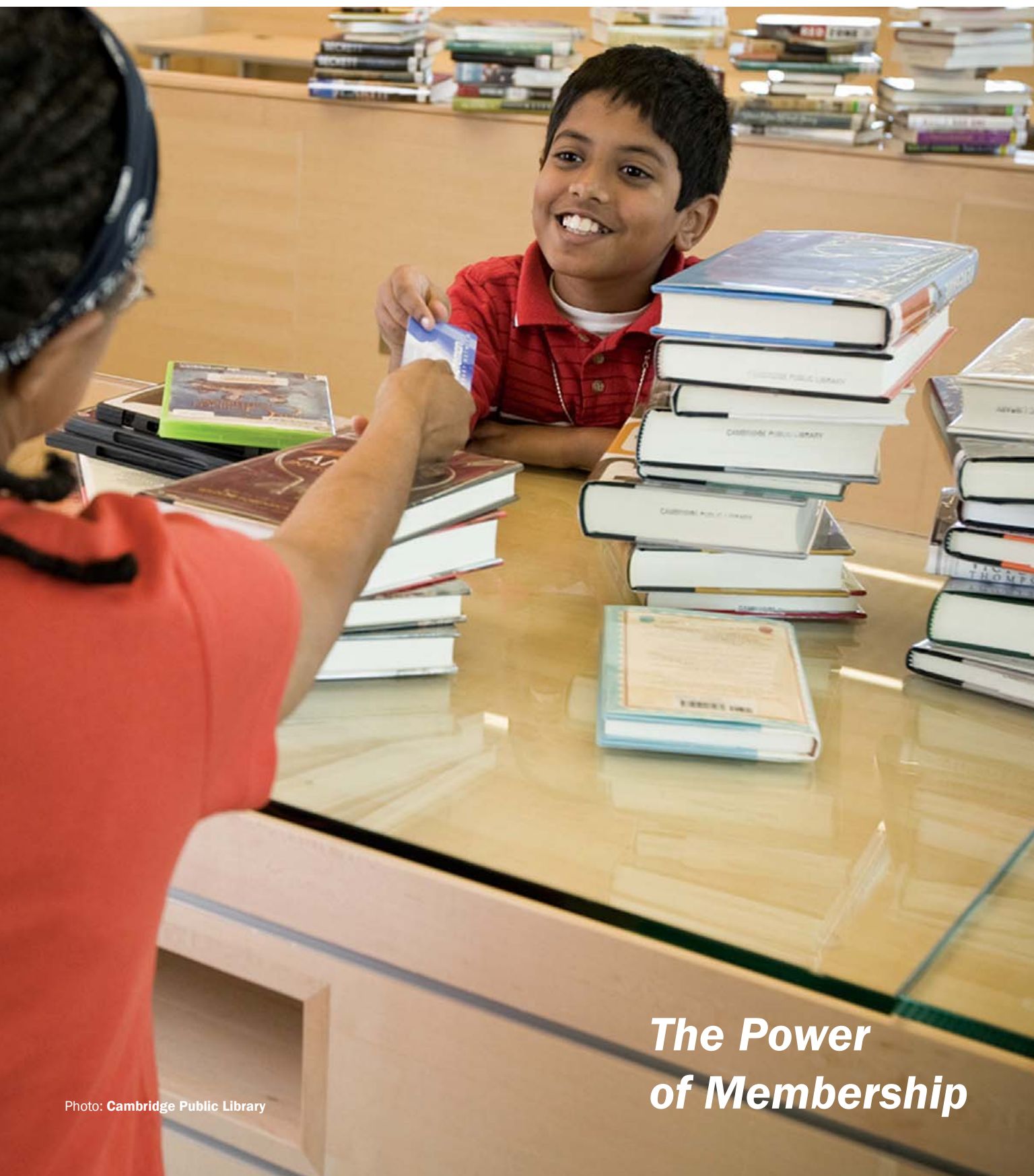




LYRASIS™

Advancing Libraries Together



***The Power
of Membership***

Photo: Cambridge Public Library

You Are LYRASIS

Librarians have always understood the critical importance of collaboration. Created by, and for libraries and library professionals, LYRASIS is a non-profit member-based organization established by regional library networks who joined together to extend access to information, enhance service to patrons, address budget constraints, and increase cost savings through shared purchasing power.

LYRASIS members are dedicated information professionals with many decades of experience serving the needs, and fostering the growth, of libraries and cultural heritage institutions. Member institutions include colleges and universities, museums, public libraries, historical societies, archives, and special libraries.

As a member, you can build strong relationships with colleagues, experience significant savings on library products and services, and take advantage of professional development opportunities and consulting expertise from industry leaders, to help you serve your patrons better and stay relevant within your community.

“Together, we have one of those rare and special opportunities to affect the changes needed to face our challenges today and into the future.”

Joseph Lucia
University Librarian
Villanova University, Villanova, PA



Learn more about the benefits of membership at www.lyrasis.org by using the keywords in our convenient search boxes located throughout this brochure.

Benefits of Membership

- ◆ Networking and collaborative opportunities with colleagues from diverse institutions
- ◆ Cost savings on library resources with over 500 products from more than 100 vendors
- ◆ Educational opportunities to keep you current and help your staff grow professionally
- ◆ Technology solutions designed for your library with custom implementation and support
- ◆ Expert consulting from industry leaders in all areas of librarianship
- ◆ A single point of contact for ordering, support, and management of your services
- ◆ The opportunity to have a voice in your future as a voting member
- ◆ Strong partnerships with major grant funders



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“The LYRASIS team has gone out of its way to provide Indiana with information, resources, and assistance on every topic from professional development to consortial licensing. The Indiana State Library is proud to be a member of the best regional library network in the nation!”

Roberta Brooker

Director and State Librarian

Indiana State Library, Indianapolis, IN

Education

educational services



LYRASIS develops and conducts classes on current and emerging industry topics for information professionals. Our trainers are nationally recognized LYRASIS staff and adjunct instructors who are well-known experts in their subject areas. In addition to our traditional face-to-face format, we offer many courses via our popular "live online" distance learning that enables you to decide how, when, and where you want to learn. LYRASIS also provides training sessions on a contract basis for you to schedule customized workshops at dates, times, and locations that are convenient for you.

Selected Class Topics

- ◆ Administration and management
- ◆ Cataloging
- ◆ Digitization
- ◆ Emerging technologies
- ◆ Library leadership
- ◆ Marketing
- ◆ Preservation
- ◆ Product training (including OCLC and others)
- ◆ Program planning
- ◆ Resource sharing



LYRASIS Fundamentals of Book Repair

“I appreciate this kind of training being available online. Even before all our budget cuts, it was very difficult for me to get away from my library to go out of town to training events. It's hard enough to be away from library duties for two hours. This way, LYRASIS' excellent training is available to all of us.”

Anne Lawrence
Library Coordinator
Middle Georgia College, Dublin, GA

Savings

products



We know how time-consuming the processes of licensing e-resources and ordering library supplies can be. LYRASIS negotiates with suppliers, arranges license agreements, and develops cost-saving consortial programs. Savings achieved by ordering databases, e-books, e-journals, and library supplies through LYRASIS help you provide more services and resources to your community. Discounts are available for products and services from more than 100 vendors. You can also allocate funds in your My LYRASIS deposit account for purchases from all vendors, including OCLC. Visit www.lyrasis.org/vendors for a current list of available resources.

Services for Library Consortia

LYRASIS provides customized services to library consortia through our Consortial Licensing Program. We work with you to develop programs that meet the specific needs of your consortium. We can create a licensing program for you or augment your current program with our services, including handling vendor negotiations, coordinating group purchases, and providing specialized consulting services. For more information about LYRASIS Consortial Licensing Program, visit www.lyrasis.org/clp.



Photos: University of West Georgia

“Membership in LYRASIS allows us to maintain library resources in a climate of shrinking budgets by offering consortial pricing on key electronic collections and services.”

E. Lorene Flanders

Library Director

University of West Georgia, Carrollton, GA

Consulting

consulting



LYRASIS Consulting provides solutions to assist you and your staff with your most challenging projects in areas ranging from library management and leadership to preservation and digitization. LYRASIS experts, including national and regional consultants, have extensive experience in all areas of librarianship including:

- ◆ Assessment
- ◆ Collection development
- ◆ Organizational review
- ◆ Digitization
- ◆ Disaster preparedness and recovery
- ◆ Electronic resources management
- ◆ Facilities planning
- ◆ Focus groups
- ◆ Grant writing
- ◆ Website usability
- ◆ Library executive and advisory services
- ◆ Meeting facilitation
- ◆ Preservation
- ◆ Resource sharing
- ◆ Staff development
- ◆ Strategic planning
- ◆ Technology planning
- ◆ Workflow analysis

For a more comprehensive list, please visit www.lyrasis.com/consulting or contact LYRASIS directly.

Executive Consulting

LYRASIS offers personalized one-on-one consultations for current and emerging library leaders. This service provides a resource for you to test ideas and formulate strategies focused on your library's goals and objectives.

“In a public library environment, it is often difficult to find consultants to perform services at a reasonable price. LYRASIS understands the needs of libraries and is able to meet that need providing quality consulting service at a reasonable price.”

Janice G. Coduri
Director
Wellesley Public Library, Wellesley, MA

Leadership

LYRASIS works with members to develop opportunities to inspire ideas, provoke thought, and respond to change. As members of committees, authors of papers and publications, and as featured speakers at national and international conferences, LYRASIS members and staff are well-known industry thought leaders in every area of librarianship.

Conferences, Institutes, and Forums

Forward-thinking programs like LYRASIS Directors Forums, Technology Conference, and REFolution Conference focus on providing leaders with insights on issues, trends, and long-term planning options. More importantly, these events and state-specific Member Forums allow for networking and collaboration among peers.

Advisory Groups

LYRASIS Member Advisory Groups provide a critical voice in long-range planning as well as in the resolution of strategic issues. Group members offer guidance on program development, cost and pricing models, communication and promotion, evaluation, logistics, and future directions.

LYRASIS Awards

LYRASIS recognizes the contributions of librarians in advancing the profession with two awards each year; the LYRASIS Excellence Awards and the LYRASIS NextGen Librarian Awards. These awards not only celebrate success, but they also promote best practices across the entire membership.

“This gives us an opportunity to meet and exchange ideas and talk about our library experiences with our peers. Such opportunities are invaluable.”

Cedric Davis

Computer System Network Coordinator
Alabama State University, Montgomery, AL

Digital and Preservation Services

digital services



LYRASIS offers a full range of services to enable member libraries and organizations develop digital collections and improve their ability to maintain long-term, cost-effective access to information resources in traditional and digital collections. With the support of grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), many programs and services are available at no cost to LYRASIS members.

Our team can also partner with you in key areas such as collection surveys, preservation assessments, digital collections management system selection, analysis and redesign, user analysis, and digital repository development and implementation.

Training opportunities include:

- ◆ Digital project planning and management
- ◆ Digitization of cultural heritage collections (images, text, and audio)
- ◆ Metadata for digital collections
- ◆ Digital collections management systems
- ◆ Digital preservation
- ◆ Preservation classes and educational materials

Services:

- ◆ Free publications about protecting and conserving library archival collections
- ◆ Consulting
- ◆ Disaster preparedness and response
- ◆ Assistance with grant writing for NEH Preservation Assistance Grants
- ◆ Environmental Monitoring Equipment Loan Service

Exclusive LYRASIS Offering: LYRASIS Mass Digitization Collaborative

Supported in part through a grant from the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, the LYRASIS Mass Digitization Collaborative is a special opportunity that gives you the capability to build your own digital collection and to contribute historical and archival materials for digitization as part of our regional digital collection. Your digital resources are shared on the web through our partnership with the Internet Archive.

Technology

technology



LYRASIS recognizes that when it comes to technology resources, libraries often do not have the staff or time to harness the vast array of options to improve their operations and provide better service to patrons. LYRASIS works to not only help equip libraries with the resources they need, but also supports those institutions exploring the use of innovative new applications.

LYRASIS consultants can provide guidance for the effective use of technology in your library, including open source software such as website development using Drupal (open source content management) and Integrated Library System (ILS) development using Evergreen (open source ILS).

Available LYRASIS technology classes:

- ◆ Web Tools for Reference Librarians: Widgets and Toolbars
- ◆ Introduction to Drupal for Libraries
- ◆ Podcasting for Libraries
- ◆ Emerging Technologies for Library Managers
- ◆ Technology Planning for Library Managers
- ◆ Gaming in Libraries



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Member Support

My LYRASIS



You have a single point of contact through LYRASIS Member Support, our first line of assistance for all services. Our representatives are available to provide basic user support, assist with the purchasing of e-resources, answer questions about LYRASIS products and services, and advise you on effective implementation and use of services and programs.

Member Support is available to assist you weekdays between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., EST by phone at **800.999.8558**, by email at **membersupport@lyrasis.org**, or by **Live Chat**.



With a **my LYRASIS** Account, you can:

- ◆ Access your account information
- ◆ View invoices and payment activity
- ◆ Manage e-resources orders and renewals
- ◆ Update contact information
- ◆ Register for classes
- ◆ Post positions to the Job Bank (FREE)

“No other membership organization provides as much value, dollar for dollar, as LYRASIS.”

Lynn Sutton

Dean, Z. Smith Reynolds Library
Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC



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Not a Member Yet? Join LYRASIS

Participate in a community of colleagues who share diverse yet common goals. If your organization is not already a member, you can join LYRASIS today and start experiencing the benefits of networking, cost savings, and exclusive member services.

LYRASIS has two categories of membership, Institutional and Group, both of which have governing rights and responsibilities.

Institutional Members are single institutions, such as a university library, public library system, archives, museum, historical society, or similar organization. Institutional Members have access to all LYRASIS products and services at member level rates. All Institutional Members have voting privileges.

Group Members are networks and consortia of libraries and other cultural heritage organizations. A Group Member acquires specific LYRASIS products and services for the affiliated organizations it serves.

Please contact us at membership@lyrasis.org and start benefiting from the power of your LYRASIS membership.

join now



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“ I consider our LYRASIS membership one of the great bargains for our library. We feel we have a real ally in LYRASIS in maximizing our budget and helping to move our library forward.”

Elizabeth Dankert Hammond
Dean of University Libraries
and Associate Professor
Mercer University, Macon, GA

Photo: Free Library of Philadelphia

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