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PANELISTS



KATHERINE GIBSON

Associate Manager

Enterprise Square Library, Edmonton Public Library

Katherine received her MLIS from McGill University in Montreal before working at the Richmond Public Library in British Columbia, Canada. After a year and half there she took up teaching English in Japan and finally settled down at the Edmonton Public Library in 2010. Aside from helping to manage the Enterprise Square Library, Katherine is the chair of Capital City Press, EPL's new initiative to support local writers. Although it officially launched at the beginning of March this year, Indie Author Day 2016 was one of its first initiatives. Since then, Capital City Press has begun spotlighting local writers on its website, hosting panels and author talks throughout the city, and is about to run its inaugural festival at the end of May. The festival will include author talks, panels, workshops, autograph sessions and a book fair featuring Albertan writers and publishers. Katherine is excited to be a part of this growing movement to support local writing and hopes she can share some of what she has learned over the past year.

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JEFFREY FISHER

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Jeffrey P. Fisher is Studio Services Manager at Studio 300 in Fountaindale Public Library (Bolingbrook, Ill.), one of the nation's premier digital media labs. He also writes extensively including over a dozen published music, audio, and video industry books and numerous articles online and in-print. His recent Quick Read title, *Building and Operating A Digital Media Lab*, was published by the Public Library Association. He's a two-time NaNoWriMo winner and is always interested in helping writers with their craft and career.



JOHN DAQUINO

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John Daquino is an Information Specialist at Montclair Public Library (Montclair, New Jersey), where he works on a number of projects and initiatives revolving around digital inclusion and eLibrary services, in addition to developing series of events for job seekers, small business owners, and local writers.

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ROBIN CUTLER

Director

IngramSpark

Robin is committed to helping independent publishers easily get their content into the hands of readers around the globe. To help make this happen, Robin Cutler leads the development of IngramSpark and continues to support and refine the platform to better serve independent publishers around the world.

Robin began her career in publishing over 30 years ago in university publishing when she designed the first of over 1000 titles. After serving as Assistant Director at USC Press and Executive Director of University Relations at the University of Wisconsin, she started a trade imprint, SummerHouse Press, and served as its CEO. Robin most recently worked as Vendor Manager for Amazon/CreateSpace.

Robin has broad knowledge of indie, academic and trade publishing and is an expert in content creation and distribution, on-demand models, marketing and author strategies. Robin is a leader in the independent publishing space, and when not developing new programs and services for IngramSpark, she can often be found sharing her expertise at industry events around the world.

She holds a B.A. in Journalism from the University of South Carolina.

Robin is an avid reader and enjoys writing, cooking and collecting art from her travels. Follow Robin on Twitter at #rcutlerspark and be sure to check out IngramSpark on Facebook, on Twitter #ingramspark and visit the website at www.ingramspark.com