

Status Line

Calendar of Events

Nylink closed
Winter Holiday
December 24-25, 2007

Nylink closed
New Year's
December 31, 2007-
January 1, 2008

Nylink closed
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
January 21, 2008

**Transcending Cultural Barriers
to Effective Customer Service**
March 19, 2008
Mid-Manhattan Library, NYC
<[http://nylink.org/events/
culture08.cfm](http://nylink.org/events/culture08.cfm)>.

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Upcoming Nylink Training Calendar for December 2007-February 2008

Visit our web site <<http://nylink.org>> for up-to-date information, course descriptions, directions and online registration. **Classes are currently scheduled through June 2008.**

December 2007

Day	Class	Time	Location
3	WorldCat Resource Sharing Auto Deflection and the Policies Directory	1-2:30p.m.	Webinar
7	OCLC FirstSearch: The Administrative Module	1-2:30p.m.	Webinar
7	WorldCat Collection Analysis	10a.m.-3p.m.	NYPL
10	MARC Format for Holdings Data	1-2:30p.m.	Webinar
12	What's New With Client 2.0?	10a.m.-4p.m.	CLRC
14	Local Holdings Maintenance on the OCLC Connexion Browser	9:30a.m.-3p.m.	Nylink
20	CONTENTdm: Advanced Topics	9:30a.m.-12:30p.m.	Nylink

January 2008

Day	Class	Time	Location
14	Advanced Excel Applications	4 week	Distance Ed
17	Cataloging Web Sites	10a.m.-3p.m.	Nylink
18	Using Institution Records	10-11a.m.	Webinar
25	Local Holdings Record Updating by Batch	10-11a.m.	Webinar
28	WorldCat Resource Sharing Auto Deflection and the Policies Directory	1-2:30p.m.	Webinar

February 2008

Day	Class	Time	Location
1	CONTENTdm: Refresher	10-11a.m.	Webinar
11	OCLC Custom Holdings	1-2:30p.m.	Webinar
12	OCLC FirstSearch: Eureka to FirstSearch	1-4p.m.	NYPL
13	OCLC WorldCat Resource Sharing Basics	10a.m.-4p.m.	Nylink
13	Cataloging Electronic Serials	11a.m.-4p.m.	NYPL
21	MARC Essentials	11a.m.-4p.m.	NYPL
25	Using SCIPPIO Records	1-2:30p.m.	Webinar

What's Up on the Web?

In honor of Veterans Day, the featured web site this month is that of the Veterans History Project <<http://www.loc.gov/vets/>>. Created by an act of Congress and signed into law by President Clinton in 2000, the Veterans History Project is a program of the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress that collects oral history interviews, memoirs, letters, diaries, photographs, and other original materials from U.S. veterans of World Wars I and II, and the Korean, Vietnam, and Persian Gulf wars as well as the Afghanistan and Iraq conflicts (2001-present). U.S. citizen civilians who were actively involved in supporting war efforts are also included.

The materials submitted by each contributor to the project are referred to as a "collection." The collections are accessible in person at the Library of Congress (more information at <<http://www.loc.gov/vets/researchinfo.html>>), and in addition, over 2,400 collections have been digitized for online accessibility. A catalog describing the collections is available at <<http://lcweb2.loc.gov/diglib/vhp/html/search/search.html>> and it offers searching by numerous parameters including name and gender of veteran/civilian, conflict (e.g., Vietnam War), branch of service, service location, and rank. You can also limit searches so that only those collections that have been digitized are returned in search results. Browsing by last name, by conflict and military branch, by state of residence, and by race/ethnicity is also available.

As part of its ongoing effort to obtain veterans' stories, the Library of Congress teamed up with the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) and filmmaker Ken Burns at the time of the recent airing of the TV documentary series *The War* which focused on World War II. As a result of that collaboration, a special section of the Veterans History Project web site features digitized collections from the VHP archive as they relate to each episode of *The War* (see <<http://www.loc.gov/vets/stories/thewar/index.html>>). For example, to correspond with the first episode, "A Necessary War," which covers the first year of U.S. involvement, links are provided to personal stories from the VHP archive that pertain to Pearl Harbor, Corregidor, the Bataan Death March, Guadalcanal, and the Japanese-American internment camps.

Information about participating in the Veterans History Project, either as an individual or as an organization, is available at <<http://www.loc.gov/vets/kit.html>>.

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