

## Saturday, June 12, 2010

12:30-2:00 pm **6th Concurrent Sessions**

12:30-2:00 pm **Room B (EC 1050)**

*Innovation: The language of learning Libraries (90 mins)*

*Presenters: M.J. D'Elia & Randy Oldham, University of Guelph*

Can anyone learn to be innovative? Can innovation be developed and nurtured until it becomes a habit of mind? What does innovation look like in a library or information literacy context? To address these (and other) questions, we created an experimental staff-training program at the University of Guelph Library called "Innovation Boot Camp." Each week the participants engaged in playful activities (field observation, rapid prototyping, concept mapping, and other thought experiments) designed specifically to inspire, energize, and challenge participants to be more innovative at work. We believe that innovation is a core component of any learning organization - including libraries. By planting the seeds of innovation and nurturing creativity, we will be better able to support student learning in all forms. This session will provide an overview of the Innovation Boot Camp program, lead attendees through a few short activities, and share our reflections on the experience in terms of organizational learning.

12:30-2:00 pm **Room C (EC 2065)**

*Making a difference to the K12 community: How an academic library works to bridge the readiness gap (25 mins)*

*Presenter: Evelyn Barker, University of Texas, Arlington*

In 2008-09, University of Texas Arlington Library hosted nearly 700 K-12 students for tours, information literacy instruction, and research. Through these efforts, the library hopes to help bridge the gap between secondary and higher education. This session will share:

- Reasons for inviting K12 classes to an academic library
- Outreach techniques for this audience
- Services provided through the library, including instruction
- Issues involved
- Results seen from our efforts

Participants will be encouraged to share their own stories or concerns about secondary students in the academic library and discuss how libraries can become more involved in bridging the readiness gap.

*Yours, mine, and ours: Collaboration beyond institutional boundaries (55 mins)*

*Presenters: K. Alix Hayden & Barbara Brydges, University of Calgary; Erin Hansen, Calgary Board of Education*

This session will explore the essential components necessary for collaboration across institutional boundaries, specifically school and academic libraries. We will highlight how teacher librarians and academic librarians can work together to build collaborations that support OUR children in the K-16 environment. This interactive session will encourage participants to contribute to 'best practice' collaboration examples through small group discussions and the development of a LibGuide during the session.