

I very much enjoyed the opportunity to attend the 2011 MLA annual conference. This was the first time I have attended one of these conferences. The Duluth Entertainment Convention Center was a great place to have the conference and there was plenty of room to enjoy the rich variety of speakers. My favorite speaker was Jenna Blum discussing her book *The Stormchasers*.

The conference was a nice place to meet and network with others. I had a great time at the Killer Cocktail event and enjoyed speaking one-to-one with some great mystery authors and socializing with a fun group of library employees. Meeting outside of the workplace setting was a great chance for me to relax and interact with coworkers as well as learn about some of the changes coming.

Attending the MLA annual conference was a very positive experience for me and I came back with a fresh look at what is new and exciting in the library world.

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