

## **For Immediate Release**

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### **NYLA Announces Digital Literacy Training Workshops to Promote Digital Literacy for All New Yorkers**

**Albany, NY.** The New York Library Association has announced the start of a series of workshops designed to instruct library staff on how to train the public, providing uniform and standardized digital literacy content throughout the state.

Being digitally literate allows people to interact using the tools and technologies that are increasingly being used at home, in school and in business. As NYLA trains the library community in teaching digital literacy, libraries will begin to offer workshops to the public to enhance their skills.

The workshops, will be held throughout the state over the next two years, and introduce the state recommended digital literacy curriculum to library staff. The goal of the program is to develop a cadre of trained library staff who can advance the digital literacy skills of their colleagues and patrons. The workshops are open to all library staff who interact with the public.

This project is a partnership between the New York State Office of Cyber Security & Critical Infrastructure and the New York Library Association to “convene, support, coordinate and enhance programs that provide digital literacy training.” This innovative project integrates and expands multiple New York statewide technology and broadband sustainability initiatives as well as leverages current private, state, and federal technology-related grant programs.

For more information, visit the program web site at [www.digitny.org](http://www.digitny.org) or contact Mary Anne Waltz, project manager and trainer, at 518-432-6952 x106 and [info@digitny.org](mailto:info@digitny.org).

#### About NYLA:

The New York Library Association (NYLA) is the voice of the library community in New York. NYLA is the oldest state library association in the country and represents school, college, special and public libraries, library staff, trustees, and students from around the state.

NYLA is the only statewide organization dedicated to advocating on behalf of all libraries and library staff in Albany and serves as the spokesperson on library matters to the media and public policymakers.

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