



Assembly on Literature for Adolescents of NCTE

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Announcing the ALAN 2022 Workshop Theme, Submit to the New ALAN Picks, 2021 Post-workshop and Interest Surveys Still Open

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COME TOGETHER

| Rise | Overcome | Forge Ahead |

“Come Together: Using YAL to Rise, Overcome, and Forge Ahead Together”

Anaheim, CA, November 21-22, 2022

The past several years have challenged us all in myriad ways. We were pushed to our limits, and then our limits were stretched and redefined even further. For so many, this has

been a time of deep loss, unnering isolation, and painful separation from our loved ones, colleagues, and students. As we think about coming together as an ALAN family in 2022, the focus will be on the power of unity and togetherness.

There is magic that happens when characters in YAL come together to form unexpected friendships and unite to beat the odds stacked against them. There is beauty in YA authors collaborating to write stories that speak to young people who aren't used to seeing themselves in the pages of a book. And there is hope in educators and librarians forming partnerships and communities centered on the ways in which they use YAL with the adolescents in their care.

The theme for the 2022 workshop is "Come Together: Using YAL to Rise, Overcome, and Forge Ahead Together." We will feature authors and presenters who focus on and celebrate the power of individuals uniting with a shared love for young adult literature and its potential for transformation. We want participants to think about how they might harness this power to rise against oppressive forces, and in doing so, inspire opportunities for advocacy, support, and deeper connection with and among adolescents.

*Breakout session proposals are due February 14, 2022, and can be found [here](#).

Submit to the New ALAN Picks

Is there a young adult or middle grades book coming out or recently published (within the past 12 months) that you think would be perfect for educators to use in their curriculum or classroom? Submit a book review that incorporates teaching strategies and suggestions to the new ALAN Picks review!

Contact ALAN Picks Editor, Richetta Tooley, at richetta.tooley@gmail.com with any questions. Submissions are due the 15th of each month with the first deadline January 15th.

Need help getting access to an ARC for your review? Submit your request along with a brief pitch for your review [here](#). Don't forget about your ALAN Workshop Book Box and other e-galley freebies for book options to review too!



Submit a book review
to ALAN Picks!

2021 Workshop Attendance and 2022 Volunteer Interest Surveys

Please take a minute to complete the ALAN 2021 post-workshop and interest survey. You can find the survey [here](#), and you can indicate if you are interested in serving in ALAN in 2022 at the end of the survey. Come help us make this magical place work!

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