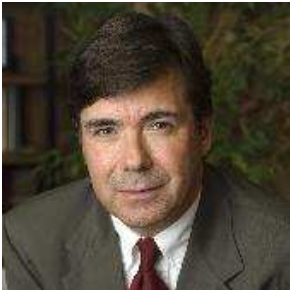




About VALE Next Generation Academic Library Symposium Speakers

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Joseph Lucia is the University Librarian and Director of Falvey Memorial Library at Villanova University. Prior to assuming his post at Villanova in July, 2002, Lucia served as Director for Library Technology and Access Services within the Information Resources organization at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. He has managed library technology projects incorporating open source components since the late 1990s. His library initiated and sponsors the VuFind project, an open source resource discovery tool.

Bob Molyneux is the V.P. for Business Development at Equinox Software and he will be directing corporate planning and developing strategic partnerships. His academic work has primarily been in compiling and analyzing data from various kinds of libraries. Bob is working on a second edition to his networking textbook, *The Internet Under the Hood*, where he plans to expand coverage of open source applications to capture the exciting capabilities that open source promises for the library community.



Joshua Ferraro is the CEO of LibLime and currently serves as the official Koha Project Release Manager. He has been promoting open source in libraries since 2001 when he oversaw implementation of the Koha open-source library automation system at the Athens County Public Library System in Ohio, USA. ACPLS is the first library in the US to adopt an open-source integrated library system. In response to feedback from libraries on why they were not adopting open source solutions, Ferraro co-founded LibLime in early 2005 with the aim of providing commercial support for open source library solutions.

John Stromquist has been the Executive Director of WALDO since 1997. Prior to that he was Deputy Commissioner of General Service for Information Technology Procurement with the State of New York and Information Technology Director of Westchester County New York. WALDO has been pursuing its open source project since November of 2006.



Elizabeth McKinney de Garcia is the PINES Program Director. She has been with the Georgia Public Library Service since November 2001 and was part of the original team that worked on the design, development and implementation of the open source Evergreen Integrated Library System software. Prior to her work at the Georgia Public Library Service, she worked as a clinical librarian at Vanderbilt University Medical Center, as a medical research coordinator in Popayan, Colombia and as the Interlibrary Loan Supervisor at the University of Louisville Health Sciences Library. She received her MLS degree from Syracuse University in Syracuse, New York.

Dan Scott is the systems librarian for Laurentian University in Sudbury, Ontario, Canada. His work in the wider world of library systems includes creating the File_MARC PHP library, launching the Fac-Back-OPAC next-generation catalogue project, and contributing documentation, fixes, and internationalization support to the Evergreen Open-ILS project. Before joining Laurentian, Dan worked at IBM for 8 years as an information architect, software developer, and product planner for DB2 Universal Database for Linux, UNIX, and Windows. He has co-authored a book ("*Apache Derby: Off to the Races*") and occasionally writes about coffee, code, and other good things at <http://coffeecode.net>. Dan holds a B.A. in English and Philosophy from Laurentian University and a MIST from the University of Toronto.

