

PROFESSIONAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATIONS & CONFERENCES

| Name | MISSION & VALUES | Conference Date & Location | Typical Attendance |
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| American Library Association (ALA) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocacy • Information Policy • Professional & Leadership Development • Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion | June 21 – 26, 2018 New Orleans June 20 – 25, 2019 Washington, DC | 20, 000+ |
| Association of Rural & Small Libraries (ARSL) | Resources and support that empower those in small and rural libraries to deliver excellent service for their communities | Sept. 13 – 15, 2018 Springfield, IL 2019 New England 2020 Kansas | 500 - 600 |
| Kansas Library Association (KLA) | The common bond, public voice, and collective power for the Kansas library community | Oct. 24 – 26, 2018 Wichita; joint conference with MPLA | 700 – 800 |
| Mountain-Plains Library Association (MPLA) | A twelve-state association of librarians, library paraprofessionals, and friends of libraries in Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming. Its purpose is to promote the development of librarians and libraries by providing significant educational and networking opportunities. | Joint conference with Kansas: Oct. 24 – 26, 2018 | Varies with location |
| Public Library Association (PLA): a division of ALA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus its efforts on serving the needs of its members • Address issues which affect public libraries • Commit to quality public library services that benefit the general public | March 20 – 24, 2018 Philadelphia Feb. 25 – 29, 2020 Nashville | 8000 - 9000 |