



## Second Call for Papers and Posters!

You are invited to submit proposals for contributed papers and posters for the MAC/MLA 2008 Annual Meeting in Morgantown, WV on October 20 – 22. The meeting's theme is "Almost Heaven: Exploring New Vistas." The 2008 Planning Committee invites MAC members to submit proposals related to:

- How High & How Far? - Share what your library is doing to keep your staff and users happy. What changes in service, operation, or building have been implemented?
- Looking to the Horizon - How are you planning for the future? How have you been able to create opportunities?
- A Little Closer to Heaven - How are you collaborating with other libraries, health professionals, agencies or others? What strategies have you found in creating successful partnerships?
- Totally New Vistas - What new technologies have you experimented with or introduced at your library?

Have other ideas? We'd love to hear them! Please share your research and ideas with your colleagues.

Submit two copies of the abstract (300 word maximum). Proposals must be submitted in the format of structured abstracts. For more information see <http://www.scmla.org/abformat.htm> or <http://research.mlanet.org/>. Include a list of authors, their institutional affiliations, email addresses, and telephone numbers with the first copy of the abstract. The second copy will be used in a blind review process and should not include any specific information that would identify either the authors or their institutions. Abstracts will be evaluated on originality, innovation, organization and clarity of presentation, as well as relevance to improving service or practice. The primary author will be notified of the committee's decision in August. Additional information (i.e. time, location, setup instructions, etc.) will be sent with acceptance notification. **Note:** Those presenting in Morgantown must be registered for the meeting.

**Contributed Papers:** Email abstracts to Susan Simpson at [simpsons@ecu.edu](mailto:simpsons@ecu.edu) using a Word attachment.

**Posters:** Presenters should plan to be available to staff posters during a 45 minute poster session. Each presenter's area will be provided with a poster board (8' x 4'). Electrical connections and tables will not be available. Email abstracts to Brandi Tuttle at [brandi.tuttle@duke.edu](mailto:brandi.tuttle@duke.edu) using a Word attachment.

To ensure that MAC members are able to make the most of the annual meeting experience, MAC has established a mentoring program to support members with little or no experience in preparing posters or presenting papers. For more information about working with or serving as a mentor, see [http://www.cbil.vcu.edu/mac/pd/poster\\_paper\\_mentor.html](http://www.cbil.vcu.edu/mac/pd/poster_paper_mentor.html). To help you get started now with posters, see the Jan. 2007 NN/LM SE/A presentation on creating posters using PowerPoint at <http://nmlm.gov/sea/services/webconf/Jan2007/jan092007.html>

**The deadline for submitting abstracts has been extended to June 30, 2008.**