

## Welcome Barnaby Camp as GLS Atlanta Manager

We are thrilled to announce that Barnaby Camp, formerly a Reader Advisor at GLS Atlanta, has been promoted to the position of GLS Atlanta Manager, as of August 1, 2023. In this position, he is in charge of the operations of the GLS public library location in downtown Atlanta, including reader advisory services and the local recording program. Please welcome Barnaby to his new role and get to know him better.



Science degree from Florida State University.

### **Q: What's new and coming up at GLS?**

**A:** I am excited about new accessible technologies, such as the braille eReader from NLS. We are also looking

forward to some great programming in the new year, including bingo, the return of Patron Prom, and more.

### **Q: How long have you worked at GLS Atlanta, and what were you doing before that?**

**A:** I have been with GLS Atlanta for more than five years. Before that, I worked at the Shepherd Center and the Woodruff Health Sciences Center Library at Emory University. I hold a Master of Library and Information

### **Q: We heard that you sometimes show up to events in costume as BARDman. Can you tell us a little bit about who BARDman is and how he came to be?**

**A:** The origin of BARDman was a superhero themed staff development event last year. BARDman's costume is black with a blue cape. On his chest

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he proudly wears the BARD logo. His utility belt holds talking book cartridges and has a cartridge mailing case as the buckle. BARDman has made appearances this year at our Summer Reading kickoff and at DragonCon.

**Q: What are some of the ways you are involved outside of your role at GLS Atlanta to serve the community and the library profession?**

**A:** I recently attended the Georgia Library Conference and look forward to becoming more involved with the Georgia Library Association's Library Services for Persons with Disabilities Interest Group. I also serve on the KLAS Development Advisory Committee (KDAC), a national group that helps shape the future of the

software we use to manage our library services.

**Q: What else should readers know about you? Are you reading any good books right now?**

**A:** I play guitar and have dabbled in improv comedy. I am currently reading *The Soul of an Octopus: A Surprising Exploration into the Wonder of Consciousness* (DB082438, BR21140). I have become fascinated with these mysterious and complex creatures.



**Barnaby Camp as BARDman.**

## Read for fun throughout the year

GLS Summer Reading participation increased this year, with 50% of registrants achieving their reading goals and receiving completion prize packets. Two grand prize winners, Elizabeth W. and Kalena M., were honored for logging the most reading hours.

Stay tuned for GLS Summer Reading 2024 next June! If you are a GLS patron and would like to join a Winter Reading Program in the new year, call 1-800-248-6701 or complete the interest form at <https://forms.gle/sqjFo9fQqV1a5VxJ6>.

## Library advisory council members wanted

The GLS Library Consumers' Advisory Council (LCAC) is actively seeking members-at-large. We encourage applications from GLS patrons throughout the state of Georgia who are willing to serve for two- or three-year terms. Meetings are held virtually on the first Monday in March and August.

The purpose of the LCAC is to give advice and make recommendations to GLS on practices, policies, and goals that will aid in the improvement of library service to the blind and print disabled. The Council also serves as an advocate for the promotion and further development of library services to the blind and print disabled.

We are taking applications through the end of the year. The last day to submit applications is December 31, 2023. The group will hold a special meeting in January 2024 to vote on new members.

If you wish to serve in this capacity and have questions, contact Barnaby Camp (bcamp@georgialibraries.org) or Vanessa Meadows (vmeadows@georgialibraries.org). You may also call GLS at 1-800-248-6701.

You can find details and the LCAC application at <https://gls.georgialibraries.org/library-consumers-advisory-council/>.

**GLS Outreach Librarians Brandi, Sarah, and Gina made connections with veterans at the Clarkston We CARE Vet Fair in September. Email [glsoutreach@georgialibraries.org](mailto:glsoutreach@georgialibraries.org) to invite us out for your community events!**



### **Don't miss our recurring programs on Zoom, resuming in January:**

- **Tech Talk - Monthly: Second Tuesday, 10 a.m.-12 noon**
- **Peer Support Group - Monthly: Third Wednesday, 2-4 p.m.**
- **For Grown Folks Only Book Club - Bimonthly: Second Wednesday, 2-4 p.m.**

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