

Awful Library Books

Hoarding is not collection development



FAQs about Hiring ALB

To book a speaking engagement with Holly and Mary of Awful Library Books (ALB Partners), please review our frequently asked questions and contact us at submit@awfullibrarybooks.net. Please note that most fees are negotiable. We work in public libraries and have been on conference committees, so we understand budget limitations.

Q: What are our credentials?

A: We both have Masters Degrees in Library and Information Science from Wayne State University. We have a lot of experience speaking at workshops and conferences, both around the U.S. and internationally. We have given keynote presentations and breakout sessions, been interviewed for podcasts and radio shows, and have even been on national TV. For a full list of our past performances and publications, please go to awfullibrarybooks.net/hire. We also co-wrote a book called *Making a Collection Count: A Holistic Approach to Library Collection Management* (2nd edition 2013).

Q: What can we talk about?

A: Any presentation listed at slideshare.net/awfullibrarybooks is fair game. If you have an idea for a different topic, just run it by us. Presentations are customized for each audience. We are also available for consulting projects like collection analysis, inventory, writing collection management policies, or training staff to do the same.

Q: What equipment do we require?

A: We can work with whatever you've got. A projector and screen are preferred. Two separate microphones are also preferred. We can provide a laptop. An internet connection is not necessary.

Q: How much do we charge?

A: Remember, everything is negotiable! Prices are dependent on the scope of the project and the location. Please ask for a quote for a consulting project. Prices are all-inclusive of honorarium and travel expenses.

- \$3,000 for one presentation up to 90-minutes long in locations that require air travel. \$1,000 extra per each added 90-minute program. Prices for international travel may vary; please ask for a quote.
- \$2,000 for one presentation up to 90-minutes long in locations within a 4-hour drive of Detroit. \$1,000 extra per each added 90-minute program.
- \$1,000 for each presentation up to 90-minutes long in locations within a 1-hour drive of Detroit.

Q: How can you pay?

A: You can pay via PayPal to awfullibrarybooks@gmail.com or a check made out to ALB Partners. Full balance is due within 30 days of receiving invoice, unless other arrangements have been made.