

AmigosNow

News Digest from Amigos Library Services

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Member News

A Message from Amigos President & CEO Miguel Figueroa

This month, we are looking forward to hosting our first online conference of this membership year, [Examining the Library User Experience](#) (October 16). This conference, free for all staff at our member libraries, includes experts from coast to coast – our opening keynote will feature Amy Martin, a former public librarian now working for San Francisco’s Digital and Data Services, and our closing keynote will feature Steven Bell, Associate University Librarian at Temple University Libraries in Philadelphia. Innovations from our own member libraries are featured in several concurrent sessions, including presenters from Arkansas Technical University, Irving Public Library, Metropolitan Library System, and Tulsa Community College.

Throughout this Fall, I’ve enjoyed visits at the [Texas Council of Academic Libraries Annual Conference](#) and [Missouri Library Association Annual Conference](#) – and I’m looking forward to the [Arizona Library Association Annual Conference](#) next week (October 16 – 18). Please reach out at membership@amigos.org or email me directly at figueroa@amigos.org to talk about how Amigos can partner with your library.

Member Benefits News

Apply for the Amigos ER&L Award

As part of its focus on libraries and library staff, Amigos Library Services (Amigos) is [funding registration for three people](#) to attend the online aspect of the ER&L 20th Annual Library Conference. [Applications are due November 14, 2024.](#)

Amigos supports organizational development and individual growth by providing learning opportunities and sharing essential changes in the profession. Award applications will be reviewed and awarded based on membership in Amigos, first-time attendees, and the submission date/time of the award application.

Amigos will grant three awards, each to a staff member from a different member library. Each award includes one complimentary registration to the [2025 ER&L Online Conference](#).

Conference News

Register by October 14 for "Examining the Library User Experience". Free for members!

[Register today](#) to [explore ways libraries can improve the overall experience](#) of their virtual or physical space at the October 16 online conference *Examining the Library User Experience*. Following the keynote from Amy Martin, attendees have choices of sessions on UX testing, UX surveying, design thinking, and more. Registration for the live event closes October 14, 2024.

This conference along with all Amigos online topical conferences, Know & Go sessions, and Community Conversations are [free to Amigos members](#).

Member Discount News

Nexis Uni Training Available in October at No-Charge

[Register today](#) to attend the 1p.m. CST *Nexis Uni-Unrivaled Data Sources for Academic Research* session on October 23, 2024. Designed to provide more [in-depth training](#) on Nexis Uni, the session will also cover new enhancements.

New Collections and Special Member Discount with Bloomsbury

Bloomsbury has launched several new collections this summer, with more coming this fall. Amigos members can save an extra 10% on several collections through October 31st, 2024. Learn more [here](#).

Member Job Bank

Need Help Finding Qualified Candidates for Library Job Openings?

Amigos member libraries can post their openings for **FREE!** Postings remain in our job bank for thirty days and are shared to Amigos social media. [Current Job Listings](#)

Webinars & Demos

[Current Webinar and Demo Listings](#)

Continuing Education News

Amigos Online Learning - Free for Members

Online topical conferences, the annual member conference, Know & Go sessions, Community Conversations, and NISO member webinars are all no charge to Amigos members. [Upcoming free opportunities include:](#)

- [Examining the Library User Experience](#)
- [Know & Go: Tips for Cover Letters, Resumes, and Interviews](#)
- [Know & Go: Cemetery Searching for Genealogical and Local History Research](#)
- [Discover Hyku: Empowering Libraries with Open-Source Repository Solutions](#)
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