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at: <http://selaonline.org/about/OutstandingSoutheasternAuthor.pdf>

SELA Mentoring Program

The SELA Membership and Mentoring Committee is looking for individuals who are interested in participating in the SELA Mentoring Program

(<http://selaonline.org/membership/mentoring.htm>) as a mentor or mentee.

The SELA Mentoring Program was developed to assist librarians, library paraprofessionals and library science students with their library careers.

If you have any questions or are interested in becoming a mentor or mentee for the SELA Mentoring Program, please contact Hal Mendelsohn, hmendels@mail.ucf.edu, Chair of the SELA Membership and Mentoring Committee.

NON-SELA NEWS:

HBCU Library Alliance Awarded \$70,000 Mellon Foundation Grant

The Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Library Alliance announces a \$70,000 grant award from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation for the Alliance's "Preserving Our History" project. The two-year project will document and disseminate the history of the HBCU Library Alliance and highlight member success stories. This is the first grant awarded directly to the Alliance.

"We are thrilled to receive the grant, which represents a major step forward for the sustainability for the organization," said Sandra Phoenix, HBCU Library Alliance Program Director, who will serve as Project Manager. "The historical

documents will serve to spread the successful message of cooperation and collaboration not only nationally, but also internationally to developing countries."

A professional writer will be hired to document the history and accomplishments of the HBCU Library Alliance. The grant deliverables will contribute to the literature about libraries and HBCUs.

The Alliance plans to present the documents at upcoming conferences including the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) Annual Conference, providing a model of collaboration for other libraries, particularly in Africa and the Caribbean.

Seven member success stories will be featured in the project to serve as models and learning tools for the larger library community. Examples of innovative HBCU projects include a partnership between The Inez Moore Parker Archives at the James B. Duke Memorial Library at Johnson C. Smith University (NC) with the North Carolina Digital Heritage Center to make materials available online through Digital NC; and the Atlanta University Center's Woodruff Library (GA), which used HBCU Library Alliance's "The State of Libraries at HBCUs" report to gain project approval and funding for the library's first phase of renovation, completed in May 2010.

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“Unconference” Sponsored by the University of North Carolina at Greensboro

The Academic and Cultural Enrichment (ACE) Scholars at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro (UNCG) invite you to attend our unconference *Un-hushed: Speaking out About the Library and Information Science Profession (or the Really Fun Super Cool Library Conference)* Saturday, March 26, 2011 on the campus of UNCG in the Curry Building.

This isn't your library director's, professor's, or mentor's conference! Come **ENGAGE** in dialogue about current trends and issues in the profession like diversity issues, emerging technology, and library policy and **SHARE your knowledge** and experiences via table topic

discussions, informal break-out sessions. **PRESENT** posters, facilitate discussions, or moderate breakout sessions. **PLAY** games and **WIN** prizes!

We have invited Stanley Wilder of UNC-Charlotte to give a keynote address on the future of the profession.

Un-hushed: Speaking out About the Library and Information Science Profession (or the Really Fun Super Cool Library Conference) is being organized totally for LIS students by LIS students, but all other interested parties are more than welcome to attend and even participate. It will be the first ever student led initiative of its kind in the Department of Library and Information Studies at UNCG. Help us make history and help us make *Un-hushed* a success!

The conference is being held on *March 26, 2011*. While you will be able to register the day of the event please register in advance by March 18th, 2011. Registration information can be found at the [ACE Scholars Blog](#) home page. The \$15.00 registration fee covers lunch and all conference activities.

North Carolina Serials Conference

The 20th North Carolina Serials Conference, hosted by North Carolina Central University's School of Library and Information Sciences, will be held March 10, 2011 at the William and Ida Friday Continuing Education Center in Chapel Hill, NC. The deadline for Proposals had passed. This is a reminder to register and attend the Conference.

The 2011 conference theme is *“Time Flies...Exploring the Future for Serialists.”* For details, see <http://nccuslis.org/conted/conted.php>.