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# Library Camps and Unconferences

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## Description

More and more libraries are working to organize their own library camps or unconferences - open, friendly and refreshingly informal gatherings for librarians to unite, exchange ideas, and share knowledge. This book provides you with the practical, step-by-step guidance you need to bring your vision of organizing a library camp to life. Author Steve Lawson walks you through the process from start-to-finish, with guidance for setting a date and location, organizing important technological components, planning events, and gathering equipment. You'll find advice for setting a budget, marketing your camp, and conference-day management, as well as tips for dealing with unexpected problems and methods for evaluating your camp's success.

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