

## Victoria Russo

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### Education

Master of Science in Information Science, December 2009

Concentration: Library and Information Services

University at Albany, SUNY, Albany, NY

Master of Arts in Women's Studies, May 2008

M.A. Final Project: *Women in the Shadows: Lesbian Pulp Fiction 1950-1965*

University at Albany, SUNY, Albany, NY

### Professional Experience

Youth Services Librarian, Bethlehem Public Library, Delmar, NY

January 2011 to present

- Select materials for young adult collection and assigned areas of juvenile collection.
- Weed and maintain assigned collection areas.
- Plan, design and provide in-house programming for teen patrons.
- Coordinate teen events with outside performers.
- Serve as liaison to Bethlehem Central Middle School, providing outreach programming including booktalks, summer reading promotion, and at-school programming.
- Coordinate summer Teen Volunteer Program.
- Staff Children's Place desk to provide reference and reader's advisory services to children, teens, and parents.
- Provide coverage at Adult Services desk as needed, providing reference services to adult patrons.

Library Clerk, John A. Howe Branch, Albany Public Library, Albany, NY

December 2007 to December 2010

- Clerical tasks including checking in and out library materials, creating library cards, sorting library materials, pulling request lists, answering phones, and opening and closing branch.
- Reference tasks including providing reference and reader's advisory services to children, teens, and adults, assisting patrons on public computers, and weeding/withdrawing material.
- Designed and implemented in-house branch children's and teen programming, including story times, Wii gaming programs, craft programs, Summer Reading Program activities, and other special events.
- Coordinated branch youth events with outside performers.
- Selected and purchased children's and young adult materials for the branch.
- Provided outreach to neighborhood groups and schools regarding youth programs at the branch.

## Professional Memberships and Service

### New York Library Association

- Youth Services Section Member
- Web Liaison for the Youth Services Section, November 2009 to present
  - Update YSS Section of NYLA website with current news and events from YSS board members.
  - Maintain YSS web pages.
  - Chair YSS Web Advisory Committee, which provides content for YSS's online presence.
  - Manage online storage of YSS documents.

### American Library Association

- Young Adult Library Services Association member

## Professional Activities

Presentation accepted, "As Seen on TV: Teen Programs Based on TV Shows," Table Talk Presentation. 2011 New York Library Association Fall Conference, Saratoga Springs, NY (2011).

Panel Organizer and Presenter, "Youth Programming Resource Sharing Panel." Albany Public Library Staff Development Day, Albany, NY (2010).

Conference Organizer and Session Moderator, 5th Annual Women's Studies Student Conference "Looking Back, Moving Forward: Celebrating 35 Years of Women's Studies," University at Albany, SUNY (2006). [http://www.albany.edu/wstudent\\_conference/conference2006.html](http://www.albany.edu/wstudent_conference/conference2006.html)

## Certifications

New York State Public Librarian's Certificate  
Certificate #25128, Issued January 20, 2010