



# 2024 Alabama Library Expo Program Agenda

7:45 – 10:30	Exhibits, Registration, & Refreshments
10:30 – 11:00	General Session & Awards
11:00 – 12:00	First Session
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch
1:00 – 1:45	Second Session

## Presenters' Schedule

Presenters and schedule at each location:

### **A – Kellie McIntyre**

### **B – Manuel Godoy**

**Daphne  
Montgomery  
Irondale  
Decatur**

**B - 11:00-12:00, A - 1:00-1:45  
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**Note:** There is no cost to attend Alabama Library Expo. Your registration fee is paid by Alabama Library Expo vendors. You also receive 6 hours credit toward your in-service requirements.

## Presenters' Bios

**A. Kellie McIntyre** is a traveler, speaker, and author of THE PASSPORT PROJECT. Her quest for culture and adventure has taken her to 50 countries across seven continents. In 2013, Kellie and her family packed one suitcase each and embarked on a five-month journey around the world. Now, she challenges others to travel boldly. Kellie speaks to schools and groups about the impact of experiential travel on cultural intelligence (CQ). She shares tips for planning and surviving global family (mis)adventures—like being detained in a communist country—at [4WornPassports.com](http://4WornPassports.com).



### **Kellie's Session: – The 7 Continents Club: Increasing Cultural Intelligence through Travel and Books**

You can learn more about Kellie at <https://4wornpassports.com/>, or on social media connect with her on Facebook: [@4WornPassports](https://www.facebook.com/4WornPassports); on Instagram [@4wornpassports](https://www.instagram.com/4wornpassports); on X (formerly Twitter): [@4wornpassports](https://twitter.com/4wornpassports).

**B. Manuel Godoy** of **Black Sands Entertainment** is an American entertainment company founded in 2016 and based in Columbia, Maryland, US. The company is privately operated and is mainly known for its comic book publishing as well developing animated shorts within Black Sands Studios. It was founded in 2016 by Manuel Godoy and his wife, Geizel, who serves as an author and producer and distributes comic books aimed towards African mythology, Afrofuturistic titles, and the education of children and adults. The plan is to create a Black entertainment media company that can deliver all kinds of content to Black consumers.



Black Sands publishes a number of graphic novels and comics with Afrofuturist themes, often coded in the non-fictional and fictional genres, and reissues of Afrofuturist titles from comic-book houses like DC and Dark Horse. Manuel and his wife, Geizel, want to create Black media outside the realm of slavery and within historical means. In the end, creating worlds in which existing power structures are dismantled and Black people thrive.

### **Manuel's Session: TBD**

You can learn more about Black Sands Entertainment at <https://blacksands.com/>, or on social media connect with them on Instagram [@blacksandsentertainment](https://www.instagram.com/blacksandsentertainment).