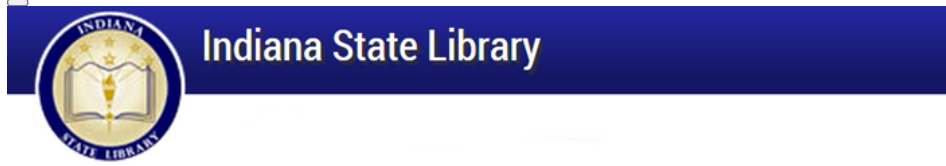


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Indiana library jobs



This week's new Indiana library jobs

[Senior Youth Librarian](#)
Allen County Public Library

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[Neighborhood Branch Manager](#)
Indianapolis Public Library

[Community Engagement Specialist](#)
Mishawaka-Penn-Harris Public Library

[Youth Services Teen Specialist](#)
Mishawaka-Penn-Harris Public Library

November Lunch and Learn census program at the Indiana State Library announced



The next installment of the Indiana State Library's Lunch and Learn series will take place in person in the library's History Reference Room on Thursday, Nov. 7 from 12-1 p.m.

"Early Census Questionnaires 1790 to 1860" presented by Katie Springer, data and GIS librarian at the Indiana State Library, will answer the questions "What was the meaning of the census in 1790?" and "Who was in charge and how was data collected in the early years before the Civil War?" Attendees will get a peek at questions asked in the earliest U.S. censuses and discover the history of the questionnaires.

The Lunch and Learn event is eligible for one LEU for Indiana library staff. Click [here](#) to read more and to register.

Seating is limited and the Indiana State Library encourages attendees to bring their own lunch. Parking validation will be available for attendees who park in the Senate Avenue parking garage directly across from the library and bring their ticket in for validation.

Please contact [Stephanie Asberry](#), deputy director at the Indiana State Library, with any questions about the program or the Lunch and Learn series.

Upcoming workshops and important dates

[Professional Development Roundtable](#)

When: Oct. 10, 2-3 p.m.
Where: Webinar

[Every Child Ready to Read and School Readiness in Storytime](#)

When: Oct. 11, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Where: Peabody Public Library

[New Escape Room Kits from ISL! - In-person Workshop](#)

When: Oct. 21, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Central Time
Where: Crown Point Community Library

[New Escape Room Kits from ISL! - In-person Workshop](#)

When: Oct. 23, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Where: Jennings County Public Library

[New Escape Room Kits from ISL! - In-person Workshop](#)

When: Oct. 25, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Where: Anderson Public Library

[Genealogy and Local History Fair](#)

When: Oct. 26, 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Where: Indiana State Library

[What's Up Wednesday - Video Game Collections in Libraries, Part 1: The 'Why,' 'What' and 'How' of Selection and Acquisition](#)

When: Oct. 30, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
Where: Webinar

[Every Child Ready to Read and School Readiness in Storytime](#)

When: Nov. 1, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Where: Greensburg-Decatur County Public Library

[Indiana State Library Lunch and Learn Series: Early Census](#)

[Questionnaires 1790 to 1860](#)
When: Nov. 7, 12-1 p.m.
Where: Indiana State Library

[Youth Services Leaders Virtual Roundtable](#)

[Archivist](#)

Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College

[Adult Programming Specialist](#)

St. Joseph County Public Library

[Youth Associate Librarian](#)

St. Joseph County Public Library

[Head Technical Services Librarian](#)

Tippecanoe County Public Library

[Youth Services Librarian](#)

Tippecanoe County Public Library

Those who would like their Indiana library job posting to be listed in the Wednesday Word must submit the position and its description to the Indiana State Library. Click [here](#) for submission guidelines and to submit.

In the news[ACPL, Super Shot to host flu vaccine clinics](#)

Allen County Public Library

[Allen County Public Library launches 'Open Book,' executive director to host](#)

Allen County Public Library

[Hoosier author Leah Johnson speaks at ACPL](#)

Allen County Public Library

[Library board begins process of North Christian building name change](#)

Bartholomew County Public Library

[Scouting the location: Bartholomew County's iconic public library to take center stage in new film](#)

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[Carmel Clay Public Library to hold Model Railroad Meet](#)

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[Genealogy Fair examines 'Westward Migration and Family History'](#)

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[Wikipedia conference comes to Indianapolis](#)

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[Engage with local authors at 'Meet an Author, Be an Author' event](#)

Indianapolis Public Library

[New leader for Mennonite Historical Library in Goshen](#)

Mennonite Historical Library at Goshen College

[Get ready for a spine-chilling October with Friday Night Fright Features](#)**Arts Commission announces additions to Indiana's Digital Poetry Archive**

The Indiana Arts Commission, in partnership with the Indiana State Library, has announced that the works of 28 poets have been added to the State of Indiana's poetry archive, [INverse](#).

"Celebrating and preserving the work of Indiana poets is a very worthy project and the Indiana State Library is honored to participate in this collaboration," said Jake Speer, Indiana State Librarian.

"The Indiana Arts Commission appreciates the partnership with the Indiana State Library, which allows us to preserve and showcase the work of Hoosier poets," said Miah Michaelsen, Indiana Arts Commission executive director. "The poets highlighted in the INverse Poetry Archive demonstrate the creative talent at work in Indiana."

An initiative of former Indiana Poet Laureate Adrian Matejka, INverse celebrates and preserves the diverse range of Indiana poetry for future generations of Indiana writers and readers. In five submission cycles, the INverse Poetry Archive has preserved over 470 works from Hoosier poets.

"It's humbling to read and hear the varied richness of talented contributors on the INverse Poetry Archive - continuing to illuminate Indiana's creativity through poetics that I've been witnessing through the Pop-up Indiana Chitlin Circuit during these past months," said Curtis L. Crisler, Indiana Poet Laureate.

Click [here](#) to view the poets that are now in the archive. Click [here](#) to learn more about the INverse Poetry Archive.

First Annual Family History Day Genealogy Conference scheduled for this Saturday

Family historians, genealogists and enthusiasts are invited to attend the First Annual Family History Day Genealogy Conference, taking place this

When: Nov. 7, 2-3 p.m.

Where: Webinar

[What's Up Wednesday - Engaging Your Library in Dementia Friendly Initiatives](#)

When: Nov. 13, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[Public Libraries and the Science of Reading](#)

When: Nov. 14, 2-3 p.m.

Where: Webinar

[Every Child Ready to Read and School Readiness in Storytime](#)

When: Nov. 15, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Where: West Lafayette Public Library



Welcome to the Government Information Minute. Every other week, government information librarians at the Indiana State Library cover current resources on governmental data at the state, national and international levels, all to keep the public well-informed. Follow the Indiana State Data Center on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) and feel free to leave comments and suggestions.

A well-informed right to vote

In four weeks, one day after the United States [votes for its next president](#) the country may know who will hold the office, or it may not.

During the past 25 years, there have been straightforward elections, when the electorate has known who won almost immediately, as was the case with the Barack Obama elections of [2008](#) and [2012](#), and there have been times such as [2020](#), when a bit of dust settling was necessary before Joe Biden was sworn in.

In other instances, as with the 2000 contest between [George Bush and Al Gore](#), it took the Supreme Court to decide. In [January of 2021](#), for the first time in the nation's history, it witnessed a contested transfer of power.

North Webster Community Public Library

[Syracuse Public Library hosts book sale Oct. 11](#)
Syracuse Public Library

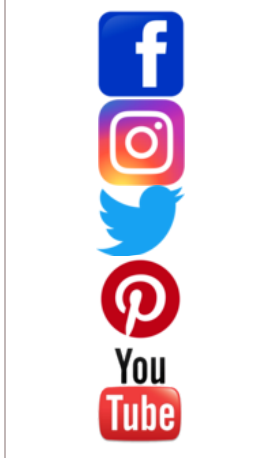
[Jonathan Nashel shares photo exhibit 'Motorbikes | Motion | Vietnam'](#)
Schurz Library at Indiana University South Bend

[Hispanic Heritage Month: stories that shape our world](#)
Warsaw Community Public Library

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State Library blog



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Indiana library employees who would like to contribute a guest blog, please send an [email](#) with an idea.

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Free training for librarians and library employees on LinkedIn Learning



Saturday, Oct. 12 from 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Hamilton East Public Library Noblesville Branch. The event, hosted by Crossroads Discovery Center at the Hamilton East Public Library, promises to be an unparalleled opportunity for individuals passionate about uncovering their family's history to connect, learn and share their experiences.

The conference will feature a range of educational sessions, engaging presentations and expert-led discussions on topics such as censuses, newspapers, DNA, cemeteries, land records and more. Historical, genealogical and lineage groups will be available to answer questions and provide more information on their work throughout the event. Attendees will have the chance to network with both historians and genealogy enthusiasts, who share their passion for family history.

The event will be headlined by Juliana Szucs, an expert in the field of genealogy research, known for their work with Ancestry.com. Additional speakers include JaKobi Burton, Indiana African American Genealogy Group; Nancy Massey, Hamilton County genealogist; Kamia Jackson, program committee chair of Indiana African American Genealogy Group; Lauren Peightel, manager of engagement at the Indiana Historical Society; Amber Oldenburg, One Branch at a Time Genealogy; and Glory-June Greiff, historian-at-large.

Attendees will leave the conference equipped with the knowledge and resources needed to continue their family history research with confidence. Whether they're just beginning to trace their ancestry or are a seasoned genealogist, this event will provide invaluable insights, tips and strategies for making the most of their research.

"The Crossroads Discovery Center staff are thrilled to offer this free genealogy conference right here at the Noblesville Library," Crossroads Discovery Center assistant manager Ann Grilliot said. "Learn from top notch speakers. Connect with fellow researchers and discover more about local history and genealogy groups. Whatever the stage of your genealogy research, just curious, starting again, or seasoned veteran, wherever your ancestors are from, you'll find new ways to uncover family history."

Click [here](#) to read session descriptions and to register.

It may be that the [nature of elections](#) has changed forever. The advent of social media, a particularly divided electorate and a growing challenge to the electoral college augur for a new way forward.

As engaged citizens, however, the country can educate itself with an array of electronic resources. The Government Printing Office's conversion of records to its digital platforms has significantly increased the amount of information available at everyone's fingertips.

Why not dive in, and exercise a well-informed right to vote?

'Know Your Rights: Immigration Benefits' webinar for librarians scheduled



On Thursday, Oct. 17 from 2-3 p.m., the Indianapolis Public Library will host "Know Your Rights: Immigration Benefits," a free online webinar for librarians and library staff.

The purpose of the program is to inform librarians and staff on a few of the various immigration benefits that are available for patrons and to help staff understand the diversity in immigrant statuses in the community.

The program is also intended for librarians to learn about the immigration resources that the Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic offers and other resources in the community. There will be time for attendees to ask questions. The intention of the program is not to encourage advising patrons on immigration matters, but to give library staff a better understanding of patrons in the community and become familiar with potential resources.

Discussion topics include U visas, temporary protected status, asylum and humanitarian parole. The discussion will be led by Angelin Fisher, director of immigrant services at the Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic.

The program is eligible for one LEU for Indiana library staff.

To register, please email [Sakura Fuqua](#), immigrant outreach program specialist at the Indianapolis Public Library. A Zoom link will be emailed to those who register.

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