Conference List 2016/2017

Library Conferences

PA Forward Information Literacy Summit - July 21, 2016; State College, Pennsylvania
IFLA – World Library and Information Congress - August 13-19, 2016; Columbus, Ohio,
Pennsylvania Library Association Conference – October 15-18, 2016; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Maryland Association of School Librarians – October 21, 2016; Hagerstown, MD
Virginia Library Conference – October 26-28, 2016; Richmond, Virginia
ASRL Conference - October 27-29, 2016; Fargo, North Dakota
New Jersey Library Association Conference – April 24-26, 2017; Atlantic City, New Jersey
Computers in Libraries – March 28-30, 2017; Crystal City, VA (near Washington, DC)
MLA/DLA – May 10-12, 2017; Cambridge, Maryland
Digipalooza - August 2-4, 2017; Cleveland, Ohio

List of National/International Library Conferences – The librarian's 1-stop resource for library conference planning.

Non-Library Conferences

😊 indicates very positive feedback by those who have attended it in the past and conferences that are often attended

WorldFuture – July 22-24, 2016; Washington, DC
World Future Society conference event. The theme this year is Make the Future! Futurists don't just report on the future; they help create it by shaping how individuals, communities, firms and nations see the world and its potential. This year we link the dynamism of foresight to the energy of makers and other entrepreneurs creating the future today.

Maryland Nonprofits Conference - September 29, 2016; Baltimore, MD
Maryland Nonprofits’ 23rd annual conference, Celebrating Success – Inspiring Innovation, will bring best practices to life and help you become a pioneer in your field. Attend to find simple and innovative pathways to make your job easier, learn about organizations that are using best practices as a foundation to innovate, and meet 350+ really cool and passionate people!

Baltimore Innovation Week - September 23-October 1, 2016; Baltimore, MD😊
Technical.ly’s fifth annual week-long celebration of technology and innovation

MicroSoft Ignite – September 26-30, 2016; Atlanta, Georgia
(Grew out of TechEd Conference). The best and brightest minds will be all in one place to talk cloud infrastructure and management, productivity, big data and the internet of things, unified communications, mobility and more. So welcome, thinkers. And get ready for a glimpse at what’s possible today and in the future.
Maryland Hispanic Business Conference - October 3, 2016; Bethesda, Maryland
The Maryland Hispanic Business Conference (MDHBC) is the leading professional event serving more than 40,000 Hispanic businesses in the DMV and surrounding areas. The MDHBC’s mission is to facilitate a professional setting that allows Hispanic businesses to expand their networks and develop business opportunities. The conference is organized in collaboration with the Hispanic Chambers of Commerce and government agencies that support the State’s vibrant business sector and spur economic development.

Next Economy Conference (O’Reilly) - October 10-11, 2016; San Francisco, California
Tomorrow will be unlike yesterday! Technology is transforming every aspect of work; it’s changing not just how we get things done but also the kinds of things we can do. Business leaders must anticipate and embrace the future or be left chasing it. At Next:Economy we delve into new business models, customer experiences, and organizational structures enabled by networks, on-demand platforms, and AI. And we’ll explore how to best enable and empower workers in a world where every service is infused with technology.

Families Learning Summit 2016 – October 17, 2016; Detroit, Michigan
National Center for Families Learning is offering an opportunity to learn from leading educators, researchers, and community leaders who are proven experts in and dedicated to two-generation approaches. NCFL’s Families Learning Summit regularly draws the nation’s most progressive teachers, administrators, community leaders, researchers, and policy makers committed to families learning together.

PopTech 2016 - October 20-22, 2016; Camden, Maine
PopTech brings together a global community of innovators from many fields to share insights and work together to create lasting change.

Learning 2016 - October 23-26, 2016; Orlando, Florida
"Learning 2016 will be filled with hundreds of activity choices for you and your colleagues. Engagement is our design model! Together, with over 2,000 learning colleagues from around the globe, we will focus on the changing, evolving and increasingly disruptive shifts in the world of workplace and workforce learning.” - Elliott Masie, Host & Curator. This event is convened by Elliott Masie. Elliott is a provocative, engaging and entertaining futurist, analyst and speaker - focused on the changing world of the workplace, learning and technology. Over 1,800 people attended this conference last year, representing business, government, and academic interests.

TED Women 2016 – October 26-28, 2016; San Francisco, California
TEDWomen is a three-day conference about the power of women and girls to be creators and change-makers. The program of speakers, workshops, events — and daring discussions — has sparked some of TED’s most iconic moments yet.

The Economist - Future Works - November 1, 2016; Chicago, Illinois
The global economy is in the midst of the Fourth Industrial Revolution. Technological innovation and globalization are combining to produce big and rapid change, which is starting to transform
every aspect of how economies and the businesses within them work. Nowhere is this change likely to be experienced more acutely than in the workplace. New skills will be needed, and some existing skills will become redundant. Robots will replace workers in some places, and become valuable colleagues in others.

Baltimore Business Journal Business Growth Expo - November 3, 2016; Baltimore, MD
Grow your business at Baltimore Business Journal's Business Growth Expo. Each year our expo draws 600+ C-level executives, business owners and local business professionals and we invite you to join us!

Trend Watching- Consumer Trends - 2016 - November 10, 2016; Chicago, Illinois
Already pushing the boundaries of innovation, but want to take it to the next level? We’ll be at Morgan Manufacturing in Chicago for a mind-expanding, connection-making day packed with the very best trends and innovations. We’ll dive deep into how the world’s most innovative organizations are using trends to turn challenges into killer opportunities so you’ll leave knowing exactly how to capture the hearts – and wallets – of the new consumer. Get ready for the event that will move you from trend-thinking to trend-action!

Consumer Electronics Show - January 5-8, 2017; Las Vegas, Nevada 😊
An internationally renowned consumer electronics and technology trade show, attracting major companies and industry professionals worldwide. It's where business gets done: on the show floor, in and around our conference program, in impromptu connections and in planned meetings and special events.

SXSW Interactive – March 10-19, 2017; Austin, Texas
An incubator of cutting-edge technologies and digital creativity. From hands-on training to big-picture analysis of the future, SXSW Interactive has become the place to preview the technology of tomorrow today.

Non-profit Technology Conference - March 23-25, 2017; Washington, DC
With over 100 educational sessions, an exhibit hall highlighting the latest nonprofit products and services, and networking events each day, the NTC is an event that cannot be missed!

Museums and the Web 2017 – April 19-22, 2017; Cleveland, Ohio
This is an annual conference featuring advanced research and exemplary applications of digital practice for cultural, natural and scientific heritage. All kinds of people from around the world come to Museums and the Web. You will find webmasters, educators, curators, librarians, designers, managers, directors, scholars, consultants, programmers, analysts, publishers and developers from museums, galleries, libraries, science centers, and archives – as well as the companies, foundations and governments that support them – at Museums and the Web every year.
**Gel Conference 2017** should be held in April in New York City, NY 😊
The Gel conference is an annual gathering of experience leaders and designers from around the world. Gel connects attendees to the visionaries who are creating good experiences.

**Interactivity 2017 – May 2-5, 2017; Pasadena, California**
Association of Children’s Museums conference event.

**Common Ground 2017 - May 4-5, 2017; Ocean City, Maryland**
Learn. Grow. Share. Join approximately 1,200 education colleagues from across the state and surrounding areas for the fifth annual Common Ground, Maryland’s top professional development event of the year. Thought-provoking speakers, hundreds of inspiring sessions, and demonstrations of the latest products and services will provide you the 21st century know-how you need.

**Leadercast 2017 - May 5, 2017; Host Sites in Maryland**
Click on “Host Sites in Maryland” above for the list of locations. Purpose is what defines us, drives us, and empowers us.
What does it mean to be powered by purpose? To be part of a purpose-driven organization? To work with a team of people who understand the meaning in addition to the metrics? To recognize that why you do what you do matters as much or more as what you do. Where defined values drive a strong culture and intentional leadership inspires amazing results.

**FEI 2017 (Front End of Innovation) – May 9-11, 2017; Boston, Massachusetts**
Don't just talk about innovation – experience it. This conference is in its 15th year.

**Book Expo America 2017 – May 31-June 2, 2017; New York City, NY 😊**
BookExpo America (BEA) is the #1 book and author event that offers the book industry access to new titles, authors, and education about the publishing industry. BEA is the best place to discover new titles and upcoming books and meet face-to-face with favorite and up-and-coming authors. It is a dynamic environment for networking, sourcing, and relationship building in the publishing industry in North America.

**Work Human - June 30-June 1, 2017; Arizona 😊**
The mission of the WorkHuman movement is to galvanize organizations and leaders worldwide to create a more human workplace. This movement culminates annually at the WorkHuman conference, powered by Globoforce, which brings together the brightest stars in our growing community of human-focused organizations, scholars, and thinkers. We believe that when companies harness the transformative power of human connections and well-being, we build a work culture that both reminds us of our worth as individuals, and pulls us together in pursuit of shared success.

**Artificial Intelligence Conference (O'Reilly) - September 26-27, 2017; New York City, NY**
Learn how to implement AI in real projects. Delve into the latest research. Anticipate how AI will change the business landscape. Uncover AI's limitations and untapped opportunities. The brightest minds in AI will gather in New York to explore what the future holds for AI--and how to get there from here.

**Conference Resource Sites** - The sites below provide conferences on specific topics like: General Inspiration; Customer Service; Design; Marketing; IT; User Experience; Media, Publishing, Writing; Women, as well as local conferences

*50 Best Conferences to Attend This Year* (by The Muse.com)

*Economist Conferences*

*Forbes Summit Group*

*O'Reilly Media Conferences*

*MIT Industry Conferences*

*The Harwood Institute*

*American Institute of CPAs*

*More Maryland Event Resources -*

*Maryland Performance Excellence Awards*

*Maryland Economic Development Association*