

Sommer Browning

Education

January 2009, MSLIS, Long Island University, Library and Information Science

May 2004, MFA, University of Arizona, Poetry

May 1998, BA, University of Mary Washington, Philosophy

Professional Experience

January 2019 to present, Technical Services, Associate Director, Auraria Library

September 2017 to December 2018, Technical and Financial Services, Associate Director, Auraria Library

July 2016 to August 2017, Technical Services, Interim Associate Director, Auraria Library

November 2015 to March 2019, Resource Management, Head, Auraria Library

September 2013 to October 2015, Electronic Access & Discovery Services, Head, Auraria Library

April 2013 to August 2013, Discovery Services Librarian, Auraria Library

January 2011 to March 2013, Librarian, National Institute of Corrections

May 2009 to June 2010, Metadata Librarian, SUNY Maritime College

Peer Reviewed Publications, Exhibitions, Performances, etc.

2017 Glazier, R. and Browning, S. (2017) Acquisition to Cataloging: Examining the Handoff in Electronic Resources Workflow. *Against the Grain*, 29(1); 40-43.

2015 Browning, S. (2015). The Discovery–Collection Librarian Connection: Cultivating Collaboration for Better Discovery. *Collection Management*, 40(4); 197-206.

2015 Browning, S. (2015). Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems. *Journal of Electronic Resources Librarianship*, 27(1); 26-34.

Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

2019 Glazier, R. and Browning, S. “E-Resource Management Strategies for an Informal Consortium,” book chapter in *Transforming Acquisitions and Collection Services: Perspectives on Collaboration Within and Across Libraries*, Purdue University Press, West Lafayette, Indiana: 2019, 343-361.

Grants

Completed

- 2019** Colorado Department of Education, State Grant to Libraries, \$15,037, funded
- 2019** Auraria Participatory Budgeting Committee, \$11,000, funded
- 2019** CU Denver Office of Diversity & Inclusive Excellence, \$3,000, funded
- 2018** CU Denver Office of Research Services, \$400, funded
- 2018** University of Colorado Diversity & Inclusive Excellence Grant, \$2,678.50, unfunded
- 2018** Charleston Library Conference Fast Pitch 2018, SILLVR, \$2,500, unfunded
- 2018** Institute of Museum and Library Services, Promoting Inclusive Graduate Research: Supporting MLIS Student Scholarship in Equity, Access, Community, and Diversity in Academic Libraries, \$66,865, unfunded
- 2018** Institute of Museum and Library Services, National Forum on Interlibrary Loan of Streaming Resources, \$69,197, unfunded
- 2018** Colorado Department of Education, State Grant to Libraries, \$13,038, funded
- 2018** Charleston Library Conference Fast Pitch 2016, SILLVR, \$2,500, unfunded
- 2017** Colorado Department of Education, State Grant to Libraries, \$13,286, funded
- 2016** Colorado Department of Education, State Grant to Libraries, \$13,809, funded
- 2016** CU Denver Office of Research Services, \$500, funded
- 2016** Charleston Library Conference Fast Pitch 2016, RelaxMap, \$2,500, unfunded

In preparation

- 2019** University of Colorado Diversity & Inclusive Excellence Grant

Other Indicators of Scholarly and Creative Activity (Selected)

- 2019** Citation of book chapter in book, Poet-Librarians in the Library of Babel: Innovative Meditations on Librarianship (Kinniburgh, M.C. (2019). The Space Between Researcher, Object, Institution: Building Collaborative Knowledge with Primary Sources. *The Journal of Interactive Technology & Pedagogy*, 14.
- 2019** Arthyve Fellowship, Denver, CO
- 2019** Poetry Reading, Crowley Theater, Marfa, TX
- 2019** Lighthouse Writers LitFest, Faculty
- 2019** Poetry Reading, Bryant Park Reading Series, New York, NY
- 2018** Citation of peer reviewed article, Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems (Brett, K. (2018). A comparative analysis of electronic resources access problems at two university libraries. *Journal of Electronic Resources Librarianship*, 30(4), 198-204.

- 2018** Citation of peer reviewed article, Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems (Heaton, R. (2018). Tools for troubleshooting: Which ones and what for. *Journal of Electronic Resources Librarianship*, 30(1), 9-26.
- 2018** Citation of peer reviewed article, The Discovery–Collection Librarian Connection: Cultivating Collaboration for Better Discovery. (Stachokas, G. (2018). The Electronic Resources Librarian: From Public Service Generalist to Technical Services Specialist. *Technical Services Quarterly*, 35(1), 1-27.)
- 2018** Citation of peer reviewed article, The Discovery–Collection Librarian Connection: Cultivating Collaboration for Better Discovery (Kendall, S.K. (2018). "Discovery of the Health Sciences Collection." *Health Sciences Collection Management for the Twenty-First Century*. Rowman & Littlefield Publishers: Lanham, Maryland, 173-191.)
- 2017** Citation of peer reviewed article, The Discovery–Collection Librarian Connection: Cultivating Collaboration for Better Discovery. (Somerville, M. M. and Bruce, C.S. (2017). "From transaction to transformation: organizational learning and knowledge creation experience within Informed Systems," *Information Literacy in the Workplace*. Facet: London, 41-55.)
- 2017** Citation of peer reviewed article, Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems. (Somerville, M. M. and Bruce, C.S. (2017). "From transaction to transformation: organizational learning and knowledge creation experience within Informed Systems," *Information Literacy in the Workplace*. Facet: London, 41-55.)
- 2017** Citation of peer reviewed article, Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems (Carter, S., Traill, S. (2017). Essential skills and knowledge for troubleshooting e-resources access issues in a web-scale discovery environment. *Journal of Electronic Resources Librarianship*, 35(1), 1-27.)
- 2017** "100 Colorado Creatives 4.0: Sommer Browning" *Westword*, interview with Susan Froyd, September 5, 2017
- 2017** Poetry Reading, Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn, NY
- 2017** "Connection and Connecting with Sommer Browning," *Maudlin House*, interview with Nikki Barnhart, May 13, 2017
- 2017** "Poet and Comic Artist Sommer Browning on Libraries in a 'Cannibalistic Country'", *Westword*, interview with Bree Davies, March 2, 2017
- 2016** Citation of peer reviewed article, Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems (Somerville, M., Kloda, Lorie A. (2016). "Academic Libraries," *Being Evidence Based in Library and Information Practice*. ALA Neal-Shuman: Chicago, 93-104.)
- 2016** Browning, S. *Want to Hear About this Dream I Had*. Reality Beach, Albany, NY, a collection of poetry
- 2016** Citation of peer reviewed article, Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems (Goldfinger, R., Hemhauser, M. (2016).

- Looking for Trouble (Tickets): A Content Analysis of University of Maryland, College Park E-Resource Access Problem Reports. *Serials Review*, 42(2), 84-97.)
- 2016** Citation of peer reviewed article, Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems (Shrauger, K., Calabrese, C., Spyers-Duran II, P. (2016) ILL data drives technical services projects. *Technical Services Quarterly*, 33(1), 14-22.)
- 2016** Poetry Reading, KGB Bar, New York City
- 2015** Live On Stage Interview, Denver Small Press Festival
- 2015** Browning, S. *The Circle Book*. Cuneiform Press: Austin, TX, an artist book
- 2014** Poetry Reading, Duke University, Lilly Library
- 2014** Browning, S. *Backup Singers*. Birds, LLC, Brooklyn, NY, a collection of poetry
- 2011** Poetry Reading, Juniper Literary Festival, University of Massachusetts Amherst
- 2011** Browning, S. *Either Way I'm Celebrating*. Birds, LLC, Brooklyn, NY, a collection of poetry and comics

Non-Peer Reviewed Books and Book Chapters

- 2018** Tharp, S., & Browning, S. (2018). *Poet-librarians in the Library of Babel: Innovative meditations on librarianship*. Sacramento, CA: Library Juice Press.

Non-Peer Reviewed Publications, Exhibitions, Performances, etc.

- 2017** Browning, S. and DiVittorio, K. (2017) Resource Management: Reorganizing to Reassess and Remain Sane. *Against the Grain*, 29(2), 69-71.
- 2016** Browning, S., DiVittorio, K, Filipetti, Swauger, S. ATG Special Report—The Charleston Library Conference Fast Pitch 2016. *Against the Grain*, 28(6): 46.
- 2014** Browning, S. Librarian Feature. *Evening Will Come: A Monthly Journal of Poetics*. Issue 44, August 2014. Introduction and edited the issue. Retrieved from: <http://www.thevolta.org/ewc44-sbrowning-intro-p1.html> This issue has been viewed approximately 1,765 times (as of December 15, 2014) and was featured in the August 6, 2014 issue of *American Libraries Direct*, a “tightly curated” electronic newsletter sent to over 55,000 members of the American Libraries Association.
- 2014** Browning, S., Guedon, J., and Kaplan, L. “Metadata and Open Access: Reliably Finding Content and Finding Reliable Content.” *Too much is Not Enough! Charleston Conference Proceedings 2013*. (2014) Against the Grain Press: Indiana, 505-511.
- 2012** Browning, S. “Augmenting Library Reality: Real Solutions for Incorporating the Virtual into the Physical.” *Colorado Libraries*, (36)3.

Peer Reviewed Presentations at Meetings/Conferences

- 2019** American Library Association Annual Conference, Washington DC, *Streaming video: Confronting the barriers to sharing between libraries*. Approximately 100 professionals in attendance.
- 2019** Colorado Resource Sharing Conference, Westminster, CO, *ILL Options for Streaming Video*. Approximately 20 professionals in attendance.
- 2019** Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference, Austin, TX, *The Licensing Elephant in the Room: Resource Sharing for Streaming Video*. Approximately 60 professionals in attendance.
- 2019** Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference, Austin, TX, *Attack of the Clones!: Finding, Preventing, Merging, or Even Keeping Duplicate Ebooks*. Approximately 60 professionals in attendance.
- 2018** Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference, Austin, TX, *I'm Nobody! Who are You? Electronic Access for Special User Categories*
- 2018** Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference, Austin, TX, *The Artist Librarian: A Panel on Creativity in Librarianship*. Approximately 30 professionals in attendance.
- 2015** Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference, Austin, TX, *Discovery Before Purchase?!: Deepening the Relationship between Discovery and Collection Development*. Approximately 100 professionals in attendance.
- 2014** American Library Association Annual Conference, Las Vegas, NV, *E-Books: Discovering the Virtual Backlog*. Approximately 125 professionals in attendance.
- 2014** Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference, Austin, TX, *Beyond "I Clicked the Link, But It Didn't Work!": What Analyzing Troubleshooting Reveals*. Approximately 60 professionals in attendance.
- 2013** Charleston Conference, Charleston, SC, *Metadata and Open Access – Reliably Finding Content and Finding Reliable Content*. (50 attendees).

Non-Peer Reviewed Presentations at Meetings/Conferences

- 2016** NASIG (formerly the North American Serials Interest Group), Albuquerque, NM, *Dude Where's My Staff?* Approximately 100 professionals in attendance.

Invited Presentations at Meetings/Conferences

- 2019** CALCON, Colorado Association of Libraries Annual Conference, *Discover Academic Librarianship—Career Exploration and Mentorship Opportunities*, invited member of panel discussion, (20 attendees)
- 2017** Academic Library Planning and Revitalization Institute, Academic Impressions, invited member of panel discussion, (30 attendees)

- 2017** Prospector Cataloging/Reference Meeting, Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries, *Sierra Migration*, invited to give a presentation on the library's software migration from Millennium to Sierra (20 attendees)
- 2014** National Information Standards Organization (NISO) Two-Day Virtual Conference: Using the Web as an E-Content Distribution Platform: Challenges and Opportunities, *Panel Discussion Introduction: What Libraries Still Need from Discovery Layers*, invited to moderate and curate the 4 person panel (40 attendees)
- 2014** Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference, Austin, TX, *Garbage Dump or Buffet: Librarian Adoption of Web-Scale Discovery Services*, invited member of panel discussion (60 attendees)

Peer Reviewed Publications, Exhibitions, Performances, etc. in Preparation

- 2019** Co-author, "User Categories: Ensuring Library Access for All Institutional Users," to be submitted in October 2019
- 2019** Co-author, "SILLVR: Interlibrary Loan for Streaming Video," to be submitted in September 2019

Peer Reviewed Books and Book Chapters in Preparation

- 2020** Author, *Sudden Selector's Guide to Poetry*, Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) Publishing
- 2020** Author, "Auraria Library: One Technical Services Department, Three Institutions," book chapter in *Library Technical Services: Adapting to a Changing Environment*, Purdue University Press, in press

Service

Professional Organizations

- 2019** Colorado Academic Library Association Mentor
- 2015-present** National Information Standards Organization (NISO) Education Committee Member
- 2014-2018** Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) Fundraising Committee Member

Community Service (selected)

- 2019** Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Callie Charry; Final Project for LIS 4050: Library and Information Technologies; Associate Professor Shimelis Assefa; Interview for University of Denver MSLIS candidate's final project
- 2019** Visiting Lecturer for Art & Language class; Professor Carin Rodenborn; Rocky Mountain College of Art and Design, Denver
- 2018** Visiting Lecturer for Creative Writing class; Red Rocks Community College, Denver
- 2018** Women Writing in the West Literary Awards (WILLA), judge, poetry
- 2017** Visiting Lecturer for 12th grade English class; Victory Preparatory Academy, Denver
- 2017** Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Jennifer L. Dickenson; Final Project for IST 613: Library Planning, Marketing, and Assessment; Professor Megan Oakleaf; Partner Librarian for Syracuse University MSLIS candidate's final project
- 2017** Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Karen Cohen; Final Paper for Leadership Course; Interviewed by Walden University PhD candidate for Leadership Course
- 2017** Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Benny Chen; Final Paper for English Class; Interviewed by Heritage High School junior for career research paper
- 2017** Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Nicholas Scroggins; Final Project for FITV 3055 - Documentary Production; Professor Jim Phalen; Interviewed by University of Colorado Denver student for final film project
- 2016** Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Patrick Culliton, Paper for Masters of Library Science Degree Core Course: Foundations of Library and Information Science LIS 60600; Kent State University; Served as consultant for graduate student's final paper
- 2016** Women Writing in the West Literary Awards (WILLA), judge, poetry
- 2015** Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Emily Dommermuth; Paper for Masters of Library Science Degree Core Course: Library Information Technologies; University of Denver; Served as consultant for graduate student's final paper
- 2014** Women Writing in the West Literary Awards (WILLA), judge, non-fiction
- 2014** *Virtual Verse in the Library: Surveying the e-Poetry Landscape*; consultant and reviewer for this peer-reviewed project
- 2014** Visiting Lecturer for "Managing Licensed Electronic Resources in Information Organizations"; School of Library and Information Management Emporia State University
- 2014** Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Lily Kosmicki; Manager Report for Masters of Library Science Degree Course; University of Denver; Served as consultant for graduate student's final project
- 2014** Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Herbert Khaleel ; *A Written Approach to Therapy*; Major Paper for English 1020-001; Professor Hoge; Interviewed by Metropolitan State University of Denver student for major paper

Institutional Service (Department/Primary Unit)

- 2015-present** Research Evaluation Committee, Chair
- 2014-2018** Shared Leadership Team, Secretary
- 2014-2015** Auraria Library Faculty, Chair
- 2013-2016** Faculty Research Fund Subcommittee, Chair

Institutional Service (CU Denver Campus)

- 2019** Research and Creative Activities Faculty Excellence Award Selection Committee
- 2016-present** CU Denver Budget Priorities Committee, Secretary
- 2016-2018** CU Denver Auraria Library Director Search Committee
- 2015-2018** CU Denver Faculty Assembly

Institutional Service (CU University System)

- 2019** CU Libraries Summit Planning Committee
- 2019** CU Libraries Assessment Committee
- 2013-2016** CU Libraries Access & Discovery (CLAD) committee, Chair

Awards/Honors

- 2019** Harvard Leadership Institute for Academic Librarians program
- 2018** Excellence in Research and Creative Activities Award, CU Denver
- 2016** Excellence in Leadership Program Fellow, CU System
- 2015** Excellence in Librarianship Award, CU Denver