

---

## About the Contributors

---

ANDREW ABBOTT is Ralph Lewis Professor in Sociology at the University of Chicago. He has worked extensively on historical and theoretical analyses of the professions. Professor Abbott has also written on theoretical and methodological problems involved in analyzing historical data, having been the first to apply DNA sequencing algorithms to social science sequence data. He is currently working on two books of general social theory.

FRANCES DAVIDSON-ARNOTT is a Professor at Seneca College of Applied Arts and Technology in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, teaching in the Library and Information Technician Diploma Program and the Information Retrieval Specialist Post-Diploma Certificate Program. Her areas of expertise include library management and professional issues. Professor Arnott-Davidson, prior to her position at Seneca College in 1986, was Director of Libraries at Centennial College in Toronto. She has served on numerous and professional association committees and as an executive on several such committees.

SUE EASUN is an Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Information Studies, University of Toronto. Her research interests include efficiency measurement, the design and evaluation of children's information resources, and issues related to cognitive authority. Professor Easun is currently coordinator of the Toronto Centre for the Study of Children's Literature, principal investigator for the Oral History of Children's Public Library Services in Canada, publisher of the electronic journal, *The Looking Glass*, and chief designer of InfoMOO.

THOMAS J. FROELICH is a Professor in the School of Library and Information Science at Kent State University, where he teaches courses in Ethical Considerations of Information Professionals, Information Science, Online Information Systems, Network and Software Resources for Information Professionals, and User Interface Design. He has written extensively in

the area of ethics, having recently published *A Survey and Analysis of the Major Ethical and Legal Issues Facing Library and Information Services*," in the IFLA Professional Series (IFLA Publications 78: Munich: K.G. Saur, 1997) funded by a grant from UNESCO. Professor Froehlich has given presentations and lectures in Spain, France, England, Portugal, Mexico, China, and Thailand and has done seminars at the Chinese Patent Office in Beijing, at Wuhan University and at SINOPEC (China Petrochemical Corporation).

MARCELLA D. GENZ is a faculty member in the School of Library and Information Studies, University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa where she teaches history of the book, electronic publishing, the organization of information, and information services.

ROMA HARRIS is Professor, Faculty of Media and Information Studies, formerly the Graduate School of Library and Information Science. The author of *Librarianship: The Erosion of Woman's Profession* (Ablex, 1992), she has written extensively on issues of gender and work in librarianship, including a recent paper with Juris Dilevko in the *Journal of the American Society for Information Science* entitled, "Information Technology and Social Relations: Portrayals of Gender Roles in High Tech Product Advertisements." Professor Harris is presently serving as Vice-Provost and Registrar at The University of Western Ontario.

ROBERT HERMANSON holds an M.L.S. from the University of Washington. He is on the faculty of the Library Technician Program at Highline Community College in Des Moines, Washington, where he is also Supervisor of Circulation at the college library.

LYNNE HOWARTH was appointed to the Faculty of Information Studies, University of Toronto in 1990, becoming Dean in 1996. She has taught at McGill University (Montreal), Ryerson Polytechnical University (Toronto), and in the Library Techniques diploma program at three colleges of applied arts and science in Ontario. Current teaching and research are focused on the creation and application of bibliographic tools and standards, the organization and management of knowledge-based systems, and modelling technical services operations in libraries. As part of a nationally-funded collaboration with Joan Cherry, she is co-investigating the design of more effective bibliographic record content and displays in Online and Web-based catalogs. She has published several articles on the management of technical services, on the application and use of bibliographic standards, and on the content and quality of bibliographic records.

DEBORAH KAY is a Professor at Seneca College of Applied Arts and Technology in Toronto, Ontario, teaching in the Library and Information Technician Diploma Program and the Information Retrieval Specialist Post-Di-

ploma Certificate Program. Her areas of expertise include database searching, reference and information retrieval in general. Professor Kay, prior to her position at Seneca College in 1988, worked as a librarian at special and academic libraries in Toronto.

VICTORIA MARSHALL is Head of Technical Services, Health Sciences Library, Memorial University of Newfoundland. She has held a variety of administrative, technical, and public services posts (Memorial University of Newfoundland and the University of Western Ontario) and is presently a doctoral student in Library and Information Science at the University of Western Ontario. Ms. Marshall has served as convenor for the Committee on Library Technicians and the Committee on Research and Development of the Canadian Library Association, and on the Executive Committee of the Canadian Association of College and Research Libraries.

ANTHONY M. WILSON, a former president of the Washington Library Association, has been Chair of the Library Technician Program at Highline Community College near Seattle since 1978 and has been teaching library support staff classes since 1968.