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Georgia Library Association Reference & Instructional Services Interest Group

The Reference & Instructional Services Interest Group (RISIG) of the Georgia Library Association has had a busy year, pandemic notwithstanding. RISIG has formalized their relationship with the Atlanta Area Bibliographic Instruction Group (AABIG), and the two groups have expanded to create GLITR, the Georgia Library Instruction, Teaching, and Reference Conference. GLITR, a grassroots group tasked with professional development for instruction librarians, has expanded to outside the perimeter and the state.

GLITR has been folded into RISIG as a committee and will continue its mission of providing an attendee-directed conference where librarians can discuss best practices in teaching information literacy. The next conference will take place virtually on June 11, 2021. The theme is Defining Our Moment, as we look back at past work and share how librarians are guiding changes for the future.



For more information, go to <https://glitr.weebly.com/>.

RISIG also started a writing group, where members can get feedback for their work, find collaborators, plan meetups, share professional development opportunities, and share their successes. Contact RISIG for more information at risig@georgialibraryassociation.org.

RISIG has also started virtual meetups for all librarians who are interested. The first meetup in March saw librarians from throughout the state come together to discuss drastic changes made during the last year, and to make plans for a more typical year in the fall. The next meetup is scheduled for May 21, 2021, from 12:00–1:00 p.m. RISIG will send an invitation to all RISIG members.

The group is seeking self-nominations from members of the Reference and Instructional Services Interest Group for vice chair/chair elect and secretary for the 2022 year. If anyone is interested in becoming more active in RISIG, consider running for one of these offices. The official call for nominations will be announced later in the year.