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MAKE YOURSELF A PRIORITY IN 2023

As we start the new year, it is time to plan out your goals. What new skills would you like to learn? What professional development programs are you hoping to attend? Whether you want to learn leadership and management skills or author your first article, AALL has resources to help you on your journey. Participate in a [coffee chat](#) or [register for a webinar](#), take one of AALL's [self-paced courses](#), or apply for a [grant](#) or [scholarship](#). Whatever you are hoping to accomplish in the coming year, make professional development a focus and put *you* first.

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AALL UPDATES

KICK OFF THE NEW YEAR BY GIFTING AN AALL MEMBERSHIP TO SOMEONE YOU KNOW

The holidays may be over, but it is not too late to give a colleague or student the gift of AALL Membership to start 2023 off right! By giving the gift of membership, you will be ensuring that your peers do not miss out on opportunities and valuable resources that will support and enrich their careers.

AALL membership dues are now prorated—\$140.50 for individual members and \$35 for full-time students and retirees (verification required). Memberships will be valid through May 31, 2023. If you purchase a membership for someone before January 9, 2023, you will automatically be entered into a raffle to win a gift from AALL.

Please send the giftee's contact information to csiwa@aall.org and we will generate an invoice and contact you for payment. If you have any questions, please reach out csiwa@aall.org.

RECOMMEND A COLLEAGUE FOR A 2023 AALL AWARD / DEADLINE IS MARCH 1

Leadership, innovation, and excellence play a vital role within the law librarianship profession. The [AALL Awards](#) publicly recognize exemplary individuals who have made a lasting impact on the profession. This is your opportunity to honor a deserving colleague or nominate yourself. Recipients are selected by the committees/award juries and will be recognized this summer at the [2023 AALL Annual Meeting & Conference](#) in Boston.

The deadline for nominations is March 1, 2023. Applications may be found on the individual award pages.

[LEARN MORE ABOUT AALL AWARDS](#)

AALL NEW VOICES / SHARE YOUR POST BY JANUARY 13

Kick off the new year by contributing to [AALL's New Voices](#), and share your story and expertise. Whether

you recently joined AALL or are a longtime member aiming to become more involved in the Association, AALL is looking for your insights on any aspect of law librarianship.

Possible subjects include a legal interest of your choice, favorite resource, go-to stressbusters, starting a new role, leadership tips, and diversity, equity, and inclusion. Submissions should be about 100-600 words. If you're interested in being involved in the next round, please share your post with [Heather Haemker](#), director of marketing & communications, with the subject line "New Voices Project" by **5:00 p.m. (CST) on January 13, 2023**.

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

UPCOMING COFFEE CHATS & WEBINARS

AALL has several exciting coffee chats and webinars coming up next year, including the January 24 [Virtual Coffee Chat: Thinking Out Loud: Putting Your Writing \(and Other Content\) on the Web](#)," from **3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CST)**. Visit [AALL eLearning](#) to stay up to date on future topics and to register.

Is there a topic you want covered in an AALL webinar? Please submit the [webinar proposal form](#) or email elearning@aall.org. If you have any ideas or topics for a future coffee chat, please email Ashley Laverty at alaverty@aall.org.

AALL GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

AALL/BLOOMBERG LAW CONTINUING EDUCATION GRANT / DUE MAY 15

Does your chapter, special interest section, committee, or caucus have an educational event that needs funding? If so, consider applying for an [AALL/Bloomberg Law Continuing Education Grant](#). Grant requests are accepted at various times throughout the year. **The next deadline for grant applications is May 15, 2023.**

APPLY FOR AN AALL SCHOLARSHIP OR SHARE WITH A FRIEND OR COLLEAGUE

AALL is committed to providing opportunities for your professional growth. Each year, the Association awards thousands of dollars in [scholarships](#) to law school and library school students as well as to AALL members. The following scholarships are now open for applications:

- Library School Scholarships (for those with or without JDs)
- Law School Scholarships (for those with MLS/MLIS and those seeking dual JD/MLIS)
- Scholarships for Library School Graduates Seeking a Non-Law Degree
- LexisNexis John R. Johnson Memorial Scholarship
- George A. Strait Minority Scholarship & Fellowship
- Marcia J. Koslov Scholarship for members to attend continuing education programs for state, court, or county law librarians

The deadline for applications is April 1, 2023. For additional questions, please contact AALL at membership@aall.org.

COMMUNITY CORNER

UPCOMING SIS WEBINARS

Several of AALL's special interest sections (SISs) feature webinars every month that are open to all AALL members. Be sure to visit the [AALL Calendar of Events](#) page to stay up to date on future topics and to register. Upcoming webinars next year include the February 21 ALL-SIS webinar "[Improving Access to Our Collections with Alternative Controlled Vocabularies](#)."

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