



CALL FOR PAPERS

Canadian Scholarly Research and Professional Writing Regarding School Libraries in Canada

Treasure Mountain Canada is pleased to announce the fourth biennial TMC symposium to be held in partnership with the [Manitoba School Library Association](#) (MSLA) in Winnipeg during the SAGE Conference in October 2017. Full information regarding rates and registration will be available on the [TMC website](#).

Treasure Mountain Canada is a participatory learning experience designed to bring researchers and practitioners together to discuss and debate current Canadian research and scholarly writing which has an impact on the role of school libraries vis-à-vis educational strategy and transformation. Papers and work from previous TMC experiences are archived for viewing and study at <http://tmc.canadianschoollibraries.ca/>.

The first Treasure Mountain Canada, held in Edmonton in 2010, focused on *Transforming Canadian School Libraries to Meet the Needs of 21st Century Learners*. In Ottawa in 2012 the focus became *Learning for the Future: Working Towards Revised National Standards for School Libraries in Canada*. In Victoria in 2014 the focus was the launch of the CLA document [Leading Learning: Standards of Practice for School Library Learning Commons in Canada](#). TMC4 in Toronto focused on deeper implementation of the national standards, and evidence that the standards are making an impact on teaching and learning in Canada.

The goal of TM Canada is to make the school library a key area of academic debate. At this time, the TMC5 planning committee is pleased to extend an invitation to teacher-librarians and educators across the country for papers for the fifth publication, which will be one of the essential resources for the symposium. To complement the timely SAGE conference theme, *Truth in Our Stories: Seeking a Path to Reconciliation*, we invite exploration and research papers on issues in school library learning commons practice that speak to Indigenous education, human rights, diversity and inclusiveness.

We suggest either teacher-research and/or academic research related to the theme and strands:

Symposium Theme: Culturally Relevant and Responsive School Library Learning Commons

- Learning Environment
- Instructional Approaches
- Learning Partnerships
- Leveraging Technology

We recognize the outstanding contributions so many of you are making to teaching and learning in Canada. Your work needs to be recognized by the greater education community – and documented, so that it can become part of the debate. Papers will be peer reviewed and posted online for study prior to the symposium. A checklist of specific requirements for papers is included below, and a handy guide for teacher-librarians new to action research is attached.

Papers are required by October 1, 2017. Please send to Carol Koechlin koechlin@sympatico.ca

For planning purposes, please let us know if you hope to submit a paper. If you have any questions or wish to discuss this initiative further contact Carol by email koechlin@sympatico.ca or by phone 416-751-0889, or contact any member of the planning committee. Watch for more details coming soon regarding the TMC5 program and registration information <http://tmc.canadianschoollibraries.ca/>

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Checklist for TM Canada papers

- If print format:
 - Approximately 1500-3000 words in length
 - Digital MS Word document - Arial 12 point
 - Single spaced and visuals (e.g. charts and graphs) embedded
- Alternative media formats such as websites and video are also welcome
- References in any standard format
- Short biography of writer, about 200 words plus a digital photo would be appreciated
- Permissions if previously published
- Permission to publish your paper in PDF on TM Canada Site
- Papers are needed by October 1, 2017.

Note: Papers will be peer reviewed. Copyright to remain with the writer.

Questions about submissions should be directed to Carol Koechlin koechlin@sympatico.ca