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## **Career Objective**

To use my strong communication skills, expert technological know-how, passion for working with teens and expertise in youth services as a consultant to school & public libraries, and trainer for librarians and library staff.

## **Education**

Master of Science in Library and Information Science, Simmons College, Boston, MA 5/98  
Bachelor of Arts in Humanities: Creative Writing Concentration Bradford College, Bradford, MA 5/96  
*Cum Laude*

## **Library Work Experience**

***Library Trainer/Consultant***, 7/07- Information Goddess Consulting, Hampton NH  
Current projects include providing training to librarians and paraprofessionals in topics of youth services, technology, and gaming; speaking at ALA state chapter conference; delivering online classes for YALSA and Simmons; and reporting on an LSTA grant for the Glendale (AZ) Public Library.

***Trainer/Consultant for Youth Services*** 9/04-7/07 Metrowest MA Regional Library System, Waltham MA

Provided support and continuing education to academic, public, school and special librarians in the Metrowest region, conducted continuing education workshops on topics such as collection development, database training, customer service, virtual reference, children's and young adult services, technology and more; liaison on local and various statewide committees, planned and executed MA Statewide Summer Reading Program with team of youth services consultants; planned and executed 2-year LSTA grant for an After School Storytelling Club in 2006/2007.

***Young Adult Librarian*** 9/98 – 9/04 Haverhill Public Library, Haverhill, MA

Developed young adult collections, supervised Teen Cyber Center computer area (including training/supervising over twenty teen volunteers a year); provided reference and reader's advisory for teens, adults and children; facilitated library programs; maintained library website and teen website; produced and distributed all library PR; wrote and executed grants, staffed circulation and youth services desks as needed. Increased YA book circulation by 11% in FY 02-03 and increased assignment notification and reserve materials for middle school projects in FY 03-04.

***Children's Literature Adjunct Professor*** 1/02 - 6/02 Northern Essex Community College, Haverhill, MA

Designed curriculum and prepared lectures, assignments and exams for college students; incorporated classic and current children's literature titles for class discussion; introduced students to children's literature resources on the Internet; evaluated students performance for semester grades.

***Children's Room Assistant*** 9/96 - 12/98 †Haverhill Public Library, Haverhill, MA

Functioned as member of children's room team to select and purchase juvenile fiction and nonfiction in a variety of formats; planned and implemented story time for ages 1-5, developed innovative programs for ages 5-12; created/maintained children's room website.

## **Professional Memberships & Activities**

Jr. Executive Director, New England Library Association (NELA), 10/07-present  
Member, YALSA Social Event Task Force, 2/07-1/09  
Member, YALSA Selected Lists Task Force 1/07-6/07  
Founder and Co-Chair of YALSA Teen Gaming Interest Group 1/06-present  
ALA/YALSA Division Member, 5/98 - present: Research, Technology, & Organization & Bylaws Com.  
MLA Member, 5/03 - MLA conference, State Standards for Library Service to YA Revision, at-large

## **Publications**

*Get Your Game On!* (tentative title) book forthcoming from Neal Schuman in 2008  
"Get Your Game On" column, *VOYA* 12/07, 4/07, 12/06, 8/06  
"I Can't Dance Without Arrows: Getting Active @ your library with Video Game Programs." (co-authored with Alissa Lauzon) *YALS*, 6/06  
Contributor, YALSA Blog <http://blogs.ala.org/index.php?blog=5> 3/06-present  
Administrator, *Hip Librarian's Book Blog* <http://www.hiplibrariansbookblog.blog-city.com> 1/06-  
Founder and Moderator of LibGaming listserv 1/05-present  
"Turning the School Library into an Education Arcade" and "Love Sara, A Virtual Author Visit" *Media Forum Online*, 9/05 <http://www.mslma.org/MediaForum/files/MFPlus2005.pdf>

## **Awards & Accomplishments**

Featured in *Library Journal's* "Movers & Shakers" issue, 3/15/06  
*Hip Librarians Book Blog* featured in *School Library Journal*, 2/06  
Graduate, Library Leadership MA Institute, (LLMA) Beverly MA 6/05  
YALSA Serving the Underserved Trainer Certificate, 1/05  
Graduate, Youth Services Leadership Conference (YSLead) Beverly MA 8/02  
YALSA Spotlight 8/00  
BWI/YALSA Collection Development Grant recipient 1/99

## **Selected Presentations & Workshops**

Instructor, YALSA. Reaching Teens With Gaming (online). 7/08  
Presenter, PLA: "Pain in the Brain" and "Gamers in the Stacks" Minneapolis, MN, 3/08  
Presenter, CCILA. "Get Your Game On" and "Social Software for Librarians" W. Barnstable, MA 3/08  
Instructor, YALSA. "Pain in the Brain" (online) 2/08  
Instructor, Boston Regional Library System "MySpace & Internet Safety" Boston, MA 12/07  
Instructor, CT State Library. "SF & Fantasy Reader's Advisory, Romantic Reader's Advisory," "Teen Technology Programming," & "Get Your Game On" 3 CT locations 12/07  
Presenter, NHLA (CHILIS). "Teen Technology Programming" Portsmouth, NH 10/07  
Presenter, CT State Library. "Equal Access: Teen Trends" Farmington, CT 10/07  
Instructor, YALSA. "Reaching Teens with Gaming" (online) 10/07  
Instructor, SWFLN. "Evaluating & Reviewing Children's Books" & "Gaming" Naples FL 10/07  
Panelist, Missouri Library Association. "Second Life" Springfield, MO 10/07  
Presenter, ALATechSource, Games Learning & Libraries Symposium. "Core Collections" & "Digital Downloads for Gamers" Chicago IL 7/07  
Instructor, Infopeople. "How to Teach the Public Social Software" 7 CA locations, 7/07-10/07  
Instructor, Infopeople. "Get Your Game On" 7 CA locations, CA 3/07-5/07  
MA Trustees Association, "Web 2.0 Library Applications" Boxborough, MA 3/07  
Presenter, CCILA. "Get Your Game On" and "Top 25 Technology Websites" West Barnstable, MA 3/07

## **Hobbies & Interests**

Second Life, World of Warcraft, blogging, podcasting, young adult literature, book reviewing, writing.