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## SWAMI VIVEKANANDA LIBRARY



Internal Quality Assurance Cell

*Jointly organizing  
International Webinar on*

# CHALLENGES OF ACADEMIC LIBRARIANS IN THE DIGITAL LANDSCAPE

*12<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 | 3:30 PM to 7:00 PM*

**129<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary**

*Celebrations of*

**Dr. S. R. Ranganathan  
(1892-1972)**

*Father of Library Science in India*



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## KEY NOTE SPEAKER



**Prof. (Dr.) R. David Lankes**  
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## SPEAKERS

## THANK YOU NOTE

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## KEY NOTE SPEAKER –INTRODUCTION

**R. David Lankes** is the director of the University of South Carolina's School of Information Science, a Visiting Researcher at the French National Library School ENSSIB, recipient of the American Library Association's 2021 Isadore Gilbert Mudge Award for distinguished contribution to reference Librarianship and the incoming Virginia & Charles Bowden Professor in Librarianship at the University of Texas at Austin. His book, *The Atlas of New Librarianship* won the 2012 ABC-CLIO/Greenwood Award for the Best Book in Library Literature. Lankes is a passionate advocate for Librarians and their essential role in today's society.

### **Dr. S. R. Ranganathan (1892-1972)**

#### ***Father of Library Science in India***

Dr. S. R. Ranganathan has been affectionately described as the Father of Library Science in India, on account of his tireless efforts to professionalize library education in India. One of his first achievements, in 1929, was to found a library school that was later incorporated into the University of Madras. Trained in the area of Mathematics and Librarianship, and assisted by scholars such as Dr. Kuppuswami Shastri, Ranganathan synergized and streamlined the intellectual energy of that time to transform a less-known discipline into a full-fledged profession. Since he was an astute mathematician, Dr. Ranganathan could also simplify the process of library classification by formulating a number of canons, guiding principles, and postulates that provided a sound theoretical framework for this emerging discipline. His major contribution to library science includes his academic endeavours to institute a Master of Library Science Program in 1948 and to Herald a doctoral research program in 1950, both at the University of Delhi. These were the first higher degree programs in Library Science offered in India or any of the Commonwealth countries.

His intellectual acumen and professionalism are reflected in the plethora of his publications that no other library scientist even as of now can dream of. He published over 50 books and 1,000 papers on all aspects of Library Science and was closely associated with internationally acclaimed library journals such as *Annals of Library Science*; and *Library Science with a Slant to Documentation*. He will always be remembered for his pioneering efforts, towering personality and his seminal contribution to Library Science that includes his five laws of library science codifying the whole gamut of library operations in five simple statements:

1. Books are for use
2. Every reader his/her book
3. Every book its reader
4. Save the time of the reader
5. (The) library is a growing organism

Even though Dr. Ranganathan focused on systematizing the Library Science scenario professionalizing it in India, his activities extended well beyond the Indian horizons. He was an important presence in a number of international conferences delivering scores of lectures on Library Science. This is in addition to his significant role in setting the policy for the United Nations Library.

His relentless efforts were recognized by the whole world, which showered different awards on this great son of India. They include the honorary presidentship of the International Conference on Classification Research, held in Elsinore, Denmark. The Government of India also recognized his painstaking efforts in knowledge organization; he was bestowed the titles of Rao Sahib and the Padma Shri in 1935 and 1957 respectively. He received honorary doctorates from a number of national and international universities including the University of Delhi (1948) and the University of Pittsburgh, USA. (1965). Awards came to him even from the land of Melvil Dewey; the Margaret Mann Citation in Cataloging and Classification of the American Library Association (ALA) in 1965. International Federation of Library Association, the umbrella organization of all library associations across the globe, chose New Delhi as its conference venue for the 1992 conference in recognition of the centenary celebrations of this great classificationist of all times.

Ranganathan's ideals are being rediscovered and several international classification research agencies have identified the importance of analyzing search topics or keywords into different facets (facet analysis), a method enlivened by Dr. S.R. Ranganathan. His principles and canons hold good even in this era of Google generation.

The 12th August, his official birth day, is being celebrated as the Librarians' day in India and we at Sharda University pay homage to the inspiring memory of this great son of India.

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