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The Biological Sciences Division of SLA invites you to join our professional organization. For further membership information contact:

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What is the Biological Sciences Division?

The Biological Sciences Division (BIO) is one of 26 Divisions of the Special Libraries Association (SLA), the second largest library and information related association headquartered in North America and the third largest in the world. The scope of the Biological Sciences Division encompasses the biological sciences, both pure and applied, and the acquisition, organization, dissemination, and use of biological information in all forms. Within the Division, emphasis is placed upon the broad sweep of the life and health sciences and the strong common elements found throughout them.

The Medical Section

The Medical Section of the Biological Sciences Division serves as a forum for Division members who are engaged or interested in the exchange of information in the biomedical and health sciences, and the acquisition, organization, dissemination, and use of such information in all formats. Membership in the Medical Section is available at no charge to all BIO members by contacting the Membership Department at SLA headquarters.

History

The Biological Sciences Division was formed in 1934 by eighteen life sciences librarians to meet the needs of academic, corporate, hospital, research, government, and technical information professionals in the broad field of biological sciences. In 1996 more than fifty BIO members successfully petitioned SLA to request the formation of a Medical Section, within BIO, for those members interested in health sciences librarianship. Today BIO is an international professional Division of more than 600 members, over 75 of whom are also members of the Medical Section.

Membership Benefits Include:

- Biofeedback, the quarterly newsletter of the Division
- BSDNET-L, the Division listserv (open to BIO members only)
- Continuing education programs
- Annual Division meetings
- Special interest seminars, discussions, presentations, and field trips
- Networking opportunities
- Peer recognition
- Vendor updates
- Social events

The Biological Sciences Division of the Special Libraries Association invites you to join and enjoy the professional stimulation and fellowship of belonging to this important and diverse organization.

Leadership Opportunities

The Biological Sciences Division includes an Executive Board, the Medical Section, Appointed Positions, Committees, and Liaisons to other SLA units or information organizations.

There are plenty of opportunities to volunteer to serve. Let the Chair or Chair-Elect know your interests when you join!

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