LITA’s 2nd National Conference
“Effective Technology, Excellent Service: Putting the Pieces Together”
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Conference Program
Library & Information Technology Association, a division of the American Library Association

Issues, including management and emerging technologies

The Standards Implementation Process
Marilyn Nasatir, Carlyle Systems, Inc. (Moderator)

This session will focus on the process of implementing national and international standards, converting systems to use standards once those standards become available, developing systems in the absence or partial availability of needed standards, and the factors influencing whether a given standard is or is not actually used.


Library automation

Planning Strategies and Decision Tools for Systems and Technologies in Libraries
Heike C. Kordish, New York Public Library (Moderator)

Managing technology effectively has become an increasingly complex task. Libraries are faced with an increasingly wide range of products and technologies which impact all departments and compromise scarce resources. Strategies and decision tools to help libraries focus on their needs, to develop realistic goals, and to evaluate alternative approaches will be examined.


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10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
SHOWCASES
Rooms 108-109

10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
NEW PRODUCT REVIEWS
Room 110

1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
KEYNOTE ADDRESS
Libraries and Publishing in the Age of Electronics: Continuity and Change in Institutional Roles and Structures
Dr. Harvey Wheeler, University of Southern California
Ballrooms A & B

3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
BREAK
Prefunction Area, Plaza Level

3:45 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.
TECHNICAL SESSIONS

Effective Management of Image Databases: Incorporating Visual Images into Information Systems and Services
Ching-chih Chen, Simmons College (Moderator)

The need to provide effective information access to large-scale photo archives and other image related databases is clearly felt by many library and information organizations. Recent advances in the hybrid microcomputer and optical technologies and in high-resolution image digitization have offered exciting possibilities for us to incorporate visual images into information delivery systems and services. This session is devoted specifically to articulate the experiences in creating such types of innovative image information retrieval systems in order to provide better and new services to users.


Optical information systems; Publishing

Freedom of Information: The Impact of Technology
Gail Persky, New York University (Moderator)

This session will focus on freedom of access to information and current political and technological developments which threaten that freedom. A number of themes will be covered such as international policy issues and data flow, government information, the right to know and intellectual freedom. The session will point out areas of concern and help raise the awareness of conference attendees to the potential impact of technologies which are used ever more widely in libraries.