The Oxford American Dictionary chose "podcast" as the Word of the Year in 2005 but many librarians remain unfamiliar with podcasting and what it can do for them. For such an intensely text-based profession, that may not be surprising. But podcasting is continuing to grow, with tens of thousands of podcasts now available. Interest in podcasting is generating everything from conferences with thousands of attendees to informal "meetups" in dozens of cities across the country.

This will be a practical, hands-on workshop on the basic techniques of audio podcasting. The instructors will discuss and demonstrate a variety of hardware and software tools for producing podcasts. Topics will cover recording and editing audio, hosting services, syndication using RSS, and creative ways to use podcasting in library work. Participants will take part in a live, on-site recording of an episode of the Check This Out! podcast, as well as share ideas and critiques for developing their own library podcasts.

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