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Hello Session, Poster and Lightning Presenters for #2018VLA! Lots of info below, PLEASE READ!

We are so excited for the upcoming VLA Conference 2018, VLA: Revolution. This is going to be an awesome event, mainly because of all the work each of you are putting in to make our session selection amazing. We want to thank you in advance for sharing your expertise with Virginia libraries and beyond.

If you believe you have received this message in error, please contact vla.lisav@cox.net immediately.

In the week, VLA will send you a link to upload your session documents and slideshows so that we can share them with attendees. Deadlines and other information about format will be included in that message.

LAPTOPS: Presenters **MUST BRING THEIR OWN LAPTOP**. We cannot emphasize this enough. There will be a variety of connector cables available for your use, but if you have a Mac, please bring your own VGA cable. Technical support will be provided at the beginning of each session, and a screen and projector will be in each room.

ROOM SETUP: All rooms will be set theater-style, with rows of chairs facing the front of the room. There will be a table at the front of each room with space for seating. Rooms vary in size from seating for 30-

seating for 100. There will be 13 sessions happening in each time block and we anticipate 600 attendees at the conference. We are unable to predict how many people will be at your session.

PRESENTATION TIPS: [Here's a great article](#). We've also attached a tip sheet to this email. Other advice: If you are planning to show a video during your session, PLEASE DOWNLOAD THE VIDEO TO YOUR COMPUTER SO IT CAN BE PLAYED OFFLINE.

COMPLAINTS: VLA gets two major complaints about presentations on our evaluations each year. They are "don't read your slides to me, I can read!" and "Please repeat questions asked by the audience before you answer them, not everyone can hear the question."

ONLY COMING FOR MY SESSION: If you are only coming to present your session, you do not need to register for the conference. Please make Lisa Varga aware of this at vla.lisav@cox.net, if you haven't already. You will need to go to the registration desk (Lower Level of the Conference Center at the Colonial Williamsburg Lodge, 310 S. England Street, Williamsburg) upon arrival to pick up your name badge. Advance registration ends at 11:59 pm on September 12. If you've been waiting to register, do it asap to avoid a late fee!

VLA CONFERENCE PORTAL: If you lose this email, it will be posted on the VLA Conference Portal under "Presenter Information."

[Click here to view!](#)

Again, thank you in advance for presenting. This is going to be a great conference!

Sincerely,

The Presenter Liaison Team

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