

Learn with LiRN 2025

Oct 23 – 24, 2025

DoubleTree Hotel, 108 Chestnut Street Toronto Ballroom – 2nd Fl.

Hilton Honours Meeting Room WIFI: diamond

Virtual Meeting Room: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87291245090

THURSDAY	
8:00 - 9:00	Breakfast - Vendor Booths Open
9:00 – 9:45	LiRN Update: LiRN's new Strategic Plan, new Stats Form, LibChat update,
	Network Policies update, Intro to new LiRN board members
	Theresa Leitch, Managing Director & Vicki Whitmell, Board Chair
9:45 –10:30	Staff Introductions – Icebreakers for each table, Questions to be provided.
	New Staff Introduced to the network
10:30 – 11:00	Vendor Demonstrations at Vendor Booths / Refreshment break
11:00 – 12:00	So, someone's asked you a question
	Tips for planning your research, best resources for answers and what to do
	Panel: Cynthia Simpson (Middlesex), Lee Holstead (Durham), Brenda Lauritzen
	(Carleton), Ciara Ward (Northumberland)
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch / Visit Vendor booths
1:00 – 2:00	Accessibility documents & webpages with Wendy Reynolds
	Participants will be introduced to key elements of accessible documents and
	webpages, the tools which will help them make content more accessible.
2:00 – 3:00	Thinking about Courthouse Libraries as Service with Sarah Sutherland
	As information ecosystems continue to become more complex, courthouse libraries
	are uniquely positioned to create value through a "library as service" model.
3:00 - 3:30	Vendor Demonstrations at Vendor Booths / Refreshment Break
3:30 – 4:30	GL: Library System Update: What's New and What's Coming
	GL to provide an overview of their new system. They will wrap up with a Q&A session
	to discover how these updates can benefit your library Olcay Atacan, Great Library
	as well as a Discussion about Circulation Modules
4:30 - 5:00	CALL's new Al working group report
	Presented Annette Demers, U of Windsor and LiRN Board member
5:00 – 5:30	Vendor Demonstrations at Vendor Booths
	Vendors booths close at 5:30
FRIDAY	
8:00 – 8:30	Breakfast
8:15 – 9:30	OCLA Meeting – Closed meeting for OCLA members only
9:30 – 10:45	AI – How law firms are using AI and how to help lawyers who want to use it
	– Katie Sharp of Alexi
10:45 – 11:00	Refreshment break
11:00 –12:00	Beth Beattie, author of the <i>The Right to Be Silent &</i> Panel, Michael Ferguson, &
	Courtney Wilson will discuss mental health challenges.
12:00 – 1:00	LiRN Closing Remarks during Lunch