



CALL FOR PAPERS

Canadian Scholarly Research and Professional Writing Regarding School Libraries in Canada

Treasure Mountain Canada is pleased to announce the sixth biennial TMC Symposium (TMC6) will take place in Toronto, Ontario on Friday January 31 and Saturday February 1, 2020, presented in partnership with the Ontario Library Association (OLA), the OLA Super Conference, the Ontario School Library Association (OSLA) and The Association of Library Consultants and Coordinators of Ontario (TALCO). 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. TMC5 was held in Winnipeg, Manitoba in partnership with Manitoba School Library Association (MSLA) SAGE Conference. The work of TMC5 led to a CSL project to help schools build [Culturally Relevant and Responsive School Library Learning Commons](#).

The goal of TM Canada is to make the school library a key area of academic debate. At this time, the TMC6 planning committee is pleased to extend an invitation to teacher-librarians and educators across the country for papers for the sixth publication, which will be one of the essential resources for the symposium. 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. To help you in the process of research and sharing your results CSL have developed a [Research Toolkit](#). Use this rich resource to guide your approach to preparing for TMC!

We invite exploration and research papers on issues in school library learning commons practice that speak to building participatory learning environments. We suggest either teacher-research and/or academic research related to the theme and strands.

TMC6 Theme: Participatory Learning in the Library Learning Commons

TMC6 Sub-Themes:

- Collaborative Environments
- Culturally Relevant and Responsive SLCC
- Accessibility for All
- Creativity and Innovation
- School Culture

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 any member of the planning committee. Papers will be peer edited and posted online for study prior to the symposium. You do not have to attend the symposium to submit a paper. A checklist of specific requirements for papers is included below. Papers are required by January 6, 2020: please send to Carol Koechlin. Watch for ongoing updates and details regarding the TMC6 program and registration information on the [TMC website](#).

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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 website and the CSL Research Archive
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Note: Papers will be peer edited. Copyright to remain with the author.
Questions about submissions should be directed to Carol Koechlin.

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Refer to [Get Ready for TMC6 2020](#) for further guidance for digging into the symposium theme and sub-themes.