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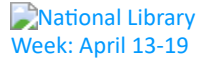
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## Online Tools Help Plan Library Week Festivities

**National Library Week**, an annual celebration of the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians, is being celebrated April 13 through 19. This year's theme, "Lives Change @ your library," is designed to promote that libraries are deeply committed to the places where their patrons live, work and study. Libraries are trusted places where everyone in the community can gather to reconnect and reengage with each other to enrich and shape the community and address local issues. The honorary chair of this year's celebration is author Judy Blum.

 **National Library Week: April 13-19**

No plans yet? No problem. The ALA provides several resources and **programming ideas** to get your National Library Month promotions off the ground. They provide a complete lineup of customizable audio and print PSAs, proclamations, sample press releases, and letters-to-the-editor available in both English and Spanish. The ALA also offers programming advice, website graphics, calendars of events, and advocacy toolkits to help raise awareness of your National Library Week activities.

You can also order "Lives Change @ your library" materials at the **ALA Store**. Promotional materials include a poster, bookmark, mini poster, and downloadable web icons and art files. However, order quickly to ensure your materials arrive by early April.

## Resources Available to Support TASC/GED Transition



TEST  
ASSESSING  
SECONDARY  
COMPLETION

As most of us know by now, Indiana recently debuted its new high school equivalency test, **Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC)**, for Indiana's 15,000 annual test takers seeking a high school equivalency credential. TASC is

aligned to the College and Career Readiness Standards over the next few years and will gradually increase in rigor to better meet industry demand. Hoosier test takers will also pay considerably less for the TASC than the GED® exam.

In order to maintain accessibility, the new exam is offered in both paper and computer-based formats, ensuring Indiana's current network of providers, including correctional facilities, will not be disrupted. It is also available in English and Spanish, as well as braille and audio versions for Hoosiers with visual impairments. Click [here](#) for a directory of official public test centers in Indiana.

There are hundreds of items about GED preparation in Indiana libraries so it may be time to update your catalog and perhaps weed related titles. Indiana libraries can begin building a TASC resource collection by ordering **TASC study guides**. The State Library is also currently working with the DWD and its INSPIRE database vendors to prepare resources for Indiana libraries, which are often at the forefront of adult education in their communities. The TASC also has several **resources for test takers** on their website.

## Nine Days Remain to Nominate Hoosier Authors for Award

## 2014 Evergreen Indiana Conference Coming April 3 & 4

**Registration** is now open to all Indiana libraries for *Discovery to Delivery V: Better Together*, a one-day resource-sharing conference sponsored by the Indiana State Library and the Academic Libraries of Indiana. The free conference will be held on April 25, 2014 from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (registration starts at 8:00 AM) at the Indianapolis Public Library's Central Library. Registration is limited to the first 200 attendees.

This year's conference will include OCLC updates from Tony Melvyn, an INfo Express Q&A Session, and updates to a new white paper on resource sharing in Indiana. Also breakout sessions will feature topics such as open access, custom holdings, and innovative resource sharing models and technologies.

## Upcoming Workshops & Important Dates

### INSPIRE Webinars from Gale

When: Now through April

Where: Live Online

### LSTA Grant Applications Due

When: March 14 @ 4:00 PM

### Indiana Black Librarians Network Spring Program

When: March 29

Where: Indianapolis Public Library: East 38th Street Branch

### Indiana Library Leadership Academy Application Due

When: April 1

### Personal Digital Archiving Conference

When: April 10 & 11

Where: Indiana State Library

### ILF District Conferences

District 2: Frankfort Comm. PL (4/4)

District 8: Winchester PL (4/8)

District 3: Huntington PL (4/10)

District 1: IU South Bend, (5/13)

### Discovery to Delivery V


When: April 25 @ 9:00 AM

Where: Indianapolis PL - Central

[New owner plans move into former C.P. Carnegie library](#)

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You have only until **Friday, March 21, 2014** to submit [nominations](#) for the sixth-annual Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana Authors Award. Any living published writer who was born in Indiana or has lived in Indiana for at least five years is eligible for nomination. A statewide panel will select a national, regional, and emerging author from nominations sent in by the public. Winning authors will each receive a cash prize ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000 and will be able to designate their hometown Indiana public library as the recipient of an additional \$2,500 grant.

On October 25, 2014, the Indianapolis Public Library Foundation will host the annual Indiana Authors Fair and honor the winning authors at an Awards Dinner at the Central Library in downtown Indianapolis. More information about this event and the nomination process is available at [indianaauthorsaward.org](http://indianaauthorsaward.org).



**IOLUG Spring Program**

When: May 16  
Where: Indiana Wesleyan University  
Indianapolis North Campus

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