



Stacy Peterson is a Reference Assistant in the Public Programming & Projects Department at the Peoria Public Library. Her responsibilities involve designing, implementing and executing programs for all ages, as well as, coordinating and promoting exhibits and displays in the newly redesigned art gallery at the Main Library.

Prior to her current position, she worked as the Special Events Coordinator for the Peoria Art Guild, one of the oldest non-profit arts organizations in Central Illinois. Responsibilities included organizing the Peoria Art Guild Fine Art Fair, the 3rd largest community event on Peoria's Riverfront. This annual event brought thousands of visitors to Peoria's Riverfront as they visited with artists from around the world, participated in family-friendly events and enjoyed music from acclaimed acts.

Stacy's interest in history and community has been central to her academic studies. While in graduate school, she studied storytelling as it relates to the history of communities, volunteered her time with literacy programs for children and adults, collaborated with the local history organizations in reading to the blind.

Besides serving on the **Peoria Historical Society's Board of Trustees' Marketing and Membership Committee**, Stacy serves on the Board of the Peoria Food Co-op and as a Stakeholder for the City of Peoria's Washington Street Advisory Group, an organization devoted to transforming the urban landscape of Peoria into more livable and eco-friendly space. In her spare time, Stacy Peterson enjoys reading non-fiction, traveling to off-beat destinations, playing the piano, learning the banjo and practicing photography.