

**2018 MASSACHUSETTS STATE BOOK CART DRILL TEAM COMPETITION
RULES & REGISTRATION**

**Massachusetts Library Association Conference
Sheraton Hotel and Conference Center, Framingham**



Video Book Cart Drill Team routines were a huge hit, so the video competition is on again for 2018 MLA Conference! Each participating library should perform their own routine in their library, video tape the routine and submit it to MLA. **Big update:** DIGITAL VOTING by audience through Capira app! Routines will be screened throughout the conference on Monday and Tuesday in the exhibit hall. Voting to continue through both days until **3 PM Tuesday, May 22**. See below for details.

1. The number of teams will be limited to 8. The first 8 complete applications received will be accepted. An authorized representative of each team must:
2. Submit the application and paperwork by: April 20, 2018 (I just need to have commitment)
3. Sign and return one copy of these rules
4. Include a completed application with Team information
5. Add a donation to help cover costs (up to \$25 ~ *please*)
6. Mail to Gerry Deyermond, Past Chairperson, MLA Paralibrarian Section c/o Memorial Hall Library, 2 N. Main St., Andover, MA 01810.
7. Teams may include up to 8 members. At least one member of the team needs to be a staff member.
8. All teams must provide the completed information form along with the application, with the following information: name of the team captain, an email address to which correspondence from MLA may be directed; blurb about team and theme of performance; title of music. The captain must be a library staffer and will be the spokesperson for the team.
9. Final video should be uploaded to YouTube
10. Teams must submit the YouTube link by May 10, 2018
11. Trophies will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams. A team representative should be present at the Paralibrarian Awards Program at 4:15 on Tuesday, May 22 to be recognized.
12. Decision of the judges (audience voting) is final. Judging will take place using the MLA Conference App form Capira. Judging will be based on 3 criteria:
 - a. Technical Ability – organization, precision, unique moves, timeliness
 - b. Artistic Impression – overall performance, music, costumes, cart décor

c. Videography- creative expression

13. DEMCO Logo must appear on your carts in some format. DEMCO sponsors the competition, and will provide logo signs for your carts. They generously provide trophies and prizes for this competition.
14. **Maximum of 4 minutes for each routine.**
15. Each routine should include a minimum of 2 minutes of book cart maneuvers. (Suggestions: Do Si Do, Crisscross, Pinwheel, Spoke, Circular movements.) Reference "The Library Book Cart Precision Drill Team Manual" by Linda McCracken and Lynne Zeiher. There are 14 copies throughout the Commonwealth. Check your library catalog or ComCat.) Or search YouTube for book cart drill team videos.
16. A donation to help with the cost of the competition is requested (up to \$25.00), payable to MLA. The donation can be included with each team's application or at the conference.
17. Questions should be directed to Gerry Deyermond, Past Chairperson, MLA Paralibrarian Section (gdeyermond@mhl.org 978-623-8421) or Matthew Costanza, MLA Conference Committee (mcozanza@minlib.net).
18. MLA or DEMCO, Inc. cannot be responsible for injury or damage to person or property incurred during performance. Teams agree that they will indemnify and hold harmless of, from and against all claims, demands, actions, damages, loss, cost, liabilities, expenses and judgments recovered from or asserted against MLA or DEMCO, Inc. on account of injury or damage of property.
19. Any and all matters not specifically covered by the preceding rules and guidelines shall be subject solely to the decision of MLA. MLA shall have the full power to interpret, amend, and enforce these regulations provided any amendments, when made, are brought to the notice of the participants. Each participant agrees to abide by the forgoing rules and guidelines and by any amendments or additions thereto in conformance with the preceding sentence.
20. An authorized representative of each team must sign and return one copy of the rules to MLA, by April 20, 2018 along with an application and any donation. Mail to Gerry Deyermond, Past Chairperson, MLA Paralibrarian Section c/o Memorial Hall Library, Andover, MA 01810.

The Book Cart Drill Team representing the

(library name, town) agrees to abide by the above rules of the contest.

Team Captain: _____ Phone: _____

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

(designated representative/team captain)

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LIBRARY: _____

TEAM NAME: _____

OF TEAM MEMBERS: _____

TEAM CAPTAIN: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

TITLE/THEME OF PERFORMANCE: _____

SONG TITLE: _____

YouTube URL: _____

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF TEAM (will be used to introduce the team performance):

