

ASAC Agenda

9/30/25 10:00am at UHLS

In Attendance: Judith Wines (UHLS), Emily Viscuso (GUIL), Heather Nelson (EGRN), Sarah Kerr-Mace (MEND), Kyle Keefe (BETH), Catherine Snow (EGRN), Ian Hauck (EGRN), Irene Cunningham (EGRN), Sam Christensen-Tripi (GUIL), Maura Powers-Smith (GUIL), Stephanie Anderson (APL)

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Introductions

AI Slop - What you need to know to keep low quality content out of your collections. [Click here for the presentation link](#)

Library Calendar updates

Widgets: A tool that pulls content from your library's calendar and displays it prominently on your library's homepage. Larger libraries can probably do this in-house, but UHLS can assist with libraries that would like to use this feature.

Big Calendar: Libraries don't use all the same metadata, so if a patron is searching for sensory-friendly programs and clicks on this filter, not every library that has this type of program will show up. Encourage libraries to categorize programs for the target audience, especially for age ranges (e.g. labeling something as "teens" when it's really for older children). On the flipside, sometimes programs labeled as "adults" have crossover appeal with teens (e.g. jewelry making, ghost hunting)

New App

Patrons can freeze and unfreeze their own holds. The app is very transparent about where a patron is in the holds queue. This freezing function is much closer to how Libby handles it, providing consistency of service across platforms.

The app also makes it more obvious about the ability to save your checkout history.

Library Marketing

Attendees agreed that it would be helpful to have UHLS create social media posts that can be shared with other libraries (e.g. how to opt-in to checkout history).

Sharing Program Wins

Is there value in identifying unique programming and sharing program wins with other libraries? A message board format might be good for this, or maybe a monthly email. Judith and Anne may look through programs and reach out to libraries to see how they went, and the library could fill out a form highlighting what they did.

GUII had a very successful fandom convention with over 200 attendees.
Stephanie pitched doing a Manga March Madness program (NYPL did this and teen participation tripled)

Open Forum