



ACRL/NY 2020 Annual Symposium

Civic Engagement: Democracy and the Library

December 4, 2020

Virtual Symposium

CALL FOR PROPOSALS: POSTER LIGHTNING ROUND

For this year's ACRL/NY Symposium, we are seeking proposals for a **Poster Lightning Round** about the intersection of libraries and research institutions with civics, governance, and democracy. How are civic issues impacting collections and services? How do libraries foster engagement with civic issues and the democratic process throughout the community? How do ideas of “library neutrality” affect how we engage with these issues? We welcome proposals from all positions of library staff.

Potential perspectives include but are not limited to:

Diverse voices: participation of diverse groups in decision making and programming

Ethical Leadership: explorations of **institutional authority** and power dynamics, formal and informal practices of good governance and resistance

Public Services, Outreach, and Instruction: library programming, creative partnerships in and outside the institution, information literacy

Acquisitions/Collection Development: new and interesting collections meant to encourage civic discussion and activism, purchasing issues, resources sharing

Technical Services and Access: authority control and the algorithmic impact of information retrieval, scholarly communications, artificial intelligence

Format: The ACRL/NY 2020 Symposium will be held completely virtually. We are seeking 5-7 minute poster presentations. We are open to a mixture of presentation types and formats.

Selections will be done by a blind review; please do not include any identifying information in your abstract. Proposals must be submitted by October 31, 2020. Presenters will be notified by Monday, November 9th.

Poster proposals can be submitted using this form: <https://acrlny2020symposium.wordpress.com/posters/>

Questions regarding submitting posters can be sent to mclements2@mercy.edu

Questions regarding submitting or about the Symposium, in general, can be sent to acrlnysymposiumchair@gmail.com

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