

OLA NOW ACCEPTING SUBMISSIONS FOR 2010 SUPER CONFERENCE POSTER SESSIONS – *New 2-Hour Format*

The online submission form can be found at:

www.accessola.com/education/superconference

The deadline for submission is Friday, December 11, 2009. Successful applicants will be notified by January 11th, 2010.

POSTER SESSIONS ARE PLANNED AT SUPER CONFERENCE ON:

Thursday, February 25, 2010

Friday, February 26, 2010

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

WHERE?

Metro Toronto Convention Centre, OLA Registration Lobby

WHAT IS A POSTER SESSION?

A Poster Session is an effective way to communicate ideas, research, and unique programs. This forum is ideal for meeting and discussing your work with other conference delegates and heightening your career profile. Anyone can submit a proposal as long as it falls within the criteria; however, space does not permit acceptance of all submissions. Commercial entries are not accepted.

Poster sessions cover a wide variety of topics, for example:

- *an innovative library program or a successful curriculum collaboration
- *an analysis of a practical problem-solving effort
- *a successful event, activity, or production
- *a marketing campaign
- *the results of a research project

NEW TWO-HOUR FORMAT

Feedback from conference delegates indicates they highly value the Poster Sessions and would like to have longer access to them. This year, for the first time, each day's full set of 16 displays will be on display from noon until 2:00 pm. Individual poster presenters can choose to leave the displays up for the afternoon, but all displays must be cleared away by 5:00 PM. A schedule of poster presentations will be organized, with some from 12 noon to 12:45 PM, and others from 1:00 PM until 1:45 PM.

RECOGNITION

You, your project, and your colleagues will be included in the Super Conference 2010 Official Program. Extra copies of the program will be made available for your portfolio upon request.

GUIDELINES FOR DISPLAYING AND PRESENTING YOUR POSTER SESSION

The poster board surface is three feet high by six feet wide. The background colour is gray. You may bring paper or cloth to cover the background, if you want a specific colour. Lettering should be simple, bold, and easily legible from a distance of four feet. Velcro is the best method to attach your materials but thumbtacks also work. Remember to bring any supplies you might need, as supplies will not be available at the conference.

A six-foot long table is provided in front your poster board. You may place artifacts, products, handouts and other supportive material on the table for display or distribution to interested people. You may also want to provide a sign-up sheet to record the names and addresses of attendees who might want more information, reprints, etc.

All locations have access to overhead lighting and electricity. Internet access is not available.

Displays should use eye-catching materials such as pictures, graphs, diagrams and narrative text. The poster display should include a statement of the need/problem, objectives of the research or project, the methodology used to implement the project or program, the major findings or outcomes and their significance, and conclusions.

Poster boards are assigned by the Coordinator, and you will be given your assigned number by email in advance of the Super Conference. On the day of your display, you will not be able to set up your poster until 11:45 AM. Posters set up ahead of this time, or in the incorrect space, may be removed by the Coordinator.

During the scheduled presentation time, the presenter must be available at the display to answer questions and to informally discuss the contents of the project being shown. Only 2 people will be permitted to present for each display submission.

There are no storage facilities available at the Poster session site. Display materials should be pre-assembled because set-up time is very limited.

POSTER SESSION COORDINATOR

Doris Rankin, OLITA President 1996, is the coordinator and advisor for the OLA Poster Session program. Contact her at rankin@storm.ca