



## Upcoming Conference News

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### PPC Update

Maria Collins, PPC Chair

The NASIG program is really beginning to take shape. The Call for Proposals is complete, and the Program Planning Committee is beginning their review. PPC chairs will send out acceptance notifications for proposals by the end of January. The next area of the program that the PPC is working on completing will be the pre-conference offerings.

An exciting slate of vision speakers for the 2019 NASIG Conference has been selected including DeEtta Jones, Philip Schreur, and Amanda Levendowski. Please see their brief bios below. Additional information about the vision speakers will be included in a later issue of the NASIG Newsletter.



*Photo Courtesy of DeEtta Jones*

For over 20 years, DeEtta Jones has guided people and organizations through the process of fundamental transformation. She has been a leading voice in shaping contemporary thinking and practice around integrated and sustainable approaches to personal transformation, workplace culture, diversity and inclusion.

Before launching DeEtta Jones and Associates in 2005, she served for 10 years as Director of Diversity and then Director of the Office of Leadership and Management Services at the Association of Research Libraries, an international not-for-profit representing the largest research institutions in North America. In these roles, DeEtta was called upon as a thought-leader to set direction for the design and oversight of more than 9 international leadership programs, as well as a suite of professional development services including training and organization development. Prior to this, she was Director of Multicultural Education at Colorado State University and Director of Human Rights Advocacy and Education for the City of Fort Collins.

DeEtta has served as an adjunct faculty member, teaching undergraduate and graduate courses on leadership and diversity, at Colorado State University and the University of Maryland, College Park. DeEtta has a bachelor's degree in psychology, a master's degree in student affairs in higher education from Colorado State University, and an MBA from Johns Hopkins University. She lives outside of Chicago, with her husband and their children.



*Photo Courtesy of Philip Schreur*

Philip Schreur is currently the Associate University Librarian for Technical and Access Services at Stanford University. He earned a PhD from Stanford in medieval music theory and an MLIS from the University of California, Berkeley. Philip has been the chair of the Program for Cooperative Cataloging and deeply involved in the implementation of the new cataloging rules, *Resource, Description and Access (RDA)* in the United States. With a mid-career move to HighWire Press, he developed an interest in the automated taxonomic analysis of digital texts. Currently, he is in charge of coordinating linked-data project development for the Stanford University Libraries. Initial areas of interest include the use of linked data as a mechanism for identity management across traditional resources and those within the digital library, the integration of linked data from disparate sources, and the transition of traditional technical services workflows to processes rooted in linked open data.



*Photo Courtesy of Amanda Levendowski*

Amanda Levendowski will be joining Georgetown Law as an Associate Professor of Law and the founding director of the Intellectual Property and Information Policy Clinic. Her clinical projects and scholarship focus on novel approaches to cutting-edge legal problems at the intersection of intellectual property, information policy, and technology. Her recent work has examined ways to use trademarks for transparency about corporate surveillance technologies, approaches to advising clients with active contributing communities ("crowd-civic clients"), and the outsized role that copyright law plays in (un)biasing artificial intelligence. She also contributes to Wikipedia. Previously, Amanda co-taught the Technology Law and Policy Clinic at NYU Law. She tweets as @levendowski.