
LAA NEWSLETTER

September 2023

Volunteer Opportunity

The Library of Congress is creating accessible cataloging documentation for librarians. In order to make sure that the documentation can successfully interpret MARC coding via a screen reader, the Library of Congress is seeking volunteers who regularly use screen readers to help test the documentation (approximately 1 hour per volunteer). Ideally, volunteers would be catalogers or have knowledge of cataloging; however, no experience is needed. Please email bane@wustl.edu with questions or if interested.

Changes and Updates

Stay tuned for the upcoming training series Neurodivergence in Libraries. This proposed webinar series will address much-needed changes that will prepare academic libraries to be more neuroinclusive for our neurodivergent students, staff, and faculty. Discussions will include Neuroinclusive library workplaces, neuroinclusive library programming, neuroinclusive library representation, and neuroinclusive supports. The leading partner for this series will be researchers from the Neurodivergent Initiative from the University of Washington.

An audit of the LAA testing webpages and evaluations has begun and should be completed by October.

View all our e-resource evaluations on the [Testing page](#).

Who We Are

The Library Accessibility Alliance (LAA) advocates for improving library e-resource accessibility. We are a multiconsortial organization, with each member organization contributing funding and expertise.

Our current members are:

- Big Ten Academic Alliance (BTAA)
- Association of Southeastern Research Libraries (ASERL)
- Greater Western Library Alliance (GWLA)
- Washington Research Library Consortium (WRLC)
- Ivy Plus Libraries Confederation (IPLC)
- Florida Virtual Library (FLVC)

Share a story with the newsletter: Email bane@wustl.edu.