

CALL FOR PAPERS

CILIP UMBRELLA Conference

Manchester, 2 - 3 July 2013

The call for papers is now open for the country's leading library and information conference: CILIP Umbrella 2013. Umbrella regularly attracts up to 600 delegates from across the library and world to meet, learn, debate and be inspired. With a new format and more focused themes, Umbrella 2013 will be the highlight of the library and information year.

The aim of CILIP's Umbrella 2013 Conference is to give a positive and strong message about how much the Library and Information Profession does for everyone in our communities and our society and how well it does it. The conference will showcase the creativity in library and information services and facilities, and will illustrate the connections and partnerships that make our professional contribution so vibrant and appropriate to everyone.

Advocacy for the profession is at the heart of this conference and we invite presentations that illustrate the best of what our profession does that impacts on people's leisure, work, business and living. The values of CILIP are firmly rooted in social equality and social justice, on freedom of access to information and for the support of a true learning society.

Themes for 2013 have been selected to highlight CILIP's current activities. The conference will offer delegates focus sessions, spotlight sessions as well as debates and plenaries with major speakers from and beyond the profession all of which will be focussed on four themes as outlined below.

Proposals for presentation at either a Focus or Spotlight session must state clearly the theme it contributes to. We are keen to have papers from a range of presenters from within and outside of the profession. Papers that illustrate advocacy strategies and partnership approaches are particularly welcome.

Umbrella 2013 themes are:

1. Future Skills and Future Roles

What will society need from our profession?

Theme Chair: Liz Jolly BA(Hons) DipILS FCLIP FRSA

Suggested topics:

- Continuing Professional Development for standards and qualifications that society can trust
- Views of leadership - of the profession and by the profession
- Addressing the challenge of cultural change in society
- Do our communities recognise and respond to advocacy for libraries?
- Our professional skills in focus -enabling learning and/or managing knowledge

2. Information to best support society

Information and digital literacy in education, work, health and leisure

Theme chairs: Ms Jo Parker BA(Hons) MA MCLIP and Mr Peter Godwin BA MCLIP CLTHE

Suggested topics:

- The positive impact of information literacy and the importance of innovation to secure its place in a learning society
- The importance of maintaining information literacy development opportunities for people as they move between different settings e.g. school/FE/HE/research/employment
- How Library and Information Professionals are adapting an information literacy offer in a social media context
- Developing the developers: explorations with employers and educators to ensure that information literacy practitioners are relevant and appropriate to the environment they operate in

3 Beyond Information Matters

Pushing the frontiers of Knowledge and Information Management

Theme chair: Peter Griffiths BA(Hons) FCLIP MCLIP

Suggested topics:

- Technological advances in knowledge and information management and links to digital and information literacy
- Government information and support for research, information and knowledge management and library services across the academic, corporate and public sectors
- Open data, information governance, information security, records management and the KIM professional
- The role of information professionals in web and data, intranet management, information architecture
- Knowledge Management growth in new sectors: e.g. health and public sector and best practice in KIM in business and commercial settings

4 Partnerships for progress

Community engagement reaching our communities at organisational, local, regional, national and international levels

Theme chair: Stephanie Kenna MA FCLIP HonFCLIP

Suggested topics:

- Doing more with less: improving service delivery through partnerships
- Working with partners in other library sectors and outside the library community to develop innovative services
- Putting research into practice: how researchers can work with practitioners to ensure their research meets the needs of the library and information community
- Working with our communities and users to demonstrate the value and impact of libraries to our funders

Each of these four themes will have one **Focus** session and one or more **Spotlight** session.

Guidelines for submitting a proposal for sessions

1. Focus sessions

Focus sessions are designed to offer up to **four speakers** the opportunity to present in person an abridged version of longer papers which have been submitted for publication in the Umbrella 2013 Conference Proceedings, which will be published by Facet Publishing.

The time slot allotted per speaker in a three speaker session is **20 minutes**. Time for questions from the floor should be included within the 20 minutes. Chairs will be instructed to be very firm on timekeeping by presenters.

Abstracts for papers for Focus sessions should be no more than 250 words plus a one-page speaker biography (but **not** a full CV please).

2. Spotlight sessions

Spotlight sessions are designed to provide the opportunity for the presentation of **new ideas or reports from ongoing or completed initiatives** that illustrate how library and information services can impact positively on people's life work and leisure. If your proposal concerns a group or partnership project please identify all participants but provide one point of contact.

Allow up to **15 minutes** maximum for your presentation and 10 minutes for audience interaction, bringing each presentation total to 25 minutes maximum. Chairs will be instructed to be very firm on timekeeping by presenters.

Abstracts for presentations for Spotlight sessions should be no more than 200 words plus a one page speaker biography (but not a full CV please).

3. Focus and Spotlight proposal submission

Please email your proposal abstract and your speaker biography to the Conference Director bidy.fisher@cilip.org.uk clearly indicating the theme that you wish to contribute to in the **subject line of the email**.

Ensure that your preferred email and any relevant other contact details are in your speaker biography.

Proposal abstracts will be peer reviewed by the jury panel and the independent chair appointed for each theme.

4. Important dates

5 November 2012 Registration opens

30 November 2012	Abstracts for both Focus and Spotlight sessions to be submitted by 17:00 GMT. NB. These abstracts will appear in the Conference handbook to assist delegates to select conference sessions
21 December 2012	Judging completed.
31 December 2012	Notification of acceptance: Successful proposers informed

The conference programme and allocation of speakers in focus and spotlight sessions will be finalised between 3 January and 15 February 2013.

15 February 2013	Full text copies of the accepted papers to be submitted for publishing by 17:00 GMT
2 April 2013	Equipment requirements to be notified to the conference organiser, Jason Russell
30 April 2013	Abridged versions for presentation to be completed by 17:00 GMT
3 June 2013	Deadline for conference presentations
2 July 2013	Conference begins

5. Presentation requirements

Focus Sessions:	An abridged version of the complete paper will be presented to fit the required time-slot
Spotlight sessions:	Additional information or requirements to be made known to Jason Russell on notification of acceptance

6. Conference speaker registration, travel and accommodation

All speakers will be offered a conference place for the day of their presentation but speakers must find the cost of travel and any necessary accommodation. Details of the venue and accommodation options are to be found at www.cilip.org.uk/umbrella2013

You are encouraged to **register your interest** in the Umbrella 2013 conference as soon as possible (see below, Next steps) and no later than when your proposal is submitted.

7. Further information

The CILIP website and Umbrella 2013 page will be updated regularly with information about the conference. www.cilip.org.uk/umbrella2013

8. Next Steps

Please register your interest in the Umbrella 2013 conference here:

<http://www.cilip.org.uk/umbrella2013/pages/register.aspx>

Should you have any questions please email the Programme Director, Bidy Fisher, for matters of programme content or the Conference Organiser Jason Russell for all other

matters. *Please note Bidy Fisher is not based or employed at CILIP in London, should you experience any delay in her response to you, please contact Jason Russell.*

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