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Vice-Chair / Chair-Elect (3 year term)

Mary Ann Cullen

An academic librarian since 2005, Mary Ann Cullen is a member of the American Library Association (ALA), Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL), and the Georgia Library Association (GLA), where she is currently secretary of the Distance Learning Interest Group. Mary Ann serves as associate department head of Georgia State University Library’s Alpharetta campus, where she has worked since 2010. Mary Ann also coordinates library services for Perimeter College’s online campus. She earned a master of science in library studies from Florida State University and a master of science in psychology from the University of Georgia.

Chris Sharpe

Chris Sharpe is the assistant director of access services at the Kennesaw State University (KSU) Library System. He has been at KSU for almost fourteen years and previously worked as the instructional services coordinator and government documents librarian.

Chris has served in officer positions in the Georgia Library Association’s Interlibrary Loan and Government Information Interest Groups as well as served as program chair for the 2015 GaCOMO conference. He was also the president of the Atlanta Area Bibliographic Group (AABIG) from 2015–2016.

Carol Stanley

Carol Stanley has been active in GLA for over twenty years. She has served the organization as president (2010), treasurer (2005–2007), 2nd vice president for membership (2004), and on various committees. She looks forward to the opportunity to become more involved in the Academic Library Division. She is a member of the Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL). Carol has been the director of library services at Athens Technical College since 2011 and has been a librarian there since 1995. She was previously the catalog librarian at Queens College (now university) in Charlotte from 1989–1994. She obtained her MLS from University of North Carolina at Greensboro.
Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL) Representative (3 year term)

Laura Burtle

Laura Burtle is the associate dean for scholarly communications and digital library services at the Georgia State University Library. She regularly presents at the Georgia Libraries (COMO) conference and is past chair of the Academic Library Division. She also served as the GLA webmaster and was a long-term member of the Georgia Library Quarterly editorial board.

Laura was co-convener of the ACRL University Libraries Section (ULS) Current Topics Discussion Group and chair of the ULS Procedures Committee. She has a master’s degree in library science from the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill and recently earned a JD from Georgia State University.

Elizabeth DeZouche

With almost ten years in the library profession—including eight in the academic setting—Elizabeth DeZouche is an access & instruction librarian at Thomas University.

Elizabeth is a member of the American Library Association and the Georgia Library Association but is ready to take the next step in her library career with the GLA-ACRL representative position. Elizabeth is also an active member in her local Toastmasters group.

Sofia Slutskaya

Sofia Slutskaya is a metadata strategist in the Collection Acquisitions & Management Department at the Georgia Tech Library. Over the years, she has held a variety of positions in both public and technical services at academic libraries.

Sofia currently chairs the Academic Library Division of the Georgia Library Association and is the GLA webmaster. Sofia also serves on the GLA Scholarship and Marketing and Branding Committees. She is a member of the Association of College & Research Libraries and the American Library Association as well as the Library Information Technology Association (LITA).
Secretary (1 year term)

Isabel Altamirano

Isabel Altamirano has a BSEE and BS Biology degree from the University of New Orleans and an MLIS from Louisiana State University. Before obtaining her library degree, she worked at four telecommunications companies, the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, New Orleans Public Library, New Orleans Notarial Archives, and Matas Library of the Health Sciences of Tulane Medical School in New Orleans.

Isabel’s previous librarian position was at the University of Texas at Tyler as the sciences, engineering, technology, mathematics, Spanish, and outreach librarian. She is on the following committees: ACRL/STS Science Resources: Discovery & Access Committee, and Communications Committee of Technical Report Archive & Image Library (TRAIL). She joined GLA at the 2017 ALA-Midwinter meeting in Atlanta. Since August 2016, she has worked at the Georgia Tech Library as chemistry, chemical engineering, mechanical engineering & materials sciences subject librarian. She is also the project manager for the Library Next—Graduate Student Community.

Jalesia Horton

Jalesia Horton is the access services librarian at Augusta University, Reese Library, in Augusta, Georgia. In her role, she is the department head of Access Services and conducts instruction in information literacy. Her other responsibilities include serving as the librarian liaison to the Psychology Department as well as Career Services. Jalesia received her BS in biology, with a minor in psychology, from Armstrong Atlantic State University in 2014. She has also received her master in library and information science, with a concentration in library management, from Valdosta State University this past May 2017. Her research interests include student engagement, library advocacy, and gamification.

Jennifer Price

In the academic library setting for ten years, Jennifer Price currently works as the administrative assistant for Russell Library at Georgia College & State University (GCSU). She began her library career as a technical assistant at the Georgia Military College Library. She has also worked as interlibrary loan borrowing coordinator and reference assistant at GCSU. Jennifer earned her MLIS degree from the University of South Carolina in 2013. She is excited to share her enthusiasm for professional development and diversity initiatives in academic libraries.
Robert Sarwark

Robert Sarwark is a librarian at the Art Institute of Atlanta. He holds a BA in English/creative writing from the University of Wisconsin-Madison (2006), an AM in Portuguese and Brazilian studies from Brown University (2013), and an MLIS from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign with a certificate in special collections (2016). He is originally from Chicago, Illinois and currently resides in Atlanta.

Kristi Smith

Kristi Smith is the catalog/metadata librarian at Armstrong State University’s Lane Library. She graduated from Georgia State University with a BA in journalism (School of Communications), and received her master in library and information science from the University of South Carolina. She started her career in librarianship as the children’s librarian for the Hinesville branch of Live Oak Public Libraries. She has been a member of GLA since 2013 and presently serves as secretary for the GLA New Members Round Table sub-group, Coastal Georgia Library Collaborative.

Patricia Ziebart

Patricia Ziebart is a reference & instruction librarian at Georgia State University (GSU). She also serves as instruction coordinator at the GSU Dunwoody campus. Patricia has served as the secretary of the Reference and Instruction Interest Group of the Georgia Library Association. She is also a member of the Georgia Library Association. Pat’s background is in education and religious studies. Her current interests include communication and marketing in academic libraries.