

Dear ChLA 2018 Conference Attendee,

We are very excited to welcome you to San Antonio for the 45th Annual Children's Literature Association Conference. We're looking forward to an informative and exciting conference this year! Following are some important reminders and helpful information. You may also review this information and updates any time with our [conference webpage](#).

Children's Literature Association Conference
Refreshing Waters / Turbulent Waters
Hosted by Texas State University

June 28-30, 2018
San Antonio, TX
Sheraton Gunter Hotel
www.childlitassn.org/2018

Program Guide:

The [45th Annual ChLA Conference Program Guide](#) is now available

Lodging & Travel:

Conference Hotel:

[Sheraton Gunter Hotel](#)
205 E. Houston Street
San Antonio, TX 78205

Overflow Hotel:

[Courtyard San Antonio Riverwalk](#)
207 N Saint Marys Street
San Antonio, TX 78205

Transportation: For driving directions or transportation options from the airport, view the [Transportation Tips](#) to get to the venue.

General Reminders:

Registration: After you check into the hotel, please visit the registration desk to get your name badge conference program, and any purchased event tickets. Attendee badges are required for all session participants. The registration desk is located on the 3rd floor near the elevators and is open every day for your convenience:

Registration Hours:

Wednesday, June 27	5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 28	7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Friday, June 29	7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, June 30	8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Local Climate: Typical weather in San Antonio at this time of year will be warm. Bring layers as it will be hot outside and meeting rooms tend to be cooler. See the [local forecast](#) for San Antonio.

Conference Highlights:

Concurrent Sessions: 16 concurrent sessions are scheduled throughout the conference with up to 8 presentations available to choose from during each session. Review the [45th Annual ChLA Conference Program Guide](#) in advance to start mapping out the sessions of interest to you.

Reception & New Member Welcome: All are invited to attend the welcome reception on Thursday, June 28 at 6:30 pm.

2018 Francelia Butler Lecture: The Butler Lecture will be presented by Dr. Debbie Reese on Saturday, June 30 at 8:00 am.

Membership Meeting: Immediately following the Francelia Butler Lecture on Saturday morning, stay for the 2018 Membership Meeting to learn about the current and future initiatives within ChLA.

Phoenix Panel and Book Signing: All are invited to attend the Phoenix Panel and Book Signing on Friday, June 29. The panel will take place in the Magnolia room at 5:00 PM, immediately followed by the Book Signing on the Gunter Terrace. There will be a cash bar available from 5:00 – 7:30 PM.

Informational Meeting: Children’s Literature before 1900: All are invited to attend the informational meeting in the June Cummins room from 6:15 – 7:30 PM. Appetizers will be served during the same in Gunter Terrace attached to the June Cummins room.

“Families Belong Together” Protest:

On Saturday, June 30 at 10:00 a.m. CDT, a “Families Belong Together” protest is planned in San Antonio. This protest takes place during the time allotted at the conference for the annual ChLA Membership meeting. In an effort to accommodate the members interested in joining the “Families Belong Together” protest, we will begin the Membership Meeting as soon as the Butler Lecture concludes and condense the presentations and announcements. We will post the announcements and information normally given at the Membership Meeting on the website and via email to the membership.

For Presenters:

Please see the [Presenter Tips and Tricks](#) for helpful information and do’s and don’ts on your presentation.

A/V Reminders:

- Each session room is equipped with a laptop with Windows OS, projector, and screen.
- Internet connectivity will be provided via complimentary hotel WiFi; passwords will be provided at the conference.
- Laptops will have standard meeting and presentation software including PowerPoint, Excel, and either Google Chrome, Firefox, or Internet Explorer. If using the provided laptop, please have any presentation files needed on a flash drive.

- You MAY use your own laptop. There will be a HDMI connection for the projectors. If you would like to connect to the projector, you must have a HDMI port or an adaptor.
- If you are using another type of laptop, such as a Mac, you MUST supply your own adaptor, as these will not be provided.

Cancellations/Changes:

If, for any reason, you are unable to present your session, or would like to request any changes, please contact Jamie Reed, Association Manager, **immediately** at conference@childlitassn.org or [630-571-4520](tel:630-571-4520).

Contact your hotel to advise of any cancellation or delay in arrival to avoid losing your reservation.

Questions? Contact Us!

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Thank you again for attending the 2018 ChLA Conference. We look forward to seeing you in San Antonio!