



## **Call for Poster Proposals: FLA Annual Conference, April 18-20, 2012**

The FLA Continuing Education committee invites proposals for posters to be exhibited during the FLA Annual Conference in Orlando, FL. To learn more about the conference, please go to the conference page: [http://www.flalib.org/conference\\_2012.php](http://www.flalib.org/conference_2012.php).

We encourage proposals for posters related to the program theme "Florida Libraries- Vibrant and Vital" chosen by current FLA president Gloria Colvin. Posters should illustrate some of the many ways that Florida libraries are "vibrant centers of learning, connecting, and exploring information and ideas" and show how the libraries themselves are vital to addressing the information needs and desires of Floridians. For more information on the conference theme, please visit [http://www.flalib.org/president\\_page.php](http://www.flalib.org/president_page.php).

Poster proposals will be accepted from Friday, Nov. 4, 2011 until Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2012 at 11:59 p.m. Each presenter will have access to a poster display board and a table on which handouts and other materials can be placed. Access to electrical outlets is not anticipated, so please plan accordingly. Please use the following link to read more about the poster sessions and to access the submission form: <http://library.ucf.edu/Presentations/FLA2012/PosterSession.php>.

Poster proposals should:

- Be well written, clear, and organized
- Be original, timely, and relevant to the conference theme
- Contribute to the advancement of Florida librarianship
- Develop ideas, offer significant conclusions, and provide useful and practical findings
- Appeal to and engage the audience, offering opportunities for discussion and interaction
- Provide a good visual description of the project
- Demonstrate innovative thinking

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup> 2012, 11:59 p.m.**

Review of submissions will begin immediately and acceptance letters will be sent out by the end of January.

Poster proposals submitted by vendors will not be considered.

Questions? Please contact Elana Karshmer, Chair, FLA Continuing Education Committee, via email ([elana.karshmer@saintleo.edu](mailto:elana.karshmer@saintleo.edu)) or phone (352-588-8412).

## **FAQ**

**What materials does FLA provide?**

FLA will provide a display board and a small table positioned below the board. All other materials, including pushpins, tape, or other adhesive material, must be provided by the presenter. If you wish to use a laptop or other electrical device you must provide the power source. FLA cannot guarantee the presence of power outlets and will not supply extension cords.

**Must I be present for my poster session?**

At least one author must be present at all times during your time slot in order to discuss the poster session with other attendees. If you are the only author then you are expected to remain with your poster for the duration of your session.

**How long are the poster session time slots?**

Each poster session will last for 90 minutes.

**Am I allowed to request a time?**

No. You will be assigned a specific time and date for your poster session.

**May I cancel my poster session once I have been accepted?**

In order for the FLA Annual Conference to be a successful and worthwhile experience, FLA counts on your support and participation. If your poster session is selected we expect you to present on your assigned day and time.