

Meet the New(ish) Librarians

InULA is an organization focused on the librarian not the library, the person not the job. In the interest of getting to know each other better as people, InULA Notes imposed on several new(ish) librarians to share some of their personal history and interests. Read on to learn about Hong Cheng (IUS), Courtney Greene (IUB), Rhonda Huisman (IUPUI), Meagan Lacy (IUPUI), and Willie Miller (IUPUI).



Hong Cheng, Instruction & Reference Librarian, IUS

Where did you go to library school? Indiana University, Bloomington

What are you reading? What is at home by your bedside or comfy chair? *Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything* by Steven D. Levitt

Is there any professional literature that has recently caught your interest? Broadly speaking, I found *Value of Academic Libraries: A Comprehensive Research Review and Report* by Megan Oakleaf and *How College Students Seek Information in the Digital Age* by Alison J. Head and Michael B. Eisenberg very useful. I'm now reading literature about developing online tutorials.

What website or listserv have you found most useful recently? The listserv of the ACRL Instruction Section

What music are you listening to? *21 Guns* by Green Day

What is the last movie you saw? Was it in a theater or on DVD? *Beetlejuice*, directed by Tim Burton, as part of the Halloween celebration. I never get tired of Tim Burton.

Hobbies? Obsessions? Interests? Cooking Chinese food, baking American cakes, and trying all Indian restaurants in town. Plus, karaoke, hiking, & babies.



Courtney Greene, Head of Digital User Experience Department, IUB

Where did you go to library school? Indiana University, Bloomington

What are you reading? What is at home by your bedside or comfy chair? I review cookbooks and books on food history, etc. for Library Journal, so as part of that, I just started *A Tiger in the Kitchen: A Memoir of Food & Family* by Cheryl Lu-Lien Tan.

Is there any professional literature that has recently caught your interest? Two library blogs that I often find thought-provoking are Char Booth's [Info-mational](#) and [In the Library with the Lead Pipe](#).

What website or listserv have you found most useful recently? I really like [Smashing Magazine](#), it has a great mix of content related to web design, development, and such. Plus their practice of posting 50 reader-submitted desktop calendar designs each month is always fun.

What music are you listening to? So many things, but lately I've had Spoon, Blind Pilot, Vampire Weekend, the Swell Season, and Sea Wolf on heavy rotation in the car.

What is the last movie you saw? Was it in a theater or on DVD? I've been working my way through *The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency* series on DVD and I'm really enjoying it so far.

Hobbies? Obsessions? Interests? I like to cook, I've been learning to play guitar, and now that I've got a yard (yay!), I'm looking forward to more gardening come spring.



Rhonda Huisman, Assistant Librarian, Liaison to the School of Education, Center for Teaching and Learning, IUPUI

Where did you go to library school? University of Missouri-Columbia

What are you reading? I usually read several books at once. Right now, *Mockingjay* by Suzanne Collins and re-reading *Heart Shaped Box* by Joe Hill. Also, *Qualitative Inquiry and Research Design* by John Creswell (for class).

What is at home by your bedside or comfy chair? Lots of magazines and books, a cup of strong black coffee, and an iPod doc. Nala, our 9 month old German shepherd mix is never far from my feet.

Is there any professional literature that has recently caught your interest? First Year Experience/Freshman orientation and instruction, and open access textbooks and publishing. I never miss an issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education*.

What music are you listening to? Pandora--my "Dave Brubeck" or "John Mayer" stations.

What is the last movie you saw? Was it in a theater or on DVD? *Inception* at the drive-in--2nd time seeing it (less confusing the second time around).

Hobbies? Obsessions? Interests? I love shopping and decorating, and in another life, would have been a chef--cooking and food are love at my house. I like traveling and going to conferences, writing stories, and spending time with my kids at flea markets and record stores.



Meagan Lacy, Spanish, Philosophy, and Classical Studies Liaison Librarian, IUPUI

Where did you go to library school? University of Washington

What are you reading? What is at home by your bedside or comfy chair? I am finishing *How the Garcia Girls Lost their Accents* by Julia Alvarez. Next up is *Pedro Páramo* by Juan Rulfo.

Is there any professional literature that has recently caught your interest? I am interested in any literature that helps me be a more effective teacher and educator.

What website or listserv have you found most useful recently? [The Handbook of Latin American Studies](#), edited by the Library of Congress. I like browsing titles that have recently been translated.

What music are you listening to? Manu Chao's *Merry Blues* is one song I keep putting on repeat. Also, I haven't taken the Arcade Fire's newest album, *The Suburbs*, out of my car stereo in over a month.

What is the last movie you saw? Was it in a theater or on DVD? The last movie that I saw at a theater was *The Social Network*, and the last movie I watched on DVD was *Mujeres al Borde de un Ataque de Nervios (Women on the Verge on a Nervous Breakdown)*. I am always looking for a good laugh.

Hobbies? Obsessions? Interests? I like to read, of course, and I dabble in writing. Occasionally, I have the penchant to sew, bead, cross-stitch, or latch hook something. I'm obsessed with baked goods and am currently on a quest for the perfect cinnamon roll. My main interest is traveling; I am going to Mexico for the first time this month to attend the *Feria Internacional del Libro*.



Willie Miller, Informatics and Journalism Liaison Librarian, IUPUI

Where did you go to library school? Indiana University, Bloomington

What are you reading? What is at home by your bedside or comfy chair? *Foreskin's Lament: a Memoir* by Shalom Auslander

Is there any professional literature that has recently caught your interest? Yes, I've been reading *Writing and Publishing: the Librarian's Handbook* edited by Carol Smallwood and *Grown Up Digital: How the Net Generation is Changing Your World* by Don Tapscott.

What website or listserv have you found most useful recently? I think the ALA's Information

Literacy Instruction Discussion list is really helpful.

What music are you listening to? *Wake Up* from John Legend & the Roots

What is the last movie you saw? Was it in a theater or on DVD? I saw *A Single Man* on DVD

Hobbies? Obsessions? Interests? iPads

Are you new or do you know a new librarian that we should contact? Let us know! Send an e-mail to Summer Durrant, tritts@ipfw.edu.