



Newsletter

It's all change this month! The announcement of the first library visit by cpd25 for over two years is very welcome. Always a popular element of the annual programme, the site visits are a great way of helping us understand how other libraries work, and gathering ideas to try back at base. It is very positive that they are returning. On a personal note this week sees the end of my time as Chair of the Consortium. I can't say it hasn't had its challenges - notably operating during the pandemic and dealing with the financial situation - but overall it has been a very enjoyable and interesting experience - and I would recommend it! It has been a privilege collaborating with so many talented and dedicated colleagues; and with your support and input I shall enjoy watching the M25 go from strength to strength in future.

Matthew Lawson, M25 Consortium Chair

M25 Conference 2022 recordings

'All things being equal: the regional contribution of libraries'



Thank you to all of this year's conference speakers for a diverse range of talks and a brilliant day at the M25 Conference last month. We're delighted to share with you recordings of the talks from the day exclusively in the [Members' Area: Virtual Learning and Development section](#) of the website.

[Members' Virtual Learning and Development](#)



M25 Curator and Exhibitions Network

The Curator and Exhibitions Network supports individuals working in M25 Member libraries with curatorial responsibilities or holding curator roles within the library service. The Network will be holding quarterly workshops to share experiences, best practices and to act as a professional support network.

The next workshop will focus on 'Accreditation', covering museum accreditation, archive accreditation and designated collection status,

with a particular focus on the application process.

The first workshop took place on the 24th March with a focus on 'Exhibitions'. You can watch the recording here:

[Curator and Exhibitions Network - M25 \(m25lib.ac.uk\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

If you would like to learn more about this workshop or join the Curator and Exhibitions Network mailing list please contact m25libadmin@london.ac.uk

[Curator and Exhibitions Network](#)

M25 Mentoring Scheme

The M25 Mentoring Scheme is open for mentees to be matched with mentors.

The scheme is intended to support non-senior staff in the Consortium's member libraries and will dovetail with [SCONUL's mentoring scheme](#) for senior staff. The core purpose of the scheme is to support library staff in their professional growth by facilitating mentoring relationships with more experienced colleagues. The scheme also aims to support the progression of LGBTQ+ and BAGM staff by giving mentees the opportunity to be matched with a mentor from a specific group or background. Both partners will learn and gain from the experience.



Full details including guidelines and application forms can be found on our website:

[Mentoring Scheme](#)



M25 Vouchers

Deadline 31 July 2022

This is a reminder to all members with M25 vouchers remaining from 2021-22 that voucher credit will remain valid until 31 July 2022.

Vouchers for 2022-23 are now available for purchase. If you wish to take advantage of this scheme, please email Jeni Kutaika Billiard (Administrator – Finance & Reporting) at: m25sgadmin@london.ac.uk

Vouchers can be used for: **Membership subscriptions, cpd25 training, Annual conference delegate fees, Directors' Briefings delegate fees.**

[M25 Vouchers](#)

cpd25 Visits for M25 Members

cpd25 is delighted to announce the return of Visits for M25 Members, after a break of nearly two and a half years! The first visit will be to London South Bank University's long-awaited renovation of its London Road building, renamed as the LSBU Hub and new home of Library and Learning Resources.



Join cpd25 on the **10th August** for a tour of this new space, which includes an integrated Digital Skills Centre and Archives. Visits are free to attend but registration is required:

[Visit to the LSBU Hub](#)

Peer organisations:

SCONUL: <https://www.sconul.ac.uk/>

Mercian Collaboration: <https://merciancollaboration.org.uk/>

White Rose Libraries: <https://whiterose.ac.uk/projects/white-rose-libraries/>

Northern Collaboration: <https://northerncollaboration.org.uk/>

NoWAL: <https://www.nowal.ac.uk/>

SCURL: <https://www.scurl.ac.uk/about>

WHELP: <https://whelf.ac.uk/>

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