

**Black Caucus
of the American Library Association
CONNECTICUT AFFILIATE**

Mission Statement

The Connecticut Black Caucus of the American Library Association established officially January 1999 as a statewide organization. The organization serves as a Connecticut affiliate of the national Black Caucus of the American Library Association. The Connecticut Affiliate of B.C.A.L.A. serves as an advocate for the development, promotion, and improvement of library services and resources to the state's African American community; and provides leadership or the recruitment, network, professional development, mentoring of Librarians, Para-professionals. The organization also serves as an official organization for the advancement and mentoring and resource sharing of both its members and those interested in the profession on any level we also strive to provide and promote access to African American resources within the realm of our role in the profession collectively and in our individual organizations.

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**Connecticut Affiliate
Presents:**



Engaging Teens @Your Library

CLA 2010 Conference Program

Tuesday, April 20, 2010

10:15 p.m.-11:15 p.m.

Our Common Ground

Connecticut Library Association

119th Annual Conference

April 19 & 20, 2010

Mohegan Sun, Uncasville, CT.

Guests Speakers



Lambert C. Shell Sr.
*Coordinator of Youth Enrichment Services
Queens Library, NY*



Dr. William H. Foster III
*Comic Book Historian and Professor of English and
Communications at Naugatuck Valley
Community College*

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<http://bcala-ct.blogspot.com>

Program Schedule

10:15-10:25 p.m.	Welcome
10:25-10:45 p.m.	Dr. William H. Foster
10:45-11:05 p.m.	Mr. Lambert C. Shell
11:05-11:15 p.m.	Q&A

This program is co-sponsored with CLA's YA section.

Recommended Readings:

- **Lambert Shell**
www.queenslibrary.org

Flipping It: How Queens Library is Turning "Gangs" of Teens Into Its Biggest Success Story (Voices of Young Adults (VOYA), 2008, Vol. 31, No. 2, pgs. 116-117)

Library of the Year 2009: The Politics of Excellence
Queens Library, NY
<http://www.libraryjournal.com/article/CA6663764.html>
- **Williams Foster**
<http://www.finallyinfullcolor.com/>

[UConn] Waterbury Library Celebrates Black Superheroes
www.lib.uconn.edu/about/publications/newsletters/2010/2010-03.pdf (page 5)