

St. Catherine University's
Master of Library & Information Science Program presents
Inclusivity & Indie Authors:
The Case for Community-Based Publishing



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In January 2016, Lee & Low Books released the results of the 2015 Diversity Baseline Survey, proving that publishing is both very white and very female. This talk will begin with Dr. Sarah Park Dahlen discussing the results of the DBS, and continue with Dr. Zetta Elliott talking about how racism and power affect the publishing industry. As a black feminist, Dr. Elliott advocates for a model of community-based publishing that uses print-on-demand technology to transfer power from the industry to those excluded from the publishing process, thus envisioning a more diverse and inclusive literary world.

- Zetta Elliott (<http://www.zettaelliott.com/>) is the author of thirty books for adults, teens, and children. She is an award-winning independent scholar with a PhD in American Studies from NYU.
- Sarah Park Dahlen (<http://sarahpark.com/>) is an assistant professor in the St. Kate's MLIS Program. She administered the Diversity Baseline Survey in 2015.

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