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NEWS

Upcoming Publication

The ATLA Press has accepted Richard Lammert’s manuscript for publication through its open access monograph program. The manuscript is tentatively entitled *Tackling the Foreign-Language Backlog: Transcription and Romanization for the Accidental Foreign-Language Cataloger*. The book includes material on descriptive cataloging of both Roman-script and non-Roman-script items. Richard writes in the introductory chapter, “You are not the only cataloger who has been asked to catalog material in a language not well-known (or even completely unknown) to you. It is my hope that the material in this book will help you in cataloging that foreign-language backlog (or, at least, in starting to tackle it).”

The section on Roman-script cataloging covers hurdles that can be encountered in what might otherwise seem straightforward cataloging. “Cases and Other Ways to Modify Words” introduces difficulties caused by languages that show grammatical connections by changing the word. Another chapter provides help for reading Fraktur script. The more extensive portion of the book is on Romanization of non–Roman–script languages, helping to fill in some of the implicit information gaps found in the ALA-LC Romanization tables.

While the production schedule for the book has not been established, Richard hopes that the book will be out by the annual conference next June.

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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Learn practical techniques for developing electronic collection including how to select, combine, and develop business models; how to negotiate; and how to work with and evaluate consortia partnerships.

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Caring for Collections: Preservation of Rare and Unusual Materials
This course aims to help participants evaluate and assess compromises in the care and keeping of collections.
   • November 5–30, 2018 • $175 • http://libraryjuiceacademy.com/107-caring-collections.php

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Experimenting with Controlled Vocabulary: Using the Cataloging Lab to Shape LCSH
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