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# LIBRARY NEWS

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## FINAL SPRING SOAR SESSION THIS MONTH

The SOAR Sessions are a series of workshops featuring experts on a variety of topics pertaining to scholarship, open access, and research. Each session will include an overview of the topic, examples and best practices, and a time for audience questions and participation. The sessions are open to anyone, but faculty are especially encouraged to attend.

### Open Repositories

March 22, 2 p.m.

Presenter: Paul Royster

Coordinator of Scholarly Communications, University of Nebraska

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## 2023 SOUTHERN MISS INSTITUTIONAL REPOSITORY CONFERENCE

APRIL 27 - 28, 2023

[Registration](#) for the 2023 Southern Miss Institutional Repository Conference (SMIRC) is now open.

SMIRC is an opportunity for Institutional Repository (IR) managers to come together and learn about new ideas and strategies that their colleagues are using at their institution to meet the needs of their faculty, staff, and students. It is also a chance for institutions that do not currently have an IR to discover the benefits that an IR can offer in terms of promoting the scholarship and research of their university.

SMIRC consists of speakers, panel discussions, and workshops that will address topics ranging from the basics of IRs to new ideas for longtime IR managers. The presentations will also include speakers who use a variety of different IR platforms, thus allowing attendees to compare the different options that are available to them.

[REGISTRATION AND  
SCHEDULE](#)

# MEET THE 2023 EZRA JACK KEATS AWARD COMMITTEE

The Ezra Jack Keats Award (for illustration, writing, and honors in both categories) was established to recognize and encourage emerging talent in the field of children's books. A distinguished selection committee of children's literature and early childhood education specialists, librarians, authors and illustrators reviews the entries, seeking engaging books that portray the universal qualities of childhood, a strong and supportive family, and the multicultural nature of our world.

The Ezra Jack Keats Award was co-presented by the New York Public Library from 1986 to 2011. Since 2012, the de Grummond Children's Literature Collection has co-presented the award at the Children's Book Festival, held in April at The University of Southern Mississippi, in Hattiesburg.

The 2023 Ezra Jack Keats Award winners will be announced on March 14!

## [2023 Ezra Jack Keats Award Committee](#)



THE SECRET OF THE OLD CLOCK  
BY CAROLYN KEENE

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