platform for LIAJA, as well as offering training to empower members to advocate for themselves in their respective work environments.

To this end, negotiations were undertaken with Blazing Beyond to conduct two (2) five-hour, workshop-based training exercises for LIAJA members as part of Library Week celebrations in November. The sessions were aimed at improving Personal Leadership and Accountability skills to drive overall organizational performance and would have consisted of one face-to face session and one virtual session to facilitate participation from members across the island. Feedback however indicated that the price point of JA\$10,000.00 was prohibitive resulting in the cancellation of the proposed workshops, as the Association was not in a financial position to subsidize the event. Two other workshops "Innovation begins with I" and a session focussed on Strategic Planning met a similar fate, as all facilitators quoted a similar price point for sessions.

From September 26th – 28th, 2022 the Chair attended an online Library Advocacy and Funding Conference. The Conference was divided into nine main tracks, namely book banning, fundraising, library management and leadership, media messaging and communication, understanding library fundraising, advocacy, understanding and using big data, marketing your library and library campaigns and elections. Although skewed to the North American environment, there were useful insights which could be adapted for use in Jamaica.

The Sub-Committee did not participate in any international advocacy activities, as we were unable to continue our relationship with the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA) in coordination with Mr. Stephen Wyber, Manager, Policy and Advocacy due to a lapse in our membership. We were therefore not kept abreast of, or consulted on, local, regional or international advocacy activities.

For the year under review, the Sub-Committee was again essentially operating as a party of one and it was therefore difficult to adequately address all areas of our mandate as desired. I am nevertheless thankful to Ms. Sandra Stubbs of The University of the West

Indies, Western Jamaica Campus, who did offer support when possible. I end by encouraging all members to become more active in the Association, our Association, as “Unity is strength...when there is teamwork and collaboration wonderful things can be achieved” Mattie J. T. Stepanek (July 17, 1990 – June 22, 2004).

Awards

Unfortunately the person elected for this post was unable to fulfil the functions of the office and the Association's executive was unable to fill the post during the year.

Building and Property Development

The sub-committee has not met since July 2021, thus no report was submitted.

Functions

We wish to thank the members of the Association who committedly participated in the events during the 2022-2023 administrative year. We are optimistic that 2023-2024, the Subcommittee will be better able to execute the other plans of the Association by adapting to change of events planning and management.

Reports from Institutions

DLIS/Library Training Institutions

Submitted by: Mark-Jeffery Deans, Chair, DLIS/LTI

The Department of Library and Information Studies (DLIS), at 50.

The academic year 2021-2022 saw the Department of Library and Information Studies celebrating its 50th Anniversary, as a Library and Information Studies Training Institution.

DLIS/Library Training Institutions



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES
MONA CAMPUS, JAMAICA, WEST INDIES



Head of Department's Message for The Department of Library & Information Studies (DLIS) 50th Anniversary Gleaner Supplement Published Tuesday, May 31, 2022.



Dr. Rosemarie Heath

This academic year (2021-2022), the Department of Library and Information Studies (DLIS) in the Faculty of Humanities and Education, at the University of the West Indies, Mona Campus, is proudly celebrating its Golden Anniversary. As we seek to move forward, we pause to pull lessons from our past, while we reinvent ourselves to remain relevant. The theme for the entire period of celebration is, therefore: "The DLIS at 50: Reflecting, Reshaping – Embracing the Future." The celebration is marked by a number of events, namely:

- A church service held on November 14, 2021.
- A DLIS 50th Anniversary Reader (20 chapters).
- A DLIS 50th Anniversary special issue of the Caribbean Library Journal.
- Two DLIS 50th Anniversary Scholarships (1 undergraduate and 1 postgraduate).
- The DLIS 50th Anniversary Symposium, held under the theme: DLIS@50: Celebrating Education, Innovation, and Collaboration in an Ever-changing World.
- This Gleaner Supplement.

In this Information Age, where information, is the heartbeat/pivotal point of human existence, the job of the library and information professional is critical to the economical, educational, socio-cultural and political survival of the 21st Century citizen. Information professionals must keep pace with the ever changing needs of information users. The ever increasing dependence on technological forms of information has heightened the demand by users for more variety in, and access to information. The library and information professional is called upon to adapt to change in the interest of institution, community and national development. The DLIS recognises its critical role in providing the necessary opportunities for training and Continuing Professional Development (CPD) in this ever-changing world. Today, the DLIS stands strong and proud as the premier training institution for library and information professionals in the English-speaking Caribbean. As we celebrate education, innovation, and collaboration in this ever-changing world, the members of the DLIS are grateful for the vision and wisdom which guided thought and action in the establishment of our department 50 years ago.

Rosemarie A. Heath, PhD, JP
Head Department of Library and
Information Studies (DLIS).



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**Campus Librarian's Message for The Department of Library & Information Studies
(DLIS) 50th Anniversary *Gleaner* Supplement for Tuesday, May 31, 2022.
"Celebrating Education, Innovation, and Collaboration in an Ever-changing World."**



The UWI Mona Library is pleased to bring congratulations to The Department of Library & Information Studies (DLIS) on the occasion of its 50th Anniversary under the theme "Celebrating Education, Innovation, and Collaboration in an Ever-changing World."

As the premier institution for the education and training of Library and Information Professionals in the English-speaking Caribbean, we are proud of the accomplishments and the trajectory of the DLIS. The DLIS continues to develop courses and programmes to meet the changing library and information landscape. Organizations throughout the Caribbean region and the wider global society rely on the Department for competent graduates for the workforce and to fill managerial roles. The DLIS remains undaunted in its commitment and efforts to provide a diverse range

of programmes and courses to educate library and information professionals and offer Continuing Professional Development (CPD) for Information Professionals. Over the last 10 years, they have made strides in successfully repositioning its offerings. We salute current and former Heads and other staff who have made excellent contributions that have brought the Department to this milestone celebration. Commendations to Dr. Rosemarie Heath and her Team who continue the tradition of excellence and spearhead the 50th Anniversary celebrations.

The UWI Mona Library is proud of the collaborations between the DLIS and the Library. The Mona Library boasts outstanding graduates from the DLIS and supports the Department with specialized adjunct staff and researchers and provides a training site for its undergraduate and graduate students at the Internship level.

Paulette Kerr, PhD.
Campus Librarian
The University of the West Indies

Paulette A Kerr, PhD
Campus Librarian
The University of the West
Indies.
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DLIS 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



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they define, as well as from a host of expert minds who are not constrained by pre-established standards that defined libraries as spaces for cataloguing and lending books.

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EBSCO is committed to continuing its partnership with the library community to collaborate in 'Reflecting, Reshaping – Embracing the Future'.

DONNA DALEY
Regional Sales Manager,
English-speaking Caribbean
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GO | School for Information congratulates the Department of Library and Information Studies (DLIS) at The University of the West Indies, Mona campus, as it celebrates its golden anniversary under the theme, 'The DLIS at 50: Reflecting, Reshaping – Embracing the Future'.

As a 70-year-old Dutch-based educational institute which specialises in skill-enhancement courses and professional development programmes, GO | School for Information is proud to partner with DLIS – the premier training institution for library and information professionals in the English-speaking Caribbean – in offering programmes beneficial to professionals working in libraries, archives, record management and knowledge management. Educational programmes with a strong focus on implementing the theory in the participants' daily workflow. This DLIS-GO partnership



was initiated in 2019, when both institutions hosted a successful summer institute under the theme, 'Transforming Galleries, Libraries, Archives and Museums (GLAMS) in the 21st Century: A Workshop

on Developing Innovative Skills, Techniques and Tools'.

In 2022, as DLIS celebrates its 50th anniversary milestone, GO is focused on sustaining this partnership through the conceptualisation of jointly offered DLIS-GO innovative courses and programmes and the sharing of resources (teachers, techniques, and technologies). This ongoing partnership is symbolic of GO | School for Information's commitment, as a specialist educator in the field of information services, to the Caribbean region, and its continued support for information specialists, archivists, records managers, content managers and data curators, in their role as 21st-century information heroes!

ERIC KOKKE
Marketing Manager
GO | School for
Information, Netherlands

THE BROADCASTING Commission congratulates the Department of Library and Information Studies at The UWI, Mona on its 50th anniversary. The overarching theme of its anniversary celebrations, 'The DLIS at 50: Reflecting, Reshaping – Embracing the Future', is both timely and relevant.

Our society is undergoing profound transformation. The integration of technologies, such as 5G networks, smart devices, cloud services, artificial intelligence (AI), and virtual and augmented reality is disrupting the ways in which content is created,

A timely and relevant theme

distributed, received and experienced. Social media has become the world's largest source of news, information and entertainment. Citizens who do not have the benefit of digital, media and information literacy are at great risk, both in terms of the effects of harmful content and losing out on the many opportunities which abound in the digital ecosystem.

This suggests a need for a new digital, media and information literacy framework, designed to include

updated competencies and working knowledge of AI, the management and use of big data, the internet of things, augmented reality, virtual reality, and the cloud.

With this in mind, the Broadcasting Commission is currently working with the Mona School of Business and Management, Slashroots Foundation and UNE-SO to establish a Digital, Media and Information Literacy Skills Framework for Jamaica. The outputs will include tools for assessing and

eventually certifying digital literacy, and recommendations for the creation of a national digital literacy policy which will include setting and monitoring targets in relation to education, training, employment, digital safety and media literacy.

DON DOBSON
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Thanks again to you DLIS!"

DLIS Student
Jillian Tinglin

"I would like to extend thanks to the Department of Library and Information Studies at the University of the West Indies for providing this scholarship to students of the department. I am delighted to have been selected as the DLIS 50th anniversary awardee."

Being a part of the DLIS, the lecturers and staff have made my experience smooth sailing thus far by always being receptive to my queries and encouraging me in both my professional and academic development. I am grateful that I was selected for this scholarship which will contribute to my academic development."

DLIS Student
Danielle Phillips

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Mr. Don Dobson,
Senior Director,
Monitoring, Compliance & Investigations,
Broadcasting Commission of Jamaica.

Ms. Jillian Tinglin and Ms. Danielle Phillips
DLIS Students
Scholarship Awardees.



The Jamaica Library Service congratulates the Department of Library and Information Studies, University of the West Indies, Mona on their Golden Anniversary.

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DLIS has positively impacted lives for 50 years

IT IS a great pleasure to salute the Department of Library and Information Studies (DLIS) on reaching the significant milestone of 50 years of educational service to Jamaica and the wider Caribbean region. The DLIS has been responsible for training most of our librarians, and these information professionals continue to play a significant role in meeting the information needs of users, supporting the teaching and learning process, and, ultimately, contributing to national development.

As a proud graduate of the DLIS, I can personally testify to the fact that the department has impacted lives positively; training, shaping and moulding leaders in virtually all types of library and information units



in the Caribbean. It is noted that the theme for this golden jubilee celebration is: 'The DLIS at 50: Reflecting, Reshaping – Embracing the Future'. This theme is very appropriate because of the significantly changed and ever-changing environment that institutions have to operate in today.

The COVID-19 pandemic has made it very clear that this is an ever-changing world, and what we used to take for granted as being normal is no longer so. This calls for adjustments, pivoting, shifting, changing course – call it what you will. The DLIS has demonstrated over the years that it is willing to change and adjust, so it will remain relevant well into the future.

Congratulations once again to the DLIS and its team of dedicated professionals who have positively impacted the lives of library and information studies students for over 50 years.

DAVID A. DRYSDALE
University Librarian/
COLINET Coordinator
University of Technology,
Jamaica

Vanguard in the protection of information security

THE LIBRARY and Information Association of Jamaica (LIAJA) takes the opportunity to extend heartfelt congratulations to the leadership, staff, and alumni of the Department of Library and Information Studies (DLIS) on its 50th year of providing professional training to library and information professionals in Jamaica and the Caribbean.

The DLIS, an august institution indeed, is famed for producing and preparing visionary leaders to carry the charge for information organisation and dissemination within the Caribbean. This is a significant feat for a department of any university. LIAJA can, therefore, with humble pride, acknowledge your contribution to our organisation, as the current executive members are all past students of the DLIS. I note the theme of this



golden celebration, 'The DLIS at 50: Reflecting, Reshaping – Embracing the Future', which speaks to contemplation of the past, improvement in the present, and preparation for the epochs to come, all geared at obtaining optimum impact in guaranteeing a solid future for library and information professionals.

In a world which is grappling with concepts such as 'fake news', the need is critical for the preservation of authentic services for the delivery of information. This is where

the work of the DLIS has been proven to be essential to the preservation, presentation, and flow of reliable information within the Caribbean. The DLIS must, therefore, continue to be a vanguard in the protection of the integrity of information security within the Caribbean, through education and training of library and information professionals who are critical to ensuring that stakeholders are protected from predatory information sources.

LIAJA congratulates the DLIS and its team on 50 years of hard work and dedicated service to the library and information profession in Jamaica and the Caribbean

KERRY-ANN RODNEY-WELLINGTON (MRS)
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Gleaner excerpt in celebration of the DLIS 50th Anniversary
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| 16 JUNE | INTRODUCTION KNOWLEDGE GRAPHS (2 SESSIONS) |
| 22 JUNE | ADVANCED INTERNET SEARCH (2 SESSIONS) |
| 23 JUNE | LIFE HACKS FOR INFORMATION SPECIALISTS (1 SESSION) |
| 27 JUNE | DESIGN THINKING FOR GLAM-PROFESSIONALS (2 SESSIONS) |
| 30 JUNE | INTRODUCTION DATA MANAGEMENT FOR GLAM (2 SESSIONS) |
| 30 JUNE | MARKETING OF INFORMATION SERVICES (2 SESSIONS) |
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THIS ACADEMIC year (2021-2022), the Department of Library and Information Studies (DLIS) in the Faculty of Humanities and Education, at The University of the West Indies, Mona campus, is proudly celebrating its golden anniversary. As we seek to move forward, we pause to pull lessons from our past, while we reinvent ourselves to remain relevant. The theme for the entire period of celebration is, therefore, 'The DLIS at 50: Reflecting, Reshaping – Embracing the Future'. The celebration is marked by a number of events, namely:

- A church service, held on November 14, 2021
- A DLIS 50th Anniversary Reader (20 chapters).
- A DLIS 50th Anniversary special issue of the Caribbean Library Journal.
- Two DLIS 50th Anniversary Scholarships (one undergraduate and one postgraduate).
- The DLIS 50th Anniversary

Symposium, held under the theme: DLIS@50: Celebrating Education, Innovation, and Collaboration in an Ever-changing World.

This Gleaner supplement, In this Information Age, where information is the heartbeat/pivotal point of human existence, the job of the library and information professional is critical to the economical, educational, sociocultural and political survival of the 21st century citizen. Information professionals must keep pace with the ever-changing needs of information users. The ever-increasing dependence on technological forms of information has heightened the demand by users for more variety in, and access to information. The library and information professional is called upon to adapt to change in the interest of institution, community and national development. The DLIS recognises its critical role in providing the necessary



opportunities for training and continuing professional development in this ever-changing world. Today, the DLIS stands strong and proud as the premier training institution for library and information professionals in the English-speaking Caribbean. As we celebrate education, innovation, and collaboration in this ever-changing world, the members of the DLIS are grateful for the vision and wisdom which guided thought and action in the establishment of our department 50 years ago.

DR ROSEMARIE HEATH
Head of Department

Head of the Department of Library and Information Studies (DLIS)

DR ROSEMARIE Heath is head of the Department of Library and Information Studies (DLIS). Her qualifications include a PhD in Education; a Master's degree in Library Studies, a Baccalaureate in Language, Literature and Social Sciences and a Diploma in Teaching. She

has to her credit several peer-reviewed journal publications/book chapters which focus on media and information literacy, education, school librarianship, public librarianship, academic librarianship, children's literature and library management. As a member of the Library

and Information Association of Jamaica (LIAJA), she has served as chair of the LIAJA Awards Subcommittee; second vice-president 2015-2016; and first vice president, 2016-2017. Dr. Heath is a justice of the peace for the parish of St Andrew.

Brief history of Department of Library and Information Studies, UWI, Mona

THE DEPARTMENT of Library and Information Studies (DLIS) at The University of the West Indies, Mona campus, Jamaica, has the prime responsibility for training library and information professionals to meet the manpower and leadership needs in library and information services of the English-speaking Caribbean region and wider global society. It was established as the regional library school in 1971 and first offered a bachelor of arts degree. Two years later in 1973, a Diploma in Library Studies was introduced to cater for students who already had a first degree in another subject besides library and information studies. This was subsequently replaced in 1989 by the Master of Library and Information

Studies (MLIS), while the Master of Arts LIS began in 1998 and is aimed at graduates with the BA in Library and Information Studies. In 1998, the department also introduced a Bachelor of Education (School Librarianship) which is offered jointly with the School of Education. Subsequent changes include the reintroduction of the MPHil/PhD programme in 2013. In the 2014-15 academic year, the department introduced a blended mode of delivery in the postgraduate (MLIS & MALIS) programmes. In order to achieve its mission, the department has developed a curriculum reflective of what is internationally recognised as the essential/core areas of library and information

education and, at the same time, it gives due recognition to the Caribbean. To ensure its continued relevance to the needs of the profession, the department regularly evaluates its curriculum, taking note of global trends and issues, and seeks to constantly incorporate these developments in the programmes. While every effort is made for students to understand trends and developments within an international context, in all course offerings, the department pays special attention to the social and developmental needs and interests of the people of the Caribbean, thereby grounding the programme firmly within a Caribbean context.

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Dr. Rosemarie A. Heath, Gave a brief history of the Department of Library and Information Studies.

Professor Jeannette A. Bastian at the DLIS 50th Anniversary Symposium

PROFESSOR JEANNETTE A. Bastian gave the keynote address at the Ken Ingram Lecture at the DLIS 50th Anniversary Symposium – *Oral Traditions, Archival Records and Cultural Knowledge*. She is a professor emerita at the School of Library and Information Science, Simmons College, Boston, Massachusetts.

where she directed their nationally ranked archives management programme from 1999-2019. A former territorial librarian of the United States Virgin Islands from 1987 to 1998, Prof Bastian holds an MPhil from The University of the West Indies (UWI) in Caribbean literature and a PhD from the University of Pittsburgh. Her

research focuses on archives and records theory as it relates to issues of collective memory, decolonisation, and community archives. She is currently an honorary fellow in the UWI's Department of Library and Information Studies. Her books include *West Indian Literature, A Critical Index, 1930-1975* (Allis, 1982);

Owning Memory, How a Caribbean Community Lost Its Archives and Found Its History (2003); *Community Archives, The Shaping of Memory*, ed (2009); *Archivists in Libraries: What Librarians and Archivists Need to Know to Work Together* (2015); *Decolonizing the Caribbean Record, An Archives*

Reader, ed, with John Aarons and Stanley Griffin (2018); and *Community Archives, Community Spaces*, ed, with Andrew Finn (2019). Her most recent book, *Archiving Caribbean Identity, Records, Community, Memory*, edited with John Aarons and Stanley Griffin, will be published in June 2022.



David A. Drysdale at the DLIS 50th Anniversary Symposium

DAVID DRYSDALE was the keynote speaker at the opening session of the DLIS 50th Anniversary Symposium – *Positively Impacting Caribbean Society for Over 50 Years: The DLIS Role in Educating Library and Information Professionals for National Development*.

Drysdale is university librarian at the University of Technology, Jamaica. He is also the coordinator of the College Libraries Information Network (COLINET), a network of over 30 academic libraries islandwide. He holds a Master of Arts degree in Library and Information Studies and a Bachelor of Arts in Library Studies from The University of the West Indies.

Drysdale has extensive experience in the library and information field in various roles. He started his career in the Jamaica Library Service (JLS) as a library assistant and progressed through the ranks to serve as acting senior director at headquarters. He has also worked as a lecturer in the Department of Library and Information Studies (DLIS) at The University of the West Indies, Mona. He has the



distinction of being appointed in several professional leadership roles, namely:

- He is president-elect for the Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Librarians. He will formally be installed as president in June 2022 at the conference in Curaçao.
- President of the Association of Librarians in Jamaica Library Service (1996-1999).
- President of the Library and Information Association of Jamaica – 2007-2008.

He currently serves as a director of the board of the Jamaica Library Service, and as a member of the Development Committee and the Information Technology Committee of the JLS board.

• Coordinator for all the biennial COLINET symposiums from 2009 to present.

• Member of conference committees for both local and international library conferences. In 2008, he was the chair of the Protocol and Hospitality Committee for the Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Librarians Conference, held in Montego Bay.

• He served on the OCLC Global Council as a delegate from the Americas Regional Council, completing his term in 2018, and he is also a member of the Proquest Advisory Board for Latin America and the Caribbean.

• He currently serves as a director of the board of the Jamaica Library Service, and as a member of the Development Committee and the Information Technology Committee of the JLS board. In 2016-17, he was

selected as Boss of the Year for the Kingston chapter of the Jamaica Association of Administrative Professionals

and runner-up All Island Boss of the Year.

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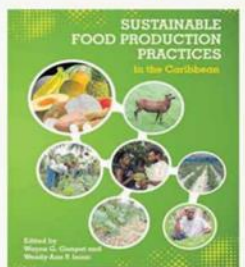
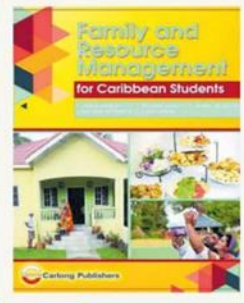
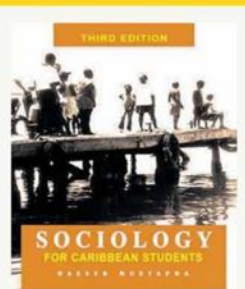
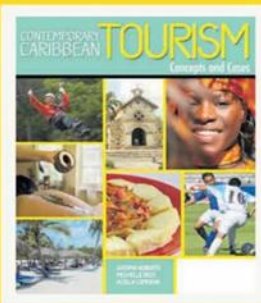
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The Department of Library and Information Studies (DLIS), Seminar Series

The Department of Library and Information Studies had several seminar series, under the theme “Info Talks” The series were an integral part of the Department’s drive to create an active and robust environment for research and research output. The sessions were coordinated by Stanley H. Griffin, PhD, Deputy Dean, Undergraduate Matters (Humanities), Senior Lecturer, Archival & Information Studies, Department of Library and Information Studies.

The following table summarizes the four seminar series events shown in the image:

| Date | Topic | Featured Speaker | Time (Jamaican time) |
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| Wednesday, October 19, 2022 | "Information & Nationhood" | Sparkle N. Ferreira, MPhil, Part-time Lecturer, DLIS | 1pm - 2:30pm |
| Wednesday, October 26, 2022 | "Information & Nationhood" | Stanley H. Griffin, PhD, Senior Lecturer, DLIS | 1pm - 2:30pm |
| Wednesday, November 2, 2022 | "Information & the Law" | Mr. Damian Cox, Principal Director (acting) Information Division, & Senior Director, Access to Information Unit, Office of the Prime Minister | 1pm - 2:30pm |
| Wednesday, November 9, 2022 | "Information & the Law" | Dr Patrick Anglin, University Data Protection Officer, The UWI Regional Headquarters | 1pm - 2:30pm |

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Partner, Goffe Law
Attorneys-at-Law

Wednesday
October, 12
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"Information & Nationhood"

Featuring

Commemorating
Nationhood: An
Opportunity Lost &
Found

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Government Archivist,
National Archives of
Trinidad & Tobago

starting
Wednesday
October 5,
2022

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"Information & Nationhood"

Featuring

Information:
The Social Instrument
of Nationhood

Time: 1pm -2:30pm
(Jamaican time)

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Sherwood McCaskie
Head, Archives & Information,
Caribbean Broadcasting
Corporation Barbados

The Department of Library and Information Studies (DLIS), Awards Ceremony

Several students from the Department of Library and Information Studies (DLIS) received awards at the Annual faculty of Humanities and Education Student Awards Ceremony on **Thursday November 10, 2022**. The Ceremony was in honour of students who excelled scholastically during the 2021/2022 academic year. *See a few of the awardees below.*



**Ms. Shauna-Kay
Sutherland**

Quida Rowe Prize for
Best Grade in LIBS1003
- Introduction to
Information Studies
Presented by:
Mr. Mark-Jeffery Deans



Ms. Dyeima Hall,

Preservation Management
Prize for Best Grade in
LIBS3702 - Preservation
Management for Libraries
& Information Units
Presented by:
Dr. Stanley Griffin



Ms. Samantha Robinson

CARBICA Prize for Best Grade
in ARCM6002 - Acquisition,
Organisation & Use of
Archival Materials

Presented by:
Dr. Stanley Griffin



Mr. Jermaine Walker

Frances Salmon Prize for
Outstanding Performance at
Level II

Presented by:
Mr. Mark-Jeffery Deans



**Ms. Chevian
Lewis, DLIS
Library Assistant**

accepting an
award on behalf
of a student,
from Dr. Stanley
Griffin.

Jamaica Library Service

Submitted by: Keisha Walton, JLS Representative



JAMAICA LIBRARY SERVICE ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE LIBRARY AND INFORMATION ASSOCIATION OF JAMAICA February 2022 – January 2023

As an agency of the Ministry of Education and Youth, the Jamaica Library Service (JLS) continued to support the recovery of learning loss experienced in the education sector for over two years, as a result of the disruptions from the COVID-19 pandemic. As the nation celebrated 60 years of independence under the theme *Re-igniting a Nation for Greatness* the organization joined in the celebration by coordinating a range of value added programmes and events throughout 2022.

Several achievements resulted, enabled by the strengthening of long-standing partnerships and the forging of new engagements. Highlights included:

- Partnership with EduFocal Limited to establish online learning centres in public libraries islandwide, inclusive of the proposed renovation of the Joyce Robinson Hall, Kingston & St. Andrew Parish Library and working with the JLS to transform libraries across Jamaica
- Partnership with Ntukuma, the Storytelling Foundation of Jamaica to produce the hybrid staging (face-to-face and online) of the annual Ananse Soundsplash Storytelling Conference and Festival
- Carlong Publishers' donation of 1,000 copies of its publications to the JLS for distribution to public and school libraries islandwide as effort in part to combat the learning loss experienced since the pandemic
- A face-to-face Awards Ceremony to mark the culmination of the 2021/2022 season of the National Reading Competition.
- Engagements and initiatives in observance of Jamaica 60, Read Across Jamaica Day and Library & Information Week
- Launch of the book, *Beyond My Wildest Dreams* by Gloria Salmon, former Director General
- Professional Development Workshops and Seminars for librarians and Teacher-Librarians
- Establishment of a Jamaica Library Service Research and Publications Committee mandated to stimulate and advance research and publication about the organization

- Seventeen (17) members of staff receiving long service awards from the Jamaica Civil Service for 25 years or more of service and four (4) members of staff being recipients of the Badge of Honour for Gallantry at the National Honours & Awards Ceremony.

PARTNERSHIPS

Technology in Education

Partnership Agreement with EduFocal Limited

The Jamaica Library Service and EduFocal Limited signed a partnership agreement on August 12, 2022 for the establishment of digital learning centres in parish libraries. The partnership also entails the EduFocal investment in infrastructure development of select libraries island wide; provision of free internet access, training of JLS staff, earmarked spaces for students to attend virtual classes through the EduFocal Academy platform and other supplementary programmes to new library members.



Mr. Gordon Swaby, Chief Executive Officer, EduFocal Limited (left seated) and Miss Maureen Thompson, Director General, Jamaica Library Service (right seated) sign the partnership agreement between the entities for the establishment of online learning centres at parish libraries island wide. Observing the proceedings are the Hon. Fayval Williams, Minister of Education and Youth (right, standing) and Mr. Dimitri South, JLS Board Director

Partnership with Universal Service Fund for WIFI/Broadband Expansion

The JLS has partnered with the Universal Service Fund (USF) to ensure that the public has greater access to the internet and ICT devices. This partnership is facilitated under the USF Jamaica Connect Project to install community WIFI access points at eight (8) library locations. These are: Alexandria, Clarendon, Greater Portmore, Huntley, Lewisville, Moneague, and Warminster Branch Libraries and the St. Mary Parish Library.



Launch of Community Wifi access for the Clarendon and Moneague Branch Libraries on Thursday March 24, 2022. Ten (10) computers were also donated to the Clarendon Branch Library and four (4) to the Moneague Branch Library.

(Pictured) Mrs. Lisa Hanna, Member of Parliament for South East St. Ann exploring the new computers with students.

PROGRAMMES & SERVICES



National Reading Competition 2021/2022

The 2022 staging of the National Reading Competition was held between April and August 2022 under the theme *Re-igniting a nation to read!* in keeping with the celebration of Jamaica 60 anniversary of independence. As part of the observance, all fifteen (15) compulsory reading material used at the national level were selected from local publications. A total of 1,835 library members registered to participate in the Competition which represented a 47% increase over the previous year where the COVID-19 restrictions had impacted participation. The 2021 and 2022 National Reading Competition National Champions were announced at the Awards Ceremony held at the Jamaica Pegasus Hotel on Friday August 26, 2022. LIAJA continued its support of the Competition for both years through the contribution of trophy and cash award for the Best Letter. The event was streamed live via YouTube and Facebook.



Jamaica Library Service 2022 National Reading Competition National Champions (Front left to right) Janae Brown, 12-14 from St. Ann Parish Library Network; Allyiauna Gordon, 15-20 from St. Thomas Parish Library Network; Adlyn Smith Graham 21 and Over from Kingston and St. Andrew Parish Library Network; Aly-Anna Holness, 9-11 from St. Catherine Parish Library Network and Cavane Carter 6-8 from the Portland Parish Library Network. Celebrating with them are (Back left to Right) Mr. Paul Lalor, Chairman, Jamaica Library Board and Mrs. Samantha Charles, CEO, VM Foundation - Major Sponsor



A highlight among the 2021 National Champions was the mother and son duo from the Clarendon Parish Library Network, Marjorie Howitt Bennett and Kyle Bennett, who emerged as the 21 and over and the 9 -11 National Champion respectively. Mrs. Bennett is an educator who became a library member at a very early age and encouraged the same for her children.

Support from LIAJA

The JLS expressed appreciation to the Library and Information Association of Jamaica (LIAJA) for sponsoring cash award and trophy for the best letter in the 6-8 age group for the 2021 and 2022 NRC. Mrs. Kerry-Ann Rodney Wellington, President, LIAJA presented the sectional prize for both years at the Ceremony. *(Pictured below).*



*Pictured is Justin Plunkett, 6-8 Parish Champion from St. Ann Parish Library Network receiving Trophy and Cash Award from President, Mrs. Kerry-Ann Rodney-Wellington, for the Competitor who wrote the **BEST LETTER** in the 6-8 age group of the 2021 NRC.*



*Pictured is Akaileo Fisher, 6-8 Parish Champion from St. Elizabeth Parish Library Network receiving Trophy and Cash Award from President Mrs. Kerry-Ann Rodney-Wellington, for the Competitor who wrote the **BEST LETTER** in the 6-8 age group of the 2022 NRC.*

Annual Summer Programme

The summer programme was coordinated across the island between July and August 2022 under the theme *“Re-igniting a Nation to Read”* in keeping with the observation of the Jamaica’s 60th anniversary of Independence. An important objective of this theme was to sustain the initiative to use reading and storytelling engagements to support the recovery of the learning loss in students. The JLS also partnered with Choices Career and Education Advice to facilitate two virtual presentations to summer programme participants island wide. Total participation at the end of August 2022 was 1,444.

National Career Awareness Week February 6 – 11, 2022



Jamaica Library Service
Career Forum
"Career Success: Building Critical Skills to Navigate the Future"
Guest Speakers

Dr. Ann-Marie Williams
Manager, Placement and Career Services, UWI

Mr. Shavon Hutchinson
Administrator, Faculty of Engineering, UWI

Mrs. Angela deFreitas
General Manager, CHOICES Caribbean & Education Advice

Monday February 7, 2022
Discussion starts at 11:45 a.m.

Youth Development & Career Advancement –

The JLS partnered with the Ministry of Education and Youth, Heart NSTA Trust and Junior Achievement Jamaica in observance of National Career Week from February 5 to 11, 2022 under the theme “*Career Success: Building Critical Skills to Navigate the Future.*” As part of the partnership, the JLS hosted a Career Forum in the Joyce Robinson Hall at the Kingston and St. Andrew Parish Library on February 7, 2022. The forum was shared via Zoom to the parish library networks and streamed live on JLS’s social media platforms with an overall viewership in excess of 550 persons. All parish libraries mounted displays utilizing resources provided through HEART and hosted students throughout the week to engage in career talks and other activities.

Read Across Jamaica Day – May 3, 2022

The JLS, through its public and school library network, organized face-to-face and online readings in observance of Read Across Jamaica Day on May 3, 2022. A highlight of the observance was the visit of the Minister of Education, the Hon. Fayal Williams to the Kingston and St. Andrew Parish Library, to participate in a reading session with students from various schools at the primary level. The Minister read from the title “*Little Lion Goes for Gold*” by Kellie Magnus and engaged students with questions throughout the session. Students were also encouraged to become active library members and read for enjoyment, while developing comprehension and critical thinking skills. A total of 78 other sessions were held island wide with 41 schools impacting 3,738 students and 13 major sessions in public libraries impacting over 1,500 patrons.



Hon. Fayval Williams, Minister of Education, engages students at the Kingston and St. Andrew Parish Library on Read Across Jamaica Day, May 3, 2022.



Staff from the Jamaica Library Service interact with students in face to face and online reading sessions on Read Across Jamaica Day, May 3, 2022.

International Literacy Day – September 8, 2022

Jamaica Library Service (JLS) collaborated with the Regional Literacy Coordinators from the Ministry of Education and Youth Regions 1, 4 and 5, to host programmes in observance of International Literacy Day 2022, under the theme *“Transforming Literacy Learning Spaces.”* Westmoreland Parish Library hosted the Region 4 event with 31 representatives from 14 schools online and seven schools participating face to face. The Region 5 event was held at Church Teachers College and impacted 195 participants.

National Honours and Awards - October 17, 2022

The JLS was pleased to celebrate the recognition of four (4) members of staff being recipients of the Badge of Honour for Gallantry at the National Honours & Awards Ceremony on Monday, October 17, 2022. The staff were awarded for exemplary bravery in preventing the abduction of a young schoolgirl and for live-saving action.

International School Library Month – October 2022

The School Library Network promoted International School Library Month 2022 through the regional offices under the theme *“Reading for Global Peace and Harmony.”* Teacher-librarians were encouraged to engage students in activities centered on how reading can help us to understand and support each other.

A new programme was also launched for the month, dubbed School Library Virtual “Link-up”. The objective of the initiative was to highlight the importance of school libraries to the teaching and learning process. The “Link-up” used the virtual space to have school libraries ‘visit’ other school libraries and for students and to teacher-librarians to interact; view the resources offered and be exposed to best practices.

A live “Link-up” virtual tour was coordinated at the Ardenne High School library on October 31, 2022 followed by a pre-recorded tour of the Tivoli Gardens High school library on Friday, November 4, 2022 during Library and Information Week. Both engagements were well received and impacted over 20 participants.

International Association of School Librarianship Newsletter

The Jamaica Library Service was again featured in the **January 2023 International Association of School Librarianship Newsletter**. The article highlighted the promotion of school libraries in teaching and learning through ‘making’ activities and the new programme dubbed School Library Virtual “Link-up”.



Librarians in the School Library Network marshalling a School Library Virtual “Link-up” session featuring a pre-recorded tour done using 360° video software

Library and Information Week - October 30 – November 5, 2022

The JLS was pleased to contribute to the Library and Information Week Supplement published in the Gleaner on November 3, 2022 with a message from the Director General and an advertorial.

Library and Information Professionals’ Day

Library Information Professionals were recognized island wide. A highlight of the observance was the presentation of tokens of appreciation to twenty-seven (27) Library and Information Professionals on November 3, 2022 by Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder of EduFocal Mr. Gordon Swaby followed by an announcement of plans to renovate the Joyce Robinson Hall at the Kingston and St. Andrew Parish Library in recognition of Library and Information Week.

GoodHeart | EduFocal to renovate Joyce Robinson Hall at Tom Redcam Library

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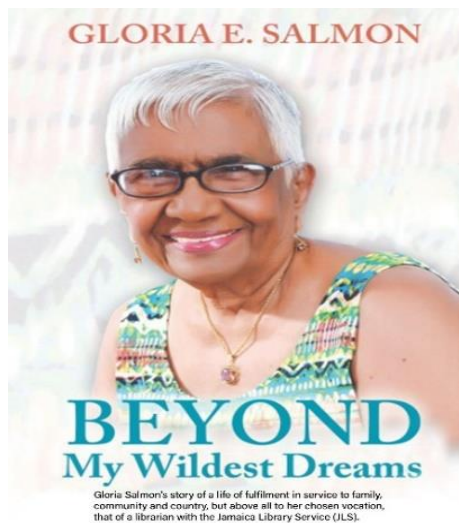
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Book Launch – Beyond My Wildest Dreams

Jamaica Library Service hosted the launch of the book *Beyond My Wildest Dreams* by **Mrs. Gloria Salmon C.D. O.D**, former Director General. The event was held at the Kingston & St. Andrew Parish Library on November 2, 2022, and was well supported by colleagues in the library and information industry and well-wishers islandwide.

Published by Ian Randle Publishers, the JLS has acquired and distributed island wide over 250 copies of the pioneer biographical publication which intertwines a personal life story, the history of the Jamaica Library Service and forty-six years of public service. On the occasion of the launch, Miss Maureen Thompson, Director General announced the establishment of a Jamaica Library Service **Research and Publications Committee** mandated to stimulate and advance research and publication about the organization in her honour.



Other major activities coordinated for the week included:

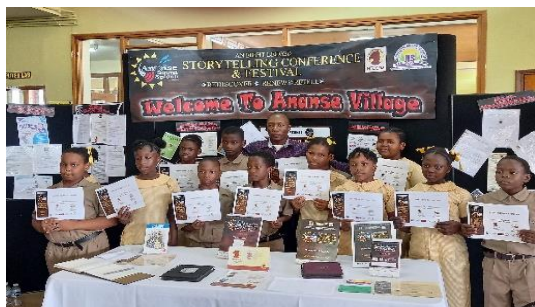
- **Library Still a Keep** Photo Challenge to showcase public interaction with staff and services of the JLS. Photographs of individuals posted on social media platforms.
- **Level-Up @ Your Library** Membership and EBSCO Promotion Drive to increase awareness and usage of the digital services and databases as well as to increase membership

Ananse Soundsplash Storytelling Conference and Festival 2022

The Jamaica Library Service in partnership with Ntukuma Storytelling Foundation of Jamaica produced the **Ananse Soundsplash Storytelling Conference and Festival**, in hybrid format from November 13 – 20, 2022 under the theme *“Webs of Greatness.”* The event presented by the Tourism Enhancement Fund (TEF) and the Culture, Health, Arts, Science and Education (CHASE) Fund, among others commenced with an opening gala at the *Anase Villiage* at the Kingston & St. Andrew Parish Library. The Festival featured a week of programming including ring games, storytelling, a book launch, a lunch hour concert, presentations and a week long exhibition on the journey of storytelling.



National Storytelling Day was observed on Sunday November 20, 2022 with an evening of storytelling at the St. Ann Parish Library, Marcus Garvey Centre. The events for the week were livestreamed on the JLS FaceBook and YouTube pages.



L: Students accompanied by their teacher display certificates of participation for attending the Ananse Soundsplash 2022 Opening Gala titled “Our Hearts Salute Jamaica” hosted at the Kingston and St. Andrew Parish Library. R: Storyteller & Author, Gwyneth Harold Davidson present on National Storytelling Day at the St. Ann Parish Library.

JAMAICA 60 INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATIONS

The JLS observed Jamaica’s 60th Anniversary of Independence – Jamaica 60 with several activities at Headquarters and throughout the parish library networks. A major feature of the celebration was the unveiling of the statue of the Hon. Alexander Bustamante on the grounds of the Hanover Parish Library. The Prime Minister also toured the Parish Library following the ceremony.

Installation of the Statue of the Rt. Excellent Alexander Bustamante - Hanover Parish Library



The life-sized statue of Sir Alexander Bustamante accompanied by two storyboards, were unveiled by Prime Minister, the Most Honourable Andrew Holness on Friday, August 12, 2022 on the grounds of the Hanover Parish Library. Hanover is the second parish library to receive a statue of a national hero; the first being St. Ann Parish Library with a statue of Rt. Excellency Marcus Garvey.

Other JA 60 Events

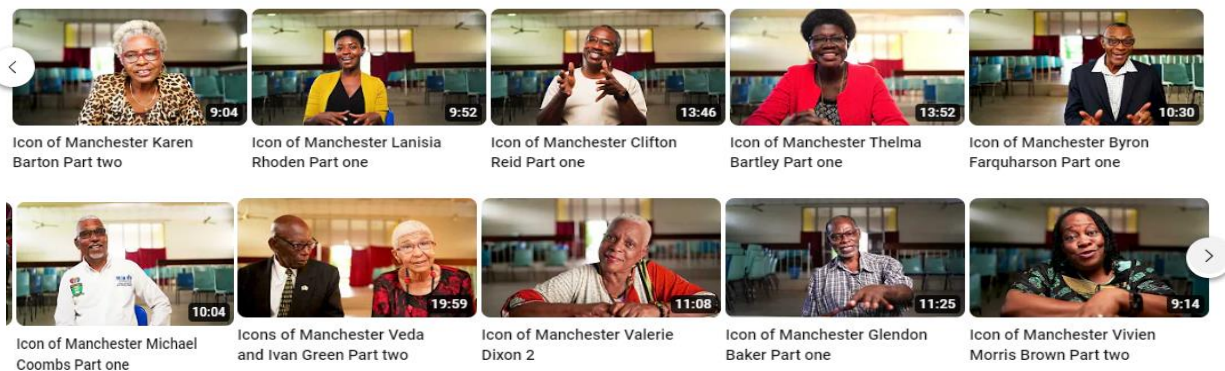
Public and School libraries islandwide coordinated other programmes and events to promote and celebrate the culture and history of Jamaica. These include among others: the relaunch of the Friends of the St. James Parish Library through a Memories of the City of Montego Bay event, Marcus Garvey Lecture at the St. Ann Parish Library, Breadfruit Festival at the St. Thomas Parish Library, the Emancipation/Independence Exhibition at Westmoreland Parish Library in partnership with Jamaica Cultural Development Commission and the Westmoreland Municipal Corporation.



Tourists visit the Emancipation/Independence Exhibition at the Westmoreland Parish Library

JA 60 Events Highlights

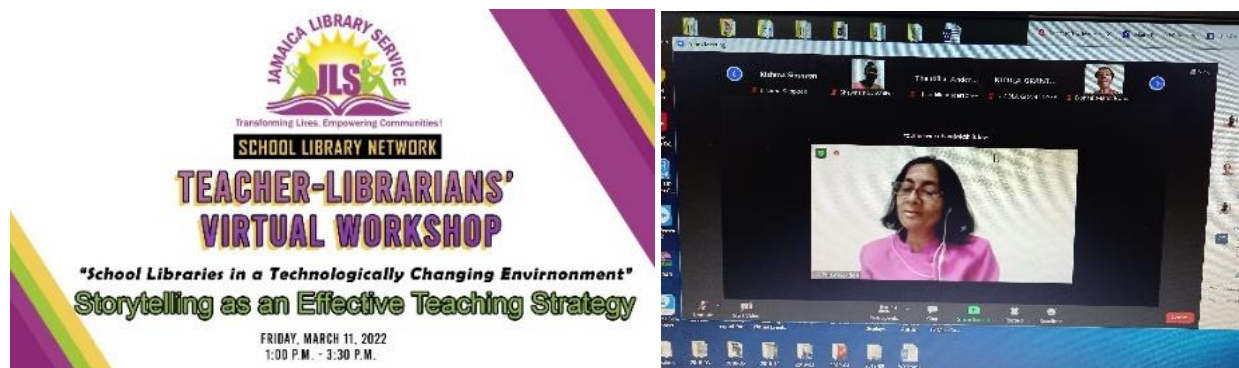
The Manchester Parish Library also coordinated a social media memory of the parish programme dubbed **“Icons of Manchester”** where community members were recorded sharing their knowledge of significant parish milestones since Independence. Mrs. Karen Barton, former Director General of the JLS, Past President of LIAJA and resident of Manchester for many years, was also featured.



DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS/SEMINARS

Teacher-Librarians' Workshops

The JLS in partnership with NTUKUMA, the Storytelling Foundation of Jamaica, coordinated a virtual workshop titled ***"Storytelling as an Effective Teaching Strategy"*** for teacher/librarians to be empowered to use storytelling as a tool to improve social skills to combat student's learning loss experienced during the pandemic. The workshop also highlighted strategies to enhance listening skills; encourage the reading habit; expose children to various cultures and encourage the use of the imagination. The workshops were held on March 11 and March 18, 2022 with a total of 24 teacher-librarians impacted.



Professional Development Seminars

A series of four (4) Professional Development Seminars were held on September 6, 13, 22 and 27, 2022 impacting **51** professional staff which included Librarians, Research Assistants, Senior Librarians and Regional Directors. The objectives of the seminars were to:

- Enable managers to lead, plan and supervise effectively, delivered by Management Institute for National Development (MIND)
- Describe the legal obligations of the JLS with focus on legislation that guides public bodies to include: the FAA Act; Public Procurement, Public Bodies Management & Accountability Act and Governance Frameworks and Audit
- Provide a deeper understanding of the structure and operations of JLS, the technical and administrative roles and responsibilities of the librarian cadre island wide.
- Outline the history, purpose and roles of the School and Public Library Network

BOOK DONATION HIGHLIGHTS

- A handover ceremony for the publication *Shaping a Servant Leader* by Professor Neville Ying, was held on Tuesday March 15, 2022 at JLS Headquarters. Thirteen (13) copies of the title were donated for distribution to the parish libraries island wide.
- Five titles authored and donated by Professor Opal Palmer Adisa were officially handed over to the JLS on Wednesday, May 11, 2022.

- The Director General, (right) accepts donation of 14 copies of the book *My Brand Compass: The 13 Cs to Building Your Personal Brand* from new author Dr Terri-Karelle Reid, (left) media personality at handing over photo-op at the Jamaica Library Service Headquarters on June 3, 2022



- The Political Ombudsman, Hon. Donna Parchment Brown presented 15 copies of the book *Jamaica Strong and Free- A Civic Education Handbook* published by the Office of the Political Ombudsman to the Director General on the occasion of a courtesy call on Monday, June 6, 2022.



- The Ambassador of Chile, HE Constanza Figueroa paid a courtesy call to the Director General on July 13, 2022 and donated 27 books to the JLS

Carlong Publishers Limited Donation – Sand Pebbles Pleasure Series

Carlong Publishers donated 1,000 copies of publications from the Sand Pebbles Pleasure Series to the JLS for distribution to public and school libraries islandwide at an official handing over ceremony held on October 12, 2022 at the Jamaica Pegasus Hotel. The donation, valued at approximately \$1M represented Carlong Publishers' effort in part to support the education recovery process in the face of learning loss experienced since the COVID-19 pandemic.

National Library of Jamaica

Submitted by: Desaray Pivott-Nolan, NLJ Representative



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ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE LIBRARY AND INFORMATION ASSOCIATION OF JAMAICA February 2022 – January 2023

INTRODUCTION

This report highlights the activities of the National Library of Jamaica for the period January 3 - December 31, 2022.

INTERNAL OPERATIONS

JAMLIN Manager and LIAJA Representative - Ms. Chantelle Richardson was the Acting Manager Jamaica Libraries and Information Network (JAMLIN) and LIAJA representative for NLJ from September 2021 to August 2022. Mrs. Desaray Pivott-Nolan subsequently took on the role of LIAJA representative for NLJ in November 2022 upon the resignation of Ms. Chantelle Richardson.

NLJ Health Fair - This was held on May 26, 2022. Complementary and paid services were offered to NLJ team members by Sagikor representatives.

Acquisition of the FlexScan800 Scanner- This equipment was received by the NLJ on May 26, 2022. Its capabilities include scanning microfilm, microfiche and aperture cards at 3:40 minutes per 16mm/95 ft. roll. Mr. Dustin Halverson, NextScan Support Technician, provided training to team members on how to operate the scanner.



Allison Providence-Lange Sustainability Award – The National Library of Jamaica was awarded the Inaugural Allison Providence-Lange Sustainability Award on Thursday, June 9, 2022, in Willemstad, Curacao. Mrs. Tricia Lawrence Powell, Director, User Services and

Conservation, accepted this award on the last day of the Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference at the Curacao Marriott Beach Resort in Willemstad.

The NLJ received a plaque and a cash grant of US\$5,000 which will be used to support the project titled ‘NLJ Academy: shifting gears inside and outside’. The project will facilitate training for NLJ team members, library, and information professionals in Jamaica. The award was made possible through the partnership of the Library Association of Trinidad and Tobago (LATT) and EBSCO.



Mrs. Tricia Lawrence Powell (left), Director User Services & Conservation, NLJ displaying the Allison Providence-Lange Sustainability Award with Donna Daley (right), Regional Sales, EBSCO Manager, EBSCO

Passing of Ms. June Vernon

Ms. June Vernon former Deputy Director, Technical Services passed on July 18, 2022. A tribute was prepared by Mr. John Aarons, former Executive Director, NLJ and was published in the Daily Gleaner on August 31, 2022. Ms. Vernon was laid to rest on August 16, 2022 at the St Andrew Parish Church, Half Way Tree, Kingston. Five (5) NLJ staff members attended the service.

NLJ at COLINET - A complement of eleven (11) NLJ staff members were afforded the opportunity to attend the 12th Biennial COLINET Symposium held at the Jamaica Pegasus Hotel on October 6-7, 2022. The National Librarian attended and provided remarks at the opening ceremony.

World Day for Audio-visual Heritage 2022

As part of efforts to raise awareness for the day, Dr Anna Paolini, Director, UNESCO Cluster Office for the Caribbean and Beverley Lashley, National Librarian, National Library of Jamaica/Chair, Memory of the World, Jamaica spoke on “The value of AV heritage” at an interview on Sunrise at CVM with host Raymond Pryce on October 27, 2022.



Library & Information Professional Day - This was recognized on November 3, 2022, and all Library and Information Professionals were treated.



Sexual Harassment Awareness - A mandatory sensitization session on the Sexual Harassment Act was held on Friday, November 18, 2022, facilitated by the Bureau of Gender Affairs.

NLJ End of Year Function

This year the end of year function took the form of a staff incentive and long service award luncheon, held on December 16, 2022. Staff members were rewarded for their outstanding performances and notable years of service with the NLJ. Special recognition was also given to retiree Mrs. Joyce Brown-Murray.



Decorations from End of Year Function

St. Monica Home Visit

The NLJ's staff association NALSA conducted a donation drive both internally and through engagement with corporate Jamaica to accumulate food, toiletries, clothing, and other supplies to the wards of the St.



NALSA Representatives at St. Monica's Children's Home

Monica's Children's Home. The items were presented on December 20, 2022.

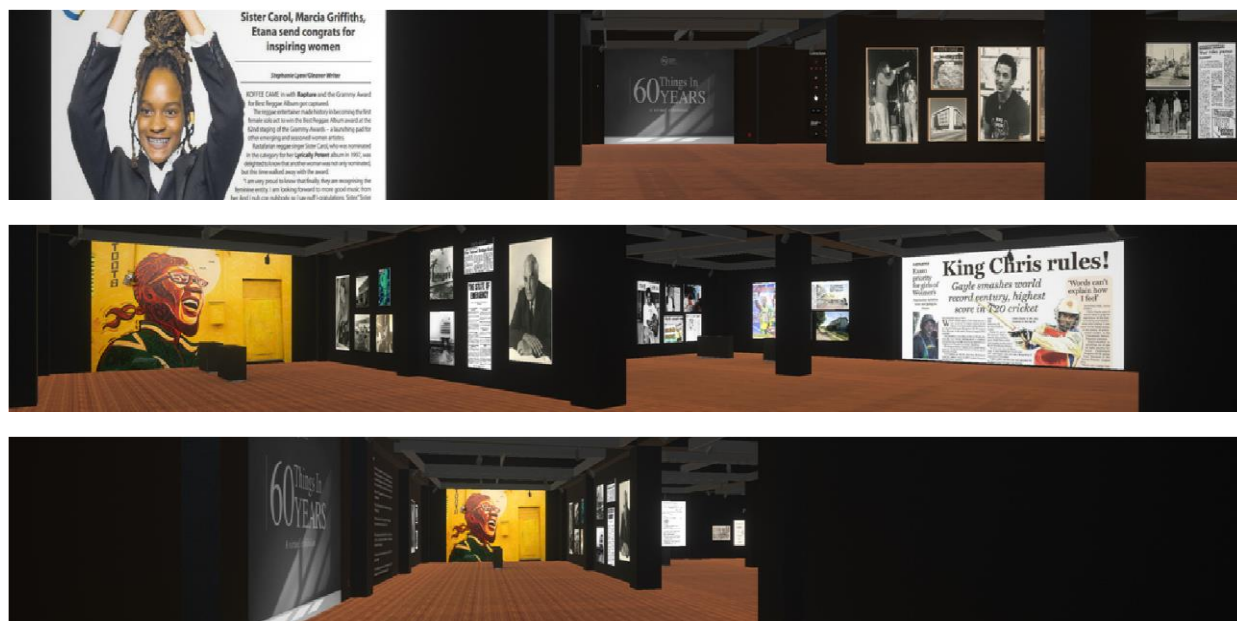
SERVICE DELIVERY

Research and Information - The NLJ continued its operations through an appointment system. The necessary measures were put in place based on guidelines from the Ministry of Health and Wellness.

Exhibitions

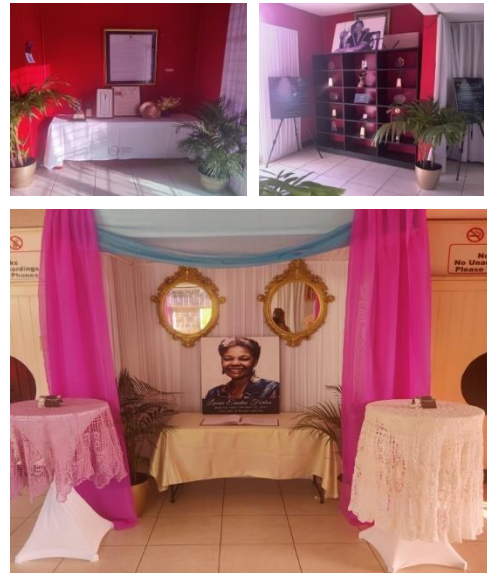
The NLJ curated/participated in the following exhibitions:

- In celebration of Jamaica's 60th Independence, a virtual exhibition was hosted entitled "60 Things in 60 Years" in August 2022.



Landing pages of Virtual exhibition "60 Things in 60 Years"

- Remembering Leonie Forbes – Physical exhibition mounted at The Little Theatre on November 21, 2022.



Remembering Leonie Forbes Exhibition

Collection Development - There were a total of 316 items received for the period January to December 2022. The following were some received throughout the year:

Some notable donors include:

- The Honourable Barbara Blake Hannah O.D. -Jamaican born writer is the first-ever black TV journalist in Britain.
- Dr. Donovan Stanberry, Registrar, UWI, Mona Campus
- Honourable Derrick C. Smith, CD, Former Cabinet Minister, MP,
- Rev. Dr. Winston Scott
- Mrs. Pat Chin, co-founder of VP Records
- Professor of Sociology at Harvard, Orlando Patterson



Ms. Geraldine Goulbourne, Librarian, NLJ accepting donation from Rev. Dr. Winston Scott

KOHA Support - The provision of hosting services and training in the implementation and use of the following represents institutions using KOHA to date:

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| New | 4 |
| Hosted | 25 |
| Non-Hosted | 8 |
| TOTAL | 33 |

The KOHA Support Team conducted seven (7) training sessions.

Special Programmes & Marketing

- **World Poetry Day** – In celebration of this day, the Poetry Competition was launched via a mixed modality format on Monday, March 21, 2022 at the Jamaica Pegasus. The Jamaica Poetry Archive was also launched at this event. Among the attendees were: The Honourable Olivia Grange, The Honourable Alando Terrelonge, MP; as well as representatives from UNESCO. The function was streamed, and the recording can be accessed on NLJ’s YouTube page, while the Poetry Archive can be accessed on NLJ’s website.



The Hon. Alando Terrelonge, MP, Minister of State - MCGES, officially launches the Jamaica Poetry Archive and 2022 Poetry Competition.

- Long service & Incentive Awards /Retirement Luncheon – March 30, 2022, held at Alhambra Inn

Poet Laureate of Jamaica - Ms. Olive Senior, Poet Laureate participated in the following activities:

- Introductory video of the Poet Laureate entitled “In Conversation with Olive Senior, Poet Laureate of Jamaica 2021-2024” in January 2022
- The Poet Laureate Panel on Dub/Reggae Poetry in February 2022
- The Caribbean Association of Tertiary-Level Academic Literacies Practitioners (CATALP) International Writers Day Guest Lecture
- Guest Lecture by the Kiwanis Club of St. Andrew for International Women’s Day
- Senate visit on a special invitation by President the Hon. Tom Tavares-Finson, where she read poetry in the sitting of the upper house and met with the Ministers, Senators, The British High Commissioner, and the Political Ombudsman in March 2022
- Courtesy calls on the British High Commission on May 25th, 2022



- NLJ partnered with Jamaica Society Leeds in celebration of Jamaica's 60th, Poet Laureate Ms. Olive Senior toured the UK and appeared at the Out of Many Literature Festival and did some poetry readings on October 3-7, 2022. The Director of Special Programmes Mr. Royane Green also accompanied her to facilitate partnership discussions and publication exchange with Special Collections and Outreach Divisions.



Royane Green, Director, Special Programmes made a working visit to the Leeds Libraries to facilitate *partnership discussions*

Poetry Competition – individuals have been shortlisted for the following prizes:

- The Poet Laureate Prize for Poetry
- The Michael Cooke Prize for poetry
- The Edward Baugh Prize for Poetry
- The Louise Bennett Prize for Poetry

The official announcement of the prize winners will be on **World Poetry Day, March 21, 2023.**

Commemoration of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II- in recognition of the passing of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II featured items from NLJ's collection were displayed on social media platforms highlighting her various visits to Jamaica during her tenure.

EVENTS

JAMLIN Workshop: Cataloguing & Classification II– This was held virtually as a two-part series with Part A held on January 27, 2022, and Part B on February 3, 2022. A total of 215 participants from across JAMLIN were in attendance. The presenters were: Mrs. Maxine Jones, Manager, Cataloguing and Classification; Mrs. Desaray Pivott-Nolan, Manager, Audio-Visual and Micrographics; Ms. Sharlett Thomas, Librarian, Special Collections; Mr. Ranardo Jackson, System Support Officer and Ms. Jheanelle Foster, System Support Officer who presented on cataloguing various resources using RDA as well as the KOHA Integrated Library System. Certificates of participation and prizes were issued to the participants.

Kendal Train Crash Commemoration Event - The NLJ partnered with the Manchester Municipal Corporation to mount an exhibition in commemoration of the 65th anniversary of the Kendal Crash on September 1, 2022, at the Manchester Parish Library, Mandeville. This was branded as a “Jamaica 60” event by the Ministry of Culture, Gender, Entertainment and Sport.

Miss Lou Birthday Celebrations - NLJ used social media to highlight the 103rd birthday of Jamaica’s cultural icon, Miss Lou. An online exhibition was used to mark the celebration on September 7, 2022.

Despite the ongoing challenges post-pandemic, the NLJ continues to persevere

We look forward to an eventful 2023!

Reports from Associations

Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL)

Submitted by: Mark-Jeffery Deans, ACURIL Executive Council Representative- LIAJA



During the 51st staging of the ACURIL conference held in Aruba, Mr. David Drysdale was appointed president of the Association.

On JUNE 4 – 8, 2023, Jamaica will be hosting another ACURIL conference, under the leadership of Mr. Drysdale, ACURIL President and Campus Librarian, University of Technology, Jamaica. This is the 52nd Conference of the Association and of course, the responsibility for spearheading this will fall on the Association. *LIAJA will need all “hands on deck” and the full backing and support of all individual and institutional member librarians to begin the task of planning for ACURIL 2023.*

A [call for presentations, workshops and posters](http://acuril.org/tag/acuril-2023/) have been extended to the members under the conference theme: Innovation: Opportunities and Challenges in Libraries, Museums and Archives of the Caribbean. Additional information on the various sub-themes and general conference information can be found via the ACURIL Website <http://acuril.org/tag/acuril-2023/>

International Association of School Librarianship (IASL)

Submitted by: Mark-Jeffery Deans, IASL Representative

Mr. Deans served as the Regional Director for Latin America / Caribbean to fill an unexpired term through mid-2023.

As the Regional Director for Latin America / Caribbean through mid-2023, he attended the 50th Annual IASL Hybrid Conference and the 25th International Forum on Research in School Librarianship. **The hybrid** conference was held under the theme "School Librarianship and the Evolving Global Information Landscape" from July 11-15, 2022. The conference was a collaborative event hosted by The International Association for School Librarianship, the University of South Carolina School of Information, the South Carolina Association of School Librarians, and the South Carolina Center for Community Literacy.

International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA)

Submitted by: Kerry-Ann Rodney-Wellington, President, LIAJA

This year Mrs. Odean Cole-Phoenix, Technical Information Manager and Coordinator, GLINJA, PIOJ and member of LIAJA's Board of Directors, was invited by IFLA to attend the *Learning from engagement: insights and lessons, which* was a High Level Political Forum on the SDGs, held August 2022 in New York.

Conclusion

The opportunity to serve the Library and information Association of Jamaica has truly been a tremendous and fulfilling blessing. Over the period the executive has maintained its collective vigilance and resilience in ensuring that the Association continues to shape the information landscape in the island.

The 2022 Executive team has given invaluable service and support in our efforts to accomplish the aims and objectives of the Association, and for this I am truly grateful.

I must express my appreciation to the membership for the undergirding that you have given to us over the period and we look forward to seeing LIAJA soaring to new heights.

A SPECIAL ADVERTISING FEATURE



Library & Information

WEEK 2022



Theme: "GLAM/Rs: Reigniting a Nation to Greatness"

MESSAGES

Igniting our nation's greatness

OCTOBER 30 through to November 5 marks the seventh staging of Library and Information Professionals Week. Since its inception on October 20, 2016, this event has served as a beacon, shining a spotlight on this noble profession and those individuals who work so hard to provide quality service to the Jamaican society. November 3 is of special note as it is being observed as Library and Information Professionals' Day, the watershed point for the celebrations. It is an absolute pleasure for me to extend to all library and information professionals in Jamaica,



sincere wishes for a happy and memorable week.

The theme guiding the activities for Library Week 22 is: 'GLAM/Rs: Reigniting a Nation to Greatness'. 'GLAM/Rs' is the acronym for galleries, libraries,

archives, museums and records centres. One of these stellar agencies can often be found in many of the institutions pivotal to societal development; namely, educational institutions, governmental ministries, departments and agencies, businesses and civic organisations and churches. A number of these agencies have also been established to serve as independent entities providing the same indelible service. These institutions over time have proved to be enduring in providing leadership in the acquisition, organisation, storage, preservation, and dissemination of information.

The execution of these services of the GLAM/R institutions are fundamental to information gathering and decision making which are pivotal to the ordered development of our society.

The Library and Information Association of Jamaica aims to promote a wider knowledge of the work of GLAM/R institutions, in order to create a nationally informed opinion of these institutions. This is the ethos undergirding the focus of our Library Week activities. We seek to underscore the necessity of providing reliable information to counter the effects of the very clear and present danger of misinformation, disinformation and fake news, which are so prevalent in today's society.

Thus, we support GLAM/R institutions in their efforts to

acquire, organise, preserve and disseminate information and provide services that reflect the UNESCO Sustainable Development Goals to eradicate poverty; to provide information to ensure the promotion of healthy lifestyles; and to ensure each citizen gets quality education for innovation to take place across the Jamaican society. In so doing, GLAM/R institutions have embraced the attitude of reigniting the people of Jamaica to achieve greatness. Ultimately, it is my hope that as we celebrate library and information week, that we all recognise the work and worth of the professionals who function in this industry across the island in various public and private institutions. I hope also that our society will come to an understanding of the ways

that GLAM/Rs have been working to ignite our nation's greatness through our work in the communities we serve. I, therefore, encourage all our stakeholders to continue to strive nobly for the provision of access to credible information; digital access services and resources; the preservation of our nation's rich heritage; and the facilitation of good governance *so that Jamaica may under God increase in beauty, fellowship and prosperity and play her part in advancing welfare the whole human race.* (Ministry of Education, 1962)

KERRY-ANN RODNEY-WELLINGTON
President
Library and Information Association of Jamaica

THE JAMAICA Library Service (JLS) joins the Library and Information Association of Jamaica and the library fraternity in the observance of Library and Information Week, under the theme 'GLAM/Rs: Reigniting a Nation to Greatness'. As we continue to emerge from the disruption of the past two years, the JLS salutes library and information professionals and paraprofessionals across the length and breadth of Jamaica for their varied roles of resilience and innovative

We support lifelong learning

response to the crisis. There are many who contribute to the recovery from the learning loss experienced in the education sector. The contribution of the library and information sector is especially significant in the context of the multi-sectoral impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, which continues to challenge us all to reflect, recoup and reset.

As an agency of the Ministry

of Education and Youth and the nation's only islandwide public and school library network, the JLS is a significant partner in the charge embodied in the theme for Library and Information Week. Reigniting those we serve to achieve greatness reasonably involves an assessment of our roles and impact to ensure that the support we provide is aligned to our stakeholder's changing

information needs. These needs include equitable and inclusive access to information and communications technology services, trauma-informed service delivery that is cognisant of mental and emotional health, and capacity-building that takes in multiple literacies, competencies and concepts such as digital citizenship.

The JLS continues to redefine its essential programmes and services, and seeks to build partnerships which




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enjoy benefits such as access to EBSCO host research database, which offers reliable and authentic information, peer-reviewed journals, e-books and more.


Library and Information Week 2022 offers another invaluable opportunity to showcase the work of our profession, organisations and institutions, and remind our stakeholders that our public and school libraries are here to support lifelong learning, innovation and transformation.

MAUREEN THOMPSON
Director General
Jamaica Library Service



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"Excellence Through Knowledge"

Continue to show that libraries are resilient

AS WE mark another year of celebration of Library and Information Week in Jamaica, it gives me great pleasure to salute library and information professionals in the various types of libraries, archives and museums across the country during this special week of celebration.

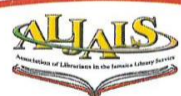
Library and information professionals continue to demonstrate that they are very important in helping users and organisations to get the right information at the right time to support the teaching and learning process, and to ultimately contribute to

national development. The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has helped us to appreciate that library and information units are resilient and can quickly adapt to the changing environment in which they operate. It is for that reason why so many of our local libraries have been transformed by offering new electronic services and operating more in an online environment than before. The use of electronic sources of information, such as e-books and massive online databases, has allowed libraries to reinvent themselves and remain relevant even in the



face of massive changes. However, many of our libraries continue to suffer from a serious shortage of resources. This funding gap sometimes

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Association of Librarians in the Jamaica Library Service

Celebrates
Library and Information Week 2022

"GLAM/Rs: Reigniting a Nation to Greatness"

MISSION STATEMENT

The Association of Librarians in the Jamaica Library Service aims to create a focused, well-trained and satisfied cadre of professionals capable of providing leadership in the development of the Jamaica Library Service and the profession of librarianship in order to facilitate learning and access to information for all.

We Salute All Library and Information Professionals and Para-Professionals

MESSAGES

Government libraries: the vehicle to the SDGs

THE JAMAICA Libraries and Information Network congratulates the hard-working information professionals as we celebrate Library and Information Week 2022.

Last year as we focused on adapting to change and expanding access, many government libraries engaged communities through training, providing access to computers, printing services, as well as free Internet services. Government libraries continue to contribute significantly to national development by providing coordinated and structured information. They can further contribute to many paradigm shifts by increasing access to better coordinated, accurate and structured information to eliminate misinformation.

Libraries play a critical role in Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) implementation and have

the potential to make an impact on all 17 goals.

Government libraries in Jamaica aim to provide the country's workforce with credible, authentic and current information, skills, abilities and tools to enable a functional and sustainable government.

As information repositories, libraries store resources for cultural development, economic growth and public information related to governance and civic life.

Libraries were represented at the United Nations High Level Political Forum in New York. This engagement resulted in a commitment between IFLA and UNESCO for libraries to engage in a National Sensitisation Forum, regarding the implementation of the Sustainable development goals.

In order for libraries to reignite our nation to greatness policymakers are encouraged to:



1. Include libraries in your national development plans, to implement national strategies and programmes to make sure no one is left behind.
2. Work with libraries to raise awareness about the SDGs, both for decision-makers and people in local communities.

As part of the UN 2030 Agenda, each country is asked to ensure that everyone, from stakeholder organisations to the general public, knows about the SDGs and why they matter. Librarians can help by providing information and updates about the SDGs, both for decision-makers and people in local communities.

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seems to be a deliberate strategy by policymakers and administrators who have not yet made the link between information, knowledge and the critical role they play in ensuring the growth and development of their institutions and the country.

I must especially applaud the work of librarians who are part of the College Libraries Information Network (COLINET).

COLINET libraries and librarians continue to grow from strength to strength, as recently demonstrated by the very successful staging of the 12th Biennial Symposium in October 2022. Continue to show that libraries are resilient, as you reposition and pivot to support teaching and learning.

I am confident we will have a productive, informative and enjoyable Library and Information Professionals Week.

DAVID A. DRYSDALE
University Librarian/COLINET
Coordinator
University of Technology, Jamaica

Past presidents from 1950 to present

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| 1950 | A.S. Bryant | 1969 | Vic Reid | 1988 | Norma Amenu-Kgado | 2007 | David Drysdale |
| 1951 | Harold Holdsworth | 1970 | Leila Thomas | 1989 | Albertina Jefferson | 2008 | Marva Bradford |
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| 1966 | William Gocking | 1984 | Lilith Morris | 2004 | Pamela Blake | | |
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| 1968 | Hazel Bennett | 1986-87 | John Aarons | 2006 | Karen Barton | | |

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