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Video game collections in your library

Alexandria-Monroe Public Library Assistant Director Eric Fisher recently wrote a guest blog for the Indiana State Library in which he details many aspects of curating a video game collection for your library.

"After doing a presentation at the Indiana Library Federation (ILF) conference this this year, I thought I'd try to answer many common questions and considerations that

Upcoming workshops & important dates

Build a Better World: CSLP 2017 (Children's)
When: Jan. 10, 2017, 9:30 am - 11:00 am
Where: Alexandria-Monroe Public Library

Build a Better World: CSLP 2017 (Teen/Adult)
When: Jan. 10, 2017, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Where: Alexandria-Monroe Public Library

CSLP 2017 Webinar (Early Literacy/School Age)
When: Jan. 12, 2017, 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Where: Webinar

CSLP 2017 Webinar (Teen/Adult)
When: Jan. 12, 2017, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Where: Webinar

Build a Better World: CSLP 2017 (Children's)
When: Jan. 30, 2017, 9:30 am -

Indiana library jobs

[Administrative Specialist](#)
Butler University

To see the complete list of current openings listed on the ISL Continuing Education Jobs page click [here.](#)

In the news

[End is in sight for library construction](#)
Danville Public Library

[Library system to upgrade during new year holiday](#)
Eckhart Public Library

[Library legacy: Pages of history tell gritty story of Greenwood](#)
Greenwood Public Library

[Library to sponsor Fitness Fair](#)
Kokomo-Howard County Public Library

[After decades of journeys, Conestoga wagon ends trip at county library](#)
Switzerland County Public Library

a collection developer might face when considering circulating video games."

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Indianapolis Public Library names head of Center for African-American Literature and Culture

The Indianapolis Public Library (IndyPL) has announced the appointment of Nichelle M. Hayes as specialist to develop and lead the new Center for African-American Literature and Culture at Central Library.

Hayes began her IndyPL tenure in March of 2015 as a system-wide training librarian and for the past year has acted as a business librarian at Central Library. She also has served as a member of the library's African-American History Committee.

Funded as part of a $3.1 million grant from Lilly Endowment Inc., the Center for African-American Literature and Culture at Central Library will open in October of 2017 as a place to study the works of local African-American writers and discover the rich heritage of black authors from Indiana and beyond. It will feature an initial collection of 10,000 volumes as well as special programming, such as author visits, forums and exhibits to showcase the African-American experience. The center also will promote the activities of the African-American History Committee.

11:00 am
Where: Mooresville Public Library

[Build a Better World: CSLP 2017 (Teen/Adult)](#)
When: Jan 30. 2017, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Where: Mooresville Public Library

[CSLP 2017 Webinar (Teen/Adult)](#)
When: Feb. 7, 2017, 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Where: Webinar

[CSLP 2017 Webinar (Early Literacy/School Age)](#)
When: Feb. 7, 2017, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Where: Webinar

[Build a Better World: CSLP 2017 (Children's)](#)
When: Feb. 10, 2017, 9:30 am - 11:00 am
Where: Greensburg-Decatur Public Library

[Build a Better World: CSLP 2017 (Teen/Adult)](#)
When: Feb. 10, 2017, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Where: Greensburg-Decatur Public Library

[Build a Better World: CSLP 2017 (Children's)](#)
When: Feb. 24, 2017, 9:30 am - 11:00 am
Where: West Lafayette Public Library

[Build a Better World: CSLP 2017 (Teen/Adult)](#)
When: Feb. 24, 2017, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Where: West Lafayette Public Library

[Build a Better World: CSLP 2017 (Children's)](#)
When: Mar. 3, 2017, 9:30 am - 11:00 am
Where: Jeffersonville Township Public Library

[Build a Better World: CSLP 2017 (Teen/Adult)](#)

Is your library making news?

Email your news links for inclusion in the Wednesday Word's "In the news" section.

If you would like to be featured in the Wednesday Word, please email a press release and a photo.

State library blog

Follow the Indiana State Library's blog for weekly posts covering all aspects of the state library. Visit the blog here.

If you are a library employee and would like to contribute a guest blog, please send us an email here with your idea.

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"My goal is to combine a robust collection with interactive programming that can be a beacon to people in the community and bring them together," Hayes stated. "I'm very excited to have the opportunity to add to the library's existing offerings and to make this center the best of its kind in the nation."

The Center for African-American Literature and Culture will be located in the 3,990-square-foot Robert B. Annis West Reading Room at Central Library. Its targeted opening will correspond with the 100th anniversary celebration of Central Library.

State park passes to be sent to public libraries in early January

The Indiana State Library (ISL) and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) have agreed to extend the Annual Parks Pass Program for one more year. The passes will be sent to libraries through InfoExpress as soon as they arrive in early January.

ISL is again thrilled to partner with DNR to offer this program. ISL is purchasing one pass for each public library in every library district. Passes are limited to one pass per building and libraries may purchase additional passes

When: Mar. 3, 2017, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Where: Jeffersonville Township Public Library

CSLP 2017 Webinar (Early Literacy/School Age)
When: Mar. 8, 2017, 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Where: Webinar

CSLP 2017 Webinar (Teen/Adult)
When: Mar. 8, 2017, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Where: Webinar

Build a Better World: CSLP 2017 (Children's)
When: Mar. 13, 2017, 10:00 am - 11:30 am
Where: Bloomfield-Eastern Greene County Public Library

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When: Mar. 13, 2017, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Where: Bloomfield-Eastern Greene County Public Library

STEAM survey

Please take a moment to complete this short survey from the Indiana State Library (ISL) on behalf of your library. The survey focuses on what libraries in the state are currently doing to promote or facilitate science, technology, engineering, art and math (STEAM). The survey is open to any library in the state of Indiana. Responses will be used to create a resource list to facilitate

Indiana State Library holiday closings

The Indiana State Library (ISL) will be closed on the following days: Saturday, Dec. 31, 2016 and Monday, Jan. 2, 2017. The library is regularly closed on Sundays. InfoExpress will not be in service during holiday closings. For a complete list of 2016 and 2017 state library holiday closings, please visit ISL's Hours & Directions page here.

through the DNR site for individual branches. The passes are non-transferable and DNR is again allowing libraries exceptions for these passes.

This year, DNR would like libraries help to get direct feedback from the users of the passes. A user survey will be posted on ISL's site so that libraries may print as needed. Please send completed surveys to Wendy Knapp through InfoExpress throughout the year.

Read more about Indiana's state parks here.

information sharing and to gain feedback on current ISL professional development resources for STEAM services.

Take the survey here.

Evergreen maintenance to be performed during New Year's holiday

The Evergreen Indiana consortium will be upgrading to version 2.11 beginning at 6 p.m. EST on December 31, 2016. Full services are expected to be restored by 8 a.m. EST on January 2, 2017.

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