



Alabama Library Expo 2023



PROGRAM & EXHIBITORS TOUR

Monday, September 18th

Daphne Civic Center

2603 US-98

Daphne, AL 36526

Tuesday, September 19th

St. James Church

9045 Vaughn Rd.

Montgomery, AL 36117

Wednesday, September 20th

Irondale Civic Center

(former Zamora Shrine Center)

3521 Ratliff Rd.

Irondale, AL 35210

Thursday, September 21st

Calhoun Community College

Aerospace Conference Center

6250 US Hwy. 31 N

Decatur, AL 35671



Conference Agenda

7:45 AM—10:30 AM Exhibits, Registration, Refreshments

10:30 AM—11:00 AM General Session and Awards

11:00 AM—12:00 PM First Session

12:00 PM –1:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM—1:45 PM Second Session

FEATURED PRESENTERS AND SCHEDULE AT EACH LOCATION:

A—Mike Artell

B—Frank Baker

LOCATION	FIRST SESSION	SECOND SESSION
DAPHNE	B—11:00-12:00	A-1:00-1:45
MONTGOMERY	A—11:00-12:00	B-1:00-1:45
IRONDALE	B—11:00-12:00	A-1:00-1:45
DECATUR	A—11:00-12:00	B-1:00-1:45



Featured Presenters

Mike Artell

Author / Illustrator / Cartoonist / Speaker

Session: **Humor me: The importance of a healthy sense of humor to personal and professional success**

Mike Artell shares the story of how he went from underperforming, perennial summer school student to award-winning children's author/illustrator and TV cartoonist. Mike will also share his belief in the importance of a well-developed sense of humor to personal and professional success.

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Mike has been writing and illustrating books for kids for more than 30 years. Mike's books have won many awards including Read Aloud Book of the Year (for PETITE ROUGE – A CAJUN RED RIDING HOOD) and Professional Development Book of the Year (for ROCK YOUR READ ALOUDS). Mike has visited more than 1,000 schools in the U.S., Europe and Asia where he has shared his techniques for thinking, writing and drawing more creatively with hundreds of thousands of students. Mike lives in Covington, Louisiana with his wife, Suzie, a retired teacher/librarian. They have two daughters and five grandchildren.



Frank Baker

Author / Speaker

Session: **Teaching The Holocaust in an Age of Disinformation**

The Holocaust continues to be a topic many of our students lack essential knowledge about. The speaker, an author, has created a "graphic novel" which not only supplies the facts (through one couple's story) but also provides a background on antisemitism. He believes that educators must embrace the media students attend to, in order to engage them in important teaching standards and 21st century knowledge.

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Frank is a veteran media literacy educator, having presented previously on this topic during the 2017 tour. He has conducted hundreds of workshops with educators in his 20+ year history. In 2019, he was honored by UNESCO for his life-long media education work. He is the author of "We Survived The Holocaust-The Bluma and Felix Goldberg Story" (2022); "Close Reading The Media" (2018); "Media Literacy in the K-12 Classroom" (2017); "Political Campaigns and Political Advertising: A Media Literacy Guide" (2009); and "Coming Distractions: Questioning Movies" (2007).



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*We look forward to seeing you
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2023 Awards for Exceptional Service



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Rene' Reibling—MCPSS Media Specialist Substitute Team
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Francis Alexander—MCPSS Media Specialist Substitute Team
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