

Dear SOIS Friends –

As I write this, we are six weeks into the new calendar year, and five weeks into the Spring 2021 semester. This time last year, we were almost exactly one month away from the arrival of a growing global pandemic, shutting

Butler Children's Literature Center

Monday, March 29, 2021, 6:30 p.m.
Presented Online

This event is free and open to the public, with registration required.

Fantastic Black Girlhoods

A conversation with Ebony Elizabeth Thomas and Renée Watson
Join the School of Information Studies and the Butler Children's Literature Center in conversation with children's librarian and critic Dr. Ebony Elizabeth Thomas and award-winning author Renée Watson as they discuss the current moment in literature for black youth and how it fits into the larger body of youth literature. Topics explored include the adultification of black youth, representations of black joy, and diversity within diversity. They will also share their hopes and recommendations for the teachers and librarians sharing books with, and building collections for, all young people. Contact butler@dom.edu if you have any questions.

Ebony

Renée Watson is a New York Times bestselling author, educator, and activist. Her young adult novel, *Piecing Me Together* (Bloomsbury, 2017) received a Coretta Scott King Award and Newbery Honor. Her poetry and fiction often centers around the lived experiences of black girls and women, and explores themes of home, identity, and the intersections of race, class, and gender. Renée served as Founder and Executive Director of I, Too, Arts Collective, a nonprofit committed to nurturing underrepresented voices in the creative

BUTLER YOUTH SERVICES SCHOLAR, SPRING 2021

Meet Marché Pernell, the Spring 2021 Recipient of the Butler Youth Services Scholarship for Underrepresented Groups in the Field of Library and Information Science.

By way of introduction, Marché writes:

“Today, the library is much more than just the building; it is

Tina Griffin (MLIS '13) collaborated on an article with colleague Abigail Goben titled "In Aggregate: Trends, Needs, and Opportunities from Research Data Management Surveys," published in *College & Research Libraries*. Tina and Abigail's article won third place in October 2020 in IACRL's People's Choice Award in Scholarly Publishing. (See <https://www.ila.org/news/1258/iacrl-people-choice-award-in-scholarly-publishing-winners>.) In addition, Tina recently published an article in the *Journal of Librarianship and Scholarly Communication* describing a new approach to data management education focusing on student research projects. See <https://jisc-pub.org/articles/abstract/10.7710/2162-3309.2365/>.

Allison Schein Holmes (MLIS '12), together with Professor Stacy Kowalczyk, published a paper titled "The Studs Terkel Radio Archive: A Journey to Enhanced Usability for Audio" in the *Journal of Archival Organization* (July 2020).

Dan Weinberg (MLIS '00) has been accepted into the Public Health Master's
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***Talk a little about the job – what do you do, and what do you enjoy about it?
And, how has your institution responded to the COVID-19 crisis?***

I oversee three collections, two radio, and one TV. My department is working towards creating intellectual control over the wild, wild west of all three, making them accessible to internal and external stakeholders,