

05-2025 Director's Report

Staffing:

- Interviews for the Sr. Librarian position took place on Thursday, May 1.
- I should be able to let you know at the meeting who was promoted
- This is a lead position and will be the lead when there is not a manager in the building. They do not supervise, but can oversee operations
- With just manager and the director left, the Sr Librarian will be the person in charge and lead the team on Saturdays and evenings when there isn't anyone from management in the library

Awards:

- The Springfield Alliance for Equity & Respect (SAfER) was awarded to Mindy Linder, Community Engagement Specialist and Maddi McGraw, Museum Curator at the Huerta/Chavez Celebration at Hamlin Middle School on April 17. The award was given for their work on the ILLUMINATION Project.
 - You can see more information on the Museum FB page:
<https://www.facebook.com/SpringfieldMuseum>
- Latino Liaison Librarian Kristen Cure was awarded the Oregon Library Association (OLA) President's Accomplice Award. Kristen was recognized by OLA President Ayn Reyes Frazee for being a true accomplice to her BIPOC colleagues through her work, words, and actions.
 - The award was presented at the OLA Conference, appropriately titled "Libraries Navigating Change," which was held in Eugene this year. Most of the SPL staff were able to attend at least one day.
 - You can see about the award at the Library's FB page:
<https://www.facebook.com/springfieldpubliclibrary/>

Budget Meetings:

- Budget meetings will be May 12-14, 5:30-8pm in the LMR or virtually.

Programming:

- On April 21 the 2024-25 ILLUMINATION Story Collection Team supported by Community Engagement Specialist, Mindy Linder helped to host a full day of classes focused on Native culture at Thurston High School.
 - The event was led by the Native American Student Union (NASU) of Springfield and included support from Indigenous organizations across the region.
- Día de los Niños/Día de los Libros was a huge success on April 25.
 - It was held at Guy Lee Elementary for the 3rd year

- The library had a table to for information and to make library cards and a table give away books in Spanish and in English. 401 books given away, 302 of those were in Spanish.
- There were approximately 566 people in attendance.