

ALAO PRECONFERENCE

October 25, 2012
12:00-4:00

Roberts Centre
Wilmington, Ohio

11:00-12:00

Registration & check-in

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Noon-12:45

Lunch for Preconferences
Ballroom C

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1:00-4:00

Participatory Librarianship
Hamilton Rooms

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Registration including lunch
\$60

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Please join us for an exciting ALAO preconference!

Participatory Librarianship: Shaping Conversations to Advocate the Impact of Our Academic Libraries

AN INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP FACILITATED BY BUFFY HAMILTON, THE UNQUIET LIBRARIAN

How can academic libraries use participatory practices to impact their own academic communities? How can we spark, encourage, and sustain conversations for learning, as well as build rich, meaningful community engagement? Together, through small and whole group conversations, we will examine existing effective practices and strategies. We will brainstorm new possibilities for elevating the role of the library to an integral affinity space that cultivates and nurtures the evolving needs of our higher education communities.

Our facilitator Buffy Hamilton will lead small groups in interactive conversations about maximizing and communicating value by framing our services and programming through a lens of participatory librarianship. We will follow the World Café methodology, which promises a fun, visually rich, stimulating workshop, with plenty of exciting take-aways from the shared energy and collective wisdom of our colleagues.

ABOUT BUFFY HAMILTON



Buffy Hamilton is the librarian at Creekview High School in Canton, Georgia. A 20 year veteran educator, Hamilton's research and practitioner interests include participatory learning and culture, ethnographic studies, digital composition, critical pedagogy, and social scholarship.

Hamilton is a 2011 Library Journal Mover and Shaker, a 2011 winner of the (ALA) Office for Information Technology Policy (OITP) Cutting Edge Library Service Award, the 2010 Georgia Library Media Specialist of the Year, and a 2010 National School Boards Association Technology Leadership Network "20 to Watch". She blogs at [The Unquiet Librarian](http://TheUnquietLibrarian.com), winner of the 2011 Salem Press Best School Library Blog Award.

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ABOUT THE WORLD CAFÉ PROCESS

This promises to be a fun, energizing, interactive workshop!

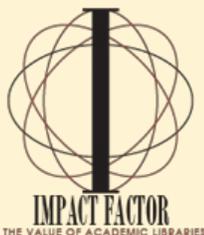
- Buffy Hamilton will kick off the workshop with a plenary discussion.
- We will participate in small conversation clusters at café tables to explore a particular question.
- Participants seated at nearby tables will be exploring similar questions at the same time.
- As we talk, we can write, doodle or draw key inspirations on the café tabletops to keep the creativity flowing & capture our ideas.
- After an initial round of conversation we will all change tables, building and expanding our shared ideas through several rounds of conversation.
- Buffy Hamilton will guide us to synthesize and harvest the cross-pollinated ideas at the end of the day.

ALA 2012 Midwinter hosted a World Café session, “Empowering Voices.” To get a clearer idea of the World Café process, check out [ALA Midwinter](#) images.

MORE

Concurrent Preconference 10/25/12

[“What Faculty want from Publishers, Libraries and the Open Access Movement”](#)



Join us for ALAO Evening Social after Preconferences!
7PM—9 PM Munchies and Cash Bar

ALAO Annual Conference 10/26/12

[Impact Factor: The Value of Academic Libraries](#)

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