

# SLRLN NET NEWS



Fall 2018

## 2019 Tech Expo: Call For Proposals

The St. Louis Regional Library Network Council seeks proposals for the 2019 SLRLN Tech Expo, to be held at Logan University on March 6, 2019. Proposals may cover information technology projects, programs, tools, strategies, or recent discoveries.

Proposals could relate to, but are not restricted to, any of the following topics:

- Censorship and filtering
- Consortial resource and system sharing
- Cybersecurity and privacy
- Digital humanities
- Digital preservation
- Digitizing collections/archives
- Emerging technologies
- Google Tools
- Institutional or digital repositories
- Intersections of technology and Information literacy
- Learning management systems
- LibGuides / LibAnswers
- Library I.T. competencies
- Makerspaces
- Metadata
- Mobile technologies
- Online instruction
- Open content, software, and technologies
- Practical applications of linked data
- Search engine optimization
- Social media
- User experience

Presentations will be 40 minutes in length with 10 minutes for Q&A. Presenters will be asked to submit their final presentation slides and/or electronic content (video, audio, etc.) to be made available on the SLRLN website following the event.

[Submit your proposal idea for the 2019 Tech Expo.](#) The submission deadline is **Monday, December 3rd, 2018**. If you have any questions, please contact [slrln@amigos.org](mailto:slrln@amigos.org).

### 2018 Tech Expo Comments

One of my favorite events. I love the variety of speaker backgrounds.

Another successful Tech Expo. Thank you!

Excellent topics-learned a lot-great venue

This was my first time attending, and I thought it was great - like a mini conference!

Love the opportunity to network with local librarians. Presentation variety and quality over all was really high.

I appreciate the opportunity to attend this seminar. Thanks for your interest in local libraries and all you do to help us.

## Recap of Fall Workshop:

### Orchestrating Successful Events at Your Library – Florissant Valley Branch of St. Louis County Library

Two panels discussed hosting author events at your library. Authors Amanda Doyle and Sandra Thompson Williams shared suggestions to make an author visit successful. Some of the key points were that authors need to sell their books, they appreciate a flexible space, and make sure you have refreshments for the audience. Libraries are great venues for authors because people attend events on purpose and are very engaged audiences. Librarian experts Carrie Robb from St. Louis County Library, Sarah Nielson from St. Charles City County Library District, and Jeff Bargielski of Francis Howell Middle School shared their experiences. They discussed how they manage events, partner with publishers or book stores, and PR strategies for author visits. Their best advice for novices was to: look for partners, keep trying, and be a gracious host.

Many participants met at Hendel's for lunch after the workshop to network and share experiences.



## SLRLN Shared Calendar

Are you planning a library event and want to know what else is going on in the St. Louis Library Community? Look at <https://slrln.org/slrln-calendar/> from the St. Louis Regional Library Network, St. Louis Medical Libraries, Missouri Library Association, Greater St. Louis Library Club, and Special Libraries Association. We've combined several calendars so everyone can see local library events in one place. If you are interested in joining your calendar with ours, please contact [slrln@amigos.org](mailto:slrln@amigos.org).



### Have a story for Net News?

We are always interested in news about member libraries. If you know of innovative programs, new buildings, new hires, retirements, awards, or anything else at a member library, contact Heidi Vix, [heidivix29@webster.edu](mailto:heidivix29@webster.edu).

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### SLRLN

St. Louis Regional Library Network is a non-profit membership organization, which provides opportunities and forums for local libraries and librarians to share resources and knowledge. The Network began in 1977 and includes members from public, academic, school, special, and corporate libraries.

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