



This **About Our Leaders** provides a short biography of our leaders for our LYRASIS Leaders Forum in Raleigh/Durham on March 7, 2019. The Leaders Forums are face-to-face meetings across the US, Canada and soon the globe, to gather leaders to discuss, explore and workshop ideas, problems and potential solutions. Our theme this year is **Local to Global**.

Experts from the LYRASIS team and from the community will discuss new concepts, trends and ideas surrounding innovation. Forum participants are members of the LYRASIS Leaders Circle, the general LYRASIS membership and invitation only community drivers within the archive, library and museum profession. By reading each short biography below, you'll get to know our leaders engaging in our LYRASIS Leaders Forum, *Local to Global*.

### **About Our Leaders**

**Miranda Bennett** is Associate Dean for Collections at the University of South Carolina Libraries, a position she has held since 2017. Before coming to South Carolina, she served as Head of Liaison Services for Collections and Research Support at the University of Houston Libraries, where she had begun her library career as an instruction librarian in 2005. She is active in several professional associations, including ALA, ALCTS, and PASCAL (Partnership Among South Carolina Academic Libraries).

**Beth Bernhardt** is the Assistant Dean for Collection Management and Scholarly Communications at UNC Greensboro. Beth and her team received a 2-year grant to support a combined alternative textbook project. This project engages in a two-pronged approach to reduce students' textbook costs and increase their academic engagement.

**Maria Collins** is the Department Head, Acquisitions and Discovery at North Carolina State University. She is the 2015 Recipient of the Ulrich's Serials Librarianship Award and attended the Harvard Leadership Institute for Academic Librarians. Maria holds a MLS and a MAT, English Education from University of North Carolina Chapel Hill.

**Vicki Coleman** is the Dean of Libraries at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University.

**Shamella Cromartie** is the Head of Public Services at Fayetteville State University. Shamella is an alumna of Fayetteville State University, having earned a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice and Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the university. She received her Master of Library Science degree from North Carolina Central University.

**Lisa Croucher** was named Executive Director of TRLN in October 2015, after having served as Program Officer since May 2013. She came to TRLN from the Duke Global Health Institute at Duke University, where she was the Associate Director of Education and Training. Prior to that, she helped launch the Robertson Scholars Program of Duke and UNC-Chapel Hill as the Assistant Director for Summer Enrichment. Her career began as Information Resources Coordinator at IntraHealth International, and she served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Poland in the early nineties. Lisa received her Master of Science in Library Science in 1996 from UNC-Chapel Hill. She graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a Bachelor of Arts in English and with a Master of Arts in English and linguistics from the University of Kentucky. She is an alumnus of the Duke Leadership Academy and the UNC BRIDGES Academic Leadership Program for Women.

**Michael A. Crumpton**, MLS, SHRM-SCP, is the Assistant Dean for Administrative Services at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Mike oversees administration of budgets, human resources and facilities; organizes and addresses space and remodeling issues. He is an affiliated faculty member for the Department of Library and Information Studies (<https://soe.uncg.edu/directory/faculty-and-staff/bio-michael-crumpton/>) as well as a certified Senior Human Resources Professional. He is the editor of the Journal of Learning Spaces and current President of the North Carolina Library Association. His published works includes monographs; "Handbook for Community College Librarians", Library Unlimited, 2013, "Strategic Human Resource Planning for Academic Libraries", Chandos Publishing, 2015, Short-Term Staff, Long-Term Benefits (with Nora Bird), Library Unlimited, 2018, as well as several chapters and a host of articles in this institutional repository:  
<http://libres.uncg.edu/ir/uncg/clist.aspx?id=1946>

**Christine Fischer** is the Head of Technical Services at University of North Carolina Greensboro, where she has worked since 2005. She received her BA in Humanities from East Tennessee State University and received her MSLS from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She has an interest in streaming film, acquisition models, and organizational culture.

**Tom Flynn** is the Assistant Director of Archives and Special Collections at the C.G. O'Kelly Library for Winston-Salem State University. He received his BA in History from Dickinson College and his MSIS in Archives and Records Management from the University at Albany. He has experience working in Government, Religious and University Archives. Tom is a Leaders Circle Member.

**Caroline Hallam** is the Open Educational Resources Librarian at NC LIVE. Caroline oversees Open Education North Carolina, an initiative to reduce the cost of higher education and improve student success across North Carolina's colleges and universities.



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**Heather Greer Klein** is the Services Coordinator for DuraSpace, managing the ArchivesDirect, DSpaceDirect, and DuraCloud hosted preservation and access services. She was previously the Member Services Coordinator for NC LIVE.

**Catherine Lee** is Dean of the Learning Resource Center at Cape Fear Community College in Wilmington, NC. She's held positions previously in Georgia, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, and West Virginia. Currently, Lee serves on the NC LIVE OER Advisory Committee, the NCLA CJCLS Executive Board, and the State Library LSTA Advisory Committee. She's also a SACSCOC peer evaluator.

**Dr. Jan Lewis** is the Director of the J.Y. Joyner Library at East Carolina University. Lewis has been interim dean of academic library services at ECU since August 2012. She has overseen the creation and dedication of the Janice Hardison Faulkner Gallery, expansion of Joyner Library operation to 24 hours/five days per week, increased grant activity and intensified emphasis on support for research and teaching at ECU. She joined Joyner Library in 1999 as the first coordinator of library instruction and held positions of business librarian, head of reference services and associate dean of academic library services. Lewis earned a Juris Doctor from the University of Virginia School of Law, a MLS from Catholic University of America, and a bachelor's in economics from the College of William and Mary. She joined Joyner Library in 1999 as the first coordinator of library instruction and held positions of business librarian, head of reference services and associate dean of academic library services. Lewis earned a Juris Doctor from the University of Virginia School of Law, a MLS degree from Catholic University of America, and a bachelor's in economics from the College of William and Mary. Jan is a Leaders Circle Member.

**Paolo Mangiafico** is the Scholarly Communications Strategist at Duke University and Director of the Triangle Scholarly Communication Institute. In his role at Duke, Paolo works with librarians, technologists, faculty, students and university leadership to plan and implement programs that promote greater reach and impact for scholarship in many forms, including open access to publications and data and emerging platforms for publishing digital scholarship. Paolo is a Leaders Circle Member.

**Elizabeth G. McClenney** has served as the Director of Fintel Library, Roanoke College since July 2015. She has oversight for user experience, resources, and budget and operations for the Archives, Instruction & Research Services, Lending & Interlibrary Loan Services, and Digital Technologies & Services. She formerly served as Deputy Director of the Atlanta University Center Robert W. Woodruff Library in Atlanta, GA. She has also held positions at the University of California – Santa Barbara, Virginia State University, Old Dominion University, Georgia State University, and the College of William & Mary. She currently serves on the LYRASIS Board of Trustees. Elizabeth Gail is a Leaders Circle Member.

**Tim McGeary** is the AUL for Digital Strategies and Technology at Duke University. Tim is experienced in providing strategic vision and leadership, managing projects and staff, building internal and external collaborations and partnerships, and effectively communicating the challenges and opportunities in the library and technology landscapes. He is service oriented in approach to casting vision, analyzing problems and challenges, and planning potential solutions. Tim is people oriented in approach projects and staffs, focusing on aligning strengths of staff to challenges and building an environment that encourages professional development and growth through experience. His strengths include researching and analyzing current issues and trends, framing the "big picture", designing initiatives for maximum usefulness, and interested in serving on local, regional, and national service opportunities. Tim is a Leaders Circle Member.

**Eric U. Miller** is the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and Assistant Director of Operations of the Robert W. Woodruff Library of the Atlanta University Center, Inc. Eric has served in this position since 2004. Previous professional positions include the controller of ResCare of Georgia, a large provider of outpatient medical services and residential health programs. Miller also served with distinction as an officer in the United States Navy. Eric has provided curriculum assistance for programs exploring diversity in corporate finance for the American Management Association and Government & Political Solutions development series. Eric has coauthored articles on zero-based budget modeling and operational consequences of non-profit entity (NPE) structure selection. He is a consulting partner at U.C. Consolidated, LLC, a tax and accounting group based in Atlanta specializing in NPE structuring and management intelligence. Eric especially enjoys coaching student-athletes reached through the South Gwinnett Youth Athletic Association. Miller holds an MBA with concentration in Finance from the Georgia State University and a bachelor's in Finance from the North Carolina A&T State University. Eric is a LYRASIS Board of Trustee and a Leaders Circle Member.

**Darby Orcutt** is the Assistant Head, Collections & Research Strategy at North Carolina State University. Darby supports interdisciplinary research collaborations, including many with strong engagement and citizen science aspects. His expertise is in strategic planning, negotiation, and creating effective culture, especially in libraries, higher ed, and in the fields of big data and biotech. He holds a MLS and MA in Communications from University of North Carolina Chapel Hill.

**Timothy Owens** was named the State Librarian of North Carolina in January 2019. Timothy grew up in Harbinger, North Carolina. He began his library career at Neuse Regional Library, followed by service at Perkins Library at Duke University and in Library Development at the State Library of North Carolina. He has served as President of the Association for Rural & Small Libraries. Timothy was a senior program officer at the Institute of Museum and Library Services in Washington, DC, before returning to North Carolina to become Assistant State Librarian in 2017. He earned his Master of Library Science at UNC-Chapel Hill and holds a master's degree in music from Meredith College.

**John Sherer** was named the seventh director of the University of North Carolina Press in June of 2012. Since his arrival the Press has published two New York Times bestsellers and has been the recipient of several major foundation grants including two grants of nearly \$1 million each from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to support new scaled models for high quality monograph publications. Previously, he was the publisher of Basic Books in New York and adjunct professor at New York University's School for Continuing and Professional Studies. He has held marketing positions at Henry Holt, the Brookings Institution and was a manager and buyer at Olsson's Books and Records in Washington, DC. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

**Diane Smith** is the site manager at Bennett Place State Historic Site. Provided and participated in living history programs from the colonial period to WW2 for over 20 years. Passionate about the care and well-being of domestic, farm and wildlife in North Carolina and nationwide.

**Jennifer Solomon** is the Open Access Librarian at University of North Carolina Chapel Hill. As the Open Access Librarian in the Office of Scholarly Communications at UNC Libraries, Jennifer works on many different aspects within Schol Comm. One of her primary roles is to lead the outreach and communication initiatives for the UNC Faculty Council's Open Access Policy implementation, which so far has included collaborating with a marketing firm on a campaign for OA awareness and authors' rights, developing faculty and graduate student competencies in OA, and establishing connections with UNC departments to deposit materials in the Carolina Digital Repository.

**Angela Stanley** is director of Georgia HomePLACE, the digitization initiative of Georgia's state library. In this role, she leads Georgia's 62 public library systems in identifying and managing archival and special collections digital projects for ingest by the Digital Library of Georgia; consults on a wide variety of archival collections management issues; and provides training and professional development opportunities and resources. Previously, she was Head of Archives and Special Collections at the Athens Regional Library System and a Senior Librarian at the New York Public Library. Stanley has her BA in English and Women's Studies from Fordham University; her MLIS and certificate in Archives, Preservation and Records Management from Queens College (City University of New York); and is a Certified Archivist and Digital Archives Specialist. Angela is a Leaders Circle Member.

**Lynn Whittenberger**, Associate Department Head, Acquisitions & Discovery, NCSU Libraries. I'm involved with the FOLIO open-source ILS project, as well as collaborating with partners across the state in investigating creating a regional NC names / places database. NCSU is also looking at OERs and other ways to support student success through textbook access.



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