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AALL Announces 2014 Leadership Academy Participants

Chicago 2/25/2014—The American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) has selected the participants for its 2014 Leadership Academy.

Designed as an intensive learning experience for law librarians in the early stages of their career, the Leadership Academy helps participants build a personal leadership style while networking with other legal information professionals.

Past participants have found the Academy has helped them improve communication, goal-setting and management skills and interaction within their work environment.

“Sharing successes and challenges with someone outside my four walls gave me an opportunity to think differently about what I do, the importance of my work and profession,” said 2011 Leadership Academy participant Joyce McCray Pearson, director, Wheat Law Library, the University of Kansas School of Law. “I know that I am a better librarian, manager, and colleague because of the experience.”

The academy, to be held April 4-5 in Chicago, will feature two sought-after leadership speakers, Gail Johnson and Pam Parr.

Both have extensive experience conducting leadership programs for library organizations; their sessions at the American Library Association and Public Library Association have been a draw for more than five years. Johnson and Parr also recently facilitated education sessions at the AALL Annual Meeting in Seattle on leadership, workplace behavior and motivating staff.

The 2014 Leadership Academy class includes:

- Valerie Aggerbeck, Research Librarian, University of St. Thomas
- Kristina Alayan, Foreign & International Law Librarian, Duke University School of Law
- Benjamin Almoite, Librarian, Virginia State Law Library
- Margaret Bartlett, Information Services Specialist, Locke Lord LLP
- Patrick Butler, Electronic Resources and Reference Librarian, University of Connecticut Law Library
- Eugenia Charles-Newton, Faculty Services Librarian, Texas Tech University Law Library
- Ashley Krenelka Chase, Emerging Technologies Librarian Administrator, Stetson University College of Law



- Philippe Cloutier, Librarian, Lane Powell PC
- Erika Cohn, Reference Librarian and Assistant Professor of Legal Research, Saint Louis University
- Kathryn Crandall, Research and Instructional Technology Librarian, Florida State University
- Irene Crisci, Head of Public Services, Touro College Gould Law Library
- Catherine Deane, International Law Research Librarian/Lecturer in Law, Vanderbilt University
- Susan DeMaine, Research & Instructional Services Librarian, Indiana University School of Law
- Michelle Hook Dewey, Reference Librarian & Assistant Professor of Library Services, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana
- Patricia Dickerson, Student Services & Reference Librarian, North Carolina Central University Law Library
- Emily Gellings, Research Specialist, Reinhart, Boerner, Van Deuren, S.C.
- Leslie Greenwood, Law Librarian, Ramsey County Law Library
- Hilary Hardcastle, Reference Librarian, University of California
- Stephanie Hayes, Research/Instructional Technology Librarian, Florida State University
- Kate Irwin-Smiler, Reference Librarian, Wake Forest University
- Alicia Jones, Reference Librarian, Southern Illinois University Law Library
- Michele Knapp, Reference & ILL Librarian, University of San Diego Legal Research Center
- Diana Koppang, Senior Reference Librarian, Neal, Gerber & Eisenberg LLP
- Julie Graves Krishnaswami, Head of Instruction, Yale Law School Lillian Goldman Library
- Catherine Ann Lemmer, Head of Information Services, Indiana University School of Law
- Ellen Richardson, Legal Information and Emerging Technology Librarian, Boston University
- Jacob Sayward, Head of Electronic Services, Fordham University School of Law
- Debbie Shrager, Reference and Outreach Services Librarian, George Mason University Law Library
- Beau Steenken, Instructional Services Librarian, University of Kentucky Law Library
- Rebecca Velez, Library Assistant, Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart, P.C.
- Carla Wale, Reference Librarian, Georgetown University Law Library
- Fang Wang, Reference and Special Collection Services Librarian, St. Mary's University School of Law
- Lisa Winkler, Librarian, Dane County Legal Resource Center
- Andrew Winston, Research & Instructional Services Librarian, University of Richmond Law Library



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For more information on AALL and the upcoming Leadership Academy, please visit <http://www.aallnet.org/main-menu/education/leadership-academy>.

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