

FUNDING

ALA's Will Eisner Graphic Novel Grants for Libraries

The American Library Association (ALA) and the Will and Ann Eisner Family Foundation are now accepting applications for the 2019 Will Eisner Graphic Novel Grants for Libraries, which recognize libraries for their role in the growth of graphic literature. For the first time ever, the grants are **open to libraries across North America, including Canada.**

The application and information about the Will Eisner Graphic Novel Innovation Grant for Libraries can be found here. The application deadline is January 18.

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LEARNING

OCLC Research Webinar

OCLC has featured two webinars during Open Access Week. The recordings can be accessed at:

- [For the Greater \(Not\) Good \(Enough\): Open Access and Information Privilege](#) – Char Booth contrasts open access principles with the realities of a world of information haves and have-nots.
- [Works in Progress Webinar: Sustaining \(and Delivering\) "Open" at the University of Glasgow through Enlighten](#) – charting the course of supporting open access since 2002.

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Cultural Appropriation or Appreciation: How to Engage Indigenous Literatures

Friday, November 9, 2018, 10 am – 12 pm
North York Central Library, Auditorium (2nd floor)
5120 Yonge Street, Toronto M2N 5N9

On November 9 from 10 am to 12 pm, Toronto Public Library will host special guest Dr. Niigaan Sinclair, a significant voice in Indigenous studies and literature. Niigaan will examine cultural appropriation and appreciation and how to engage Indigenous literatures in the public library setting.

Niigaanwewidam James Sinclair is Anishinaabe (St. Peter's/Little Peguis) and an Assistant Professor at the University of Manitoba. He is a regular commentator on Indigenous issues on CTV, CBC, and APTN, and his written work can be found in the pages of The Exile Edition of Native Canadian Fiction and Drama, newspapers like The Guardian, and online with CBC Books: Canada Writes. Niigaan is the co-editor of the award-winning Manitowapow: Aboriginal Writings from the Land of Water (Highwater Press, 2011) and Centering Anishinaabeg Studies: Understanding the World Through Stories (Michigan State University Press, 2013), and is the Editorial Director of The Debwe Series with Portage and Main Press.

Niigaan Sinclair's father, The Honourable Justice Murray Sinclair, was chair of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada.

The main outcomes of his presentation are to build understanding and awareness of issues impacting Indigenous communities and to develop competency for developing and delivering culturally respectful library programs and services. If you are interested in attending, send an [email](#) to register.

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