CALA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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CALA Membership
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Capital District Library Council
Mission Statement

The Capital District Library Council facilitates information management, staff development, and resource sharing for the libraries of the ten-county Capital District region of upstate New York.

Our Goals

- Promote leading-edge reference and research resources to the region.
- Strengthen cooperation among academic, hospital, corporate, and other specialized libraries; museums and archives; and public and school library systems.
- Facilitate communication among CDLC members and their staffs.
- Support exploration and innovation in library services.
**WHO WE ARE:**

The Capital Area Library Assistants (CALA) was formed as a Special Interest Group of the Capital District Library Council (CDLC) in 1989. CALA is interested in exploring issues that face Library Support Staff in the capital area.

**WHAT WE DO:**

CALA sponsors workshops and other activities that help increase the knowledge and skills of our members. As a member of CALA, you will be informed of workshops, meetings, and conferences that will help you stay current with the newest and latest issues important to the library profession.

Over the past several years, CALA has offered a wide variety of workshops on topics of interest to library assistants, including:

- Using Microsoft Publisher
- Internet Search Tools
- Distance Learning
- Ergonomics in the Workplace
- Changes in Technology
- Book Repair & Conservation
- The NYS Library & You
- Support Staff Visibility in an Era of Downsizing
- Library Advocacy
- Cross-Cultural Communication
- Coping with Change
- Researching Local History
- The Future of the Library

**CALA’S GOALS:**

- To foster communication among library support staff and to disseminate information on other organizations specifically designed to benefit library support staff.
- To facilitate professional development of library support staff through programs produced by and for library support staff.
- To enhance a professional image of library support staff within the library community.

**HOW TO JOIN:**

The wonderful thing about a membership is that it is FREE! Either complete and return the membership form on the reverse side or go to our online application at [http://www.cdlc.org/index.php/capital-area-library-assistants](http://www.cdlc.org/index.php/capital-area-library-assistants). You will receive information about upcoming CALA activities, which we hope will help enrich your working life.

**Committee volunteers are always welcome!**