

# From the Classroom to the Community: Social Justice in Library and Information Science

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**Michael Edson** is a strategist and thought leader at the forefront of digital transformation in the cultural sector. He has worked on numerous award-winning projects and has been involved in practically every aspect of technology and new media in museums including the development of the Smithsonian's first Web and New Media Strategy; the Smithsonian's first blog, Eye Level; and the first alternative reality game to take place in a museum, Ghosts of a Chance. Michael is a Presidential Distinguished Fellow at the Council on Libraries and Information Resources (USA), and he serves on the Open Knowledge Foundation's OpenGLAM advisory board. Michael was a member of the National Endowment for the Arts "Art Works" task force, which mapped the relationship between the arts and the quality of life in American communities; he is an O'Reilly Foo Camp alumni; and he was named a "Tech Titan: person to watch" by Washingtonian magazine.

**Keynote Speaker**



**Marybeth Zeman** was a *Laura Bush 21<sup>st</sup> Century Museum and Library Scholarship* recipient and received her MLIS in Library and Information Science from St. John's University in 2009. An educator for more than 30 years, Marybeth has always been passionate about books and writing—her own and her students. She added a new "fire" to her career when she became transitional counselor at the Nassau County jail. Little did she realize that she would be creating a jail school library. Nicholas Kristof of *The New York Times* described her as "the 'book-lady' who brought books to the jail and used them to try to build kids up again."

**Guest Speaker**



## Student Presenters

**Brian Awgul**

BA 2014: "SJU & SJDHS Partnership in Technology: St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School Websites"

**Elizabeth Beneke**

BS 2012, MS LIS 2015: "Harris Collection: Representing the Theater Industry in Manhattan"

**Lisa Borten**

BA 2007, MS LIS 2015: "Harris Collection: Representing the Theater Industry in Manhattan"

**Eileen Brennan**

BA/MA 2011, MA/MLS 2013: "Biography of Mr. Harris"

**Alana Coulum**

BA 2014: "The Museum at the New York Historical Society"

**Christa DeVirgilio**

"Comparative Analysis of three Collection Management Systems: dspace, contentdm, & advanced revelation"

**Frank Dukes**

**Christopher Elford**

BS 2012: "Staten Island Cartography"

**Giovanna Fiorino-Iannace**

BA 1988, M. Phil 1995, Ph.D. 2004: "The Technology of Art: Databases, Websites and More"

**Kanisha Greaves**

BA 2013, MS LIS 2015: "Website for the George and Ethel Martin Papers at Marymount Manhattan College"

**Lisa Ha**

BS 2009: MS LIS 2015: "Website for the George and Ethel Martin Papers at Marymount Manhattan College"

**Toni Liberty**

BA 2012, MS LIS 2015: "Website for the Niles Busch Collection at the Marymount Manhattan College Archives"

**Alexandra Mercado**

BA 2013, MS LIS 2015: "Website for the Niles Busch Collection at the Marymount Manhattan College Archives"

**Sean O'Donnell**

BA 2008, MEd 2010, MS LIS 2015: "The New York City Fire Museum" and "The Phoenix Theatre Collection: Drafting a Conceptual Blueprint, Wireframe and Decision Table"

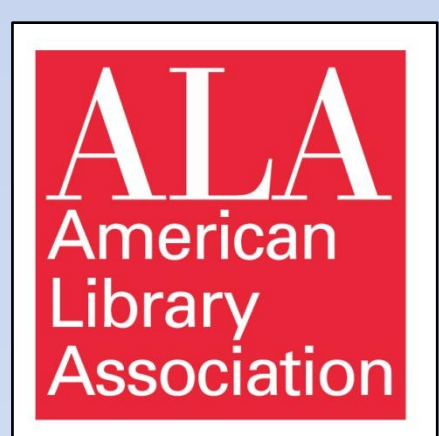
**Alma Sakic**

With contributions from **Lisa Brigandi, Yael Bronner, Matthew Cassidy, Crystal Lopez, Sarah Elizabeth Miller, Jill Moretto, Roseann Podias, Bernadette Regina, Alexis Stone, Joann White** and **Liza Young**



## Meet the Professional Organizations of New York

New York City has a vibrant and active library community with professional organizations for law, medical, art and technical services librarians, to name a few. Representatives from several organizations will talk briefly about member benefits, events and ways to get involved, and will be available to chat during lunch.



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