

Health Science Librarians of Illinois
2021 Conference Planning Update
Summer Board Meeting
July 28, 2021

This year's annual conference will take place virtually October 27-29. Different platforms for hosting the conference have been discussed. The title of the conference chosen by the planning committee is "Beyond Starved Rock and a Hard Place: Navigating the Age of COVID." There is no specific theme. The committee chose not to charge HSLI members for the conference. Those outside of HSLI who would like to attend can join HSLI for the nominal membership fee of \$10.

Our keynote speaker will be Catherine Arnott Smith with whom we had a contract for last year's cancelled conference. The call will be sent out soon for Lightning Talks and Posters. Frances Drone-Silvers, Erin Kerby and Peggy Carey have been firming up Continuing Education sessions, while Linda Feinberg has been working on drafts of the program. Eric Edwards and Peg Burnette have secured vendor sponsorships, which include a 10-minute presentation for each vendor. 'Save the date' has gone out and the dates are on the conference page of the website, along with dates for next year's conference at Starved Rock.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chair 2021 HSLI Conference Committee