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ALA is the largest membership association in the library industry. It's a community of people working together to ensure that libraries remain vital centers of literacy, access, and opportunity.

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ALA provides resources to support all aspects and all stages of your library career: School, jobs, continuing education and professional growth.

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Details on upcoming ALA Annual conferences and archives of previous ALA conferences.

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ALA Scholarship Program

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