

Umbrella 2009 welcomes the CILIP Libraries Change Lives Award

Umbrella 2009 is the new venue for the *CILIP Libraries Change Lives Award* ceremony. The presentation will be made in the 450-seat auditorium as part of the second plenary session on the afternoon of 15 July 2009.

Umbrella is the biennial flagship event of CILIP: The Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals. It will take place on 14-15 July 2009 on the DeHavilland Campus of the University of Hertfordshire in Hatfield, following its successful presentation in 2007, which attracted more than 700 attendees who rated the conference **95% Good to Excellent**.

This major event attracts delegates from across the library community. It comprises a 56-session conference, a major exhibition, and a number of social events. Full information is online at www.umbrella2009.org.uk.

There are a number of new enhancements in 2009 including:

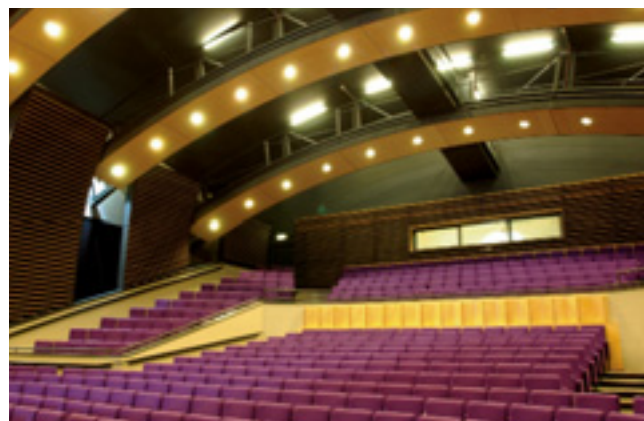
- Two full days so delegates need less time away from work
- A move to mid-week so delegates do not have to give up their weekend
- Two full days of conference sessions providing a choice of 56 sessions
- Two plenary sessions with prestigious speakers and the Awards presentation
- The Umbrella Exhibition will be open throughout the conference

The conference theme is *Making Connections: the Power of People, partnerships and services*, and *Umbrella* is set to be the library event of the year.

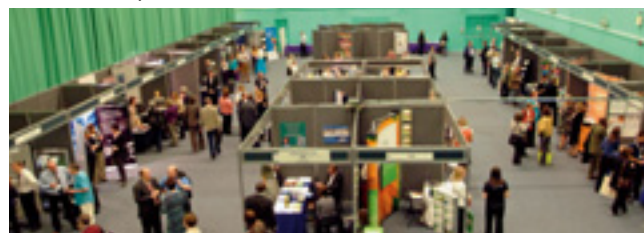
Linda Constable, Chair of the Award Judges, comments: "I am delighted the *Libraries Change Lives Award* ceremony will be held at *Umbrella 2009*. It offers a larger audience to showcase the innovation, dedication and impact on communities that the *Award* promotes."

In support of the move to *Umbrella*, Managing Director of CILIP Enterprises John Woolley says: "We are looking forward to an exciting and vibrant *Umbrella 2009*. With the addition of the *Libraries Change Lives Award* ceremony to the programme, I am confident that, once again, the event will be an outstanding success."

New prestigious award ceremony venue



Umbrella's major exhibition




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