Sommer Browning
Associate Professor

Education
January 2009, MSLIS, Long Island University, Library and Information Science
May 2004, MFA, University of Arizona, Poetry
May 1998, BA, University of Mary Washington, Philosophy

Professional Experience
January 2019 to present, Technical Services, Associate Director, Auraria Library
September 2017 to December 2018, Technical and Financial Services, Associate Director, Auraria Library
July 2016 to August 2017, Technical Services, Interim Associate Director, Auraria Library
November 2015 to March 2019, Resource Management, Head, Auraria Library
September 2013 to October 2015, Electronic Access & Discovery Services, Head, Auraria Library
April 2013 to August 2013, Discovery Services Librarian, Auraria Library
January 2011 to March 2013, Librarian, National Institute of Corrections
May 2009 to June 2010, Metadata Librarian, SUNY Maritime College

Peer Reviewed Publications, Exhibitions, Performances, etc.

2020   DiVittorio, K., Gaddis, P., Browning, S., Rainard, M., and Brammer, C. (2020) SILLVR: Streaming Interlibrary Loan Video Resources. *Collaborative Librarianship*: 11(4.8).

2017   Glazier, R. and Browning, S. (2017) Acquisition to Cataloging: Examining the Handoff in Electronic Resources Workflow. *Against the Grain*, 29(1); 40-43.

2015   Browning, S. (2015). The Discovery–Collection Librarian Connection: Cultivating Collaboration for Better Discovery. *Collection Management*, 40(4); 197-206.

2015   Browning, S. (2015). Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems. *Journal of Electronic Resources Librarianship,* 27(1); 26-34.

Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

2020   Browning, S. "Auraria Library: One Technical Services Department, Three Institutions," book chapter in *Library Technical Services: Adapting to a Changing Environment*, Purdue University Press, West Lafayette, Indiana: 2020, 253-264.

2019   Glazier, R. and Browning, S. "E-Resource Management Strategies for an Informal Consortium," book chapter in *Transforming Acquisitions and Collection Services: Perspectives on Collaboration Within and Across Libraries*, Purdue University Press, West Lafayette, Indiana: 2019, 343-361.

Grants

Completed

2020   Colorado Department of Education, State Grant to Libraries, $12,784, funded

2020   CU Denver Office of Diversity and Inclusion, CU Denver Undocumented Student Services, and the President's Diversity Fund for Development and Support, $2,000, funded

2019   University of Colorado Diversity & Inclusive Excellence Grant, $2,125, unfunded

2019   Colorado Department of Education, State Grant to Libraries, $15,037, funded

2019   Auraria Participatory Budgeting Committee, $11,000, funded

2019   CU Denver Office of Diversity & Inclusive Excellence, $3,000, funded

2018   CU Denver Office of Research Services, $400, funded

2018   University of Colorado Diversity & Inclusive Excellence Grant, $2,678.50, unfunded

2018   Charleston Library Conference Fast Pitch 2018, SILLVR, $2,500, unfunded

2018   Institute of Museum and Library Services, Promoting Inclusive Graduate Research: Supporting MLIS Student Scholarship in Equity, Access, Community, and Diversity in Academic Libraries, $66,865, unfunded

2018   Institute of Museum and Library Services, National Forum on Interlibrary Loan of Streaming Resources, $69,197, unfunded

2018   Colorado Department of Education, State Grant to Libraries, $13,038, funded

2018   Charleston Library Conference Fast Pitch 2016, SILLVR, $2,500, unfunded

2017   Colorado Department of Education, State Grant to Libraries, $13,286, funded

2016   Colorado Department of Education, State Grant to Libraries, $13,809, funded

2016   CU Denver Office of Research Services, $500, funded

2016   Charleston Library Conference Fast Pitch 2016, RelaxMap, $2,500, unfunded

Other Indicators of Scholarly and Creative Activity (Selected)

2020   Citation of peer reviewed article, Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems (Lowry, L. (2020). Where Do Our Problems Lie?: Comparing Rates of E-Access Problems Across Three Research Institutions. *Serials Review*, 46(1), 26-36.

2020   Citation of peer-reviewed article, SILLVR: Streaming Interlibrary Loan Video Resources (Levenson, HN, Hess, AN. (2020) Collaborative collection development: current perspectives leading to future initiatives. *The Journal of Academic Librarianship*, 46(5).

2019   Citation of book chapter in book, Poet-Librarians in the Library of Babel: Innovative Meditations on Librarianship (Kinniburgh, M.C. (2019). The Space Between Researcher, Object, Institution: Building Collaborative Knowledge with Primary Sources. *The Journal of Interactive Technology & Pedagogy*, 14.

2019   Arthyve Fellowship, Denver, CO

2019   Poetry Reading, Crowley Theater, Marfa, TX

2019   Lighthouse Writers LitFest, Faculty

2019   Poetry Reading, Bryant Park Reading Series, New York, NY

2018   Citation of peer reviewed article, Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems (Brett, K. (2018). A comparative analysis of electronic resources access problems at two university libraries. *Journal of Electronic Resources Librarianship*, 30(4), 198-204.

2018   Citation of peer reviewed article, Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems (Heaton, R. (2018). Tools for troubleshooting: Which ones and what for. *Journal of Electronic Resources Librarianship*, 30(1), 9-26.

2018   Citation of peer reviewed article, The Discovery–Collection Librarian Connection: Cultivating Collaboration for Better Discovery. (Stachokas, G. (2018). The Electronic Resources Librarian: From Public Service Generalist to Technical Services Specialist. *Technical Services Quarterly*, 35(1), 1-27.)

2018   Citation of peer reviewed article, The Discovery–Collection Librarian Connection: Cultivating Collaboration for Better Discovery (Kendall, S.K. (2018). "Discovery of the Health Sciences Collection." *Health Sciences Collection Management for the Twenty-First Century*. Rowman & Littlefield Publishers: Lanham, Maryland, 173-191.)

2017   Citation of peer reviewed article, The Discovery–Collection Librarian Connection: Cultivating Collaboration for Better Discovery. (Somerville, M. M. and Bruce, C.S. (2017). "From transaction to transformation: organizational learning and knowledge creation experience within Informed Systems," *Information Literacy in the Workplace*. Facet: London, 41-55.)

2017   Citation of peer reviewed article, Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems. (Somerville, M. M. and Bruce, C.S. (2017). "From transaction to transformation: organizational learning and knowledge creation experience within Informed Systems," *Information Literacy in the Workplace*. Facet: London, 41-55.)

2017   Citation of peer reviewed article, Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems (Carter, S., Traill, S. (2017). Essential skills and knowledge for troubleshooting e-resources access issues in a web-scale discovery environment. *Journal of Electronic Resources Librarianship*, 35(1), 1-27.)

2017   "100 Colorado Creatives 4.0: Sommer Browning" *Westword*, interview with Susan Froyd, September 5, 2017

2017   Poetry Reading, Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn, NY

2017   "Connection and Connecting with Sommer Browning," *Maudlin House*, interview with Nikki Barnhart, May 13, 2017

2017   "Poet and Comic Artist Sommer Browning on Libraries in a 'Cannibalistic Country'", *Westword*, interview with Bree Davies, March 2, 2017

2016   Citation of peer reviewed article, Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems (Somerville, M., Kloda, Lorie A. (2016).

"Academic Libraries," *Being Evidence Based in Library and Information Practice*. ALA Neal-Shuman: Chicago, 93-104.)

2016 Browning, S. *Want to Hear About this Dream I Had*. Reality Beach, Albany, NY, a collection of poetry

2016 Citation of peer reviewed article, Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems (Goldfinger, R., Hemhauser, M. (2016). Looking for Trouble (Tickets): A Content Analysis of University of Maryland, College Park E-Resource Access Problem Reports. *Serials Review,* 42(2), 84-97.)

2016 Citation of peer reviewed article, Data, Data, Everywhere, Nor Any Time to Think: DIY Analysis of E-resource Access Problems (Shrauger, K., Calabrese, C., Spyers-Duran II, P. (2016) ILL data drives technical services projects. *Technical Services Quarterly,* 33(1), 14-22.)

2016 Poetry Reading, KGB Bar, New York City

2015 Live On Stage Interview, Denver Small Press Festival

2015 Browning, S. *The Circle Book*. Cuneiform Press: Austin, TX, an artist book

2014 Poetry Reading, Duke University, Lilly Library

2014 Browning, S. *Backup Singers*. Birds, LLC, Brooklyn, NY, a collection of poetry

2011 Poetry Reading, Juniper Literary Festival, University of Massachusetts Amherst

2011 Browning, S. *Either Way I'm Celebrating*. Birds, LLC, Brooklyn, NY, a collection of poetry and comics

Non-Peer Reviewed Books and Book Chapters

2018 Tharp, S., & Browning, S. (2018). *Poet-librarians in the Library of Babel: Innovative meditations on librarianship*. Sacramento, CA: Library Juice Press.

Non-Peer Reviewed Publications, Exhibitions, Performances, etc.

2017 Browning, S. and DiVittorio, K. (2017) Resource Management: Reorganizing to Reassess and Remain Sane. *Against the Grain*, 29(2), 69-71.

2016 Browning, S., DiVittorio, K, Filipetti, Swauger, S. ATG Special Report—The Charleston Library Conference Fast Pitch 2016. *Against the Grain*, 28(6): 46.

2014 Browning, S. Librarian Feature. *Evening Will Come: A Monthly Journal of Poetics*. Issue 44, August 2014. Introduction and edited the issue. Retrieved from: http://www.thevolta.org/ewc44-sbrowning-intro-p1.html This issue has been viewed approximately 1,765 times (as of December 15, 2014) and was featured in the August 6, 2014 issue of *American Libraries Direct*, a "tightly curated" electronic newsletter sent to over 55,000 members of the American Libraries Association.

2014 Browning, S., Guedon, J., and Kaplan, L. "Metadata and Open Access: Reliably Finding Content and Finding Reliable Content." *Too much is Not Enough! Charleston Conference Proceedings 2013.* (2014) Against the Grain Press: Indiana, 505-511.

2012 Browning, S. "Augmenting Library Reality: Real Solutions for Incorporating the Virtual into the Physical." *Colorado Libraries*, (36)3.

Peer Reviewed Presentations at Meetings/Conferences
2020 Northwest Interlibrary Loan & Resource Sharing Conference, *SILLVR: Streaming Interlibrary Loan Video Resources*. Approximately 200 professionals in attendance.
2019 American Library Association Annual Conference, Washington DC, *Streaming Video: Confronting the Barriers to Sharing Between Libraries*. Approximately 100 professionals in attendance.
2019 Colorado Resource Sharing Conference, Westminster, CO, *ILL Options for Streaming Video.* Approximately 20 professionals in attendance.
2019 Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference, Austin, TX, *The Licensing Elephant in the Room: Resource Sharing for Streaming Video*. Approximately 60 professionals in attendance.
2019 Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference, Austin, TX, *Attack of the Clones!: Finding, Preventing, Merging, or Even Keeping Duplicate Ebooks*. Approximately 60 professionals in attendance.
2018 Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference, Austin, TX, *I'm Nobody! Who are You? Electronic Access for Special User Categories*
2018 Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference, Austin, TX, *The Artist Librarian: A Panel on Creativity in Librarianship*. Approximately 30 professionals in attendance.
2015 Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference, Austin, TX, *Discovery Before Purchase?!: Deepening the Relationship between Discovery and Collection Development.* Approximately 100 professionals in attendance.
2014 American Library Association Annual Conference, Las Vegas, NV, *E-Books: Discovering the Virtual Backlog.* Approximately 125 professionals in attendance.
2014 Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference, Austin, TX, *Beyond "I Clicked the Link, But It Didn't Work!": What Analyzing Troubleshooting Reveals*. Approximately 60 professionals in attendance.
2013 Charleston Conference, Charleston, SC, *Metadata and Open Access – Reliably Finding Content and Finding Reliable Content.* (50 attendees).

Non-Peer Reviewed Presentations at Meetings/Conferences
2016 NASIG (formerly the North American Serials Interest Group), Albuquerque, NM, *Dude Where's My Staff?* Approximately 100 professionals in attendance.

Invited Presentations at Meetings/Conferences
2020 Maskwacis Cultural College Microlearning Series, Edmonton, Canada, *SILLVR: Streaming Interlibrary Loan Video Resources,* Approximately 100 professionals in attendance.

2020 Boston Library Consortium Media COI Meeting, *SILLVR: Streaming Interlibrary Loan Video Resources*

2020 Greater Western Library Association Meeting, *SILLVR: Streaming Interlibrary Loan Video Resources*

2019 CALCON, Colorado Association of Libraries Annual Conference, *Discover Academic Librarianship—Career Exploration and Mentorship Opportunities*, invited member of panel discussion, (20 attendees)

2017 Academic Library Planning and Revitalization Institute, Academic Impressions, invited member of panel discussion, (30 attendees)

2017 Prospector Cataloging/Reference Meeting, Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries, *Sierra Migration*, invited to give a presentation on the library's software migration from Millennium to Sierra (20 attendees)

2014 National Information Standards Organization (NISO) Two-Day Virtual Conference: Using the Web as an E-Content Distribution Platform: Challenges and Opportunities, *Panel Discussion Introduction: What Libraries Still Need from Discovery Layers*, invited to moderate and curate the 4 person panel (40 attendees)

2014 Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference, Austin, TX, *Garbage Dump or Buffet: Librarian Adoption of Web-Scale Discovery Services*, invited member of panel discussion (60 attendees)

Peer Reviewed Publications, Exhibitions, Performances, etc. in Preparation

2021 Co-author, "How a Crisis Report Became a Marketing Tool: The Auraria Library COVID Report," to be submitted in 2021

2021 Co-author, "User Categories: Ensuring Library Access for All Institutional Users," to be re-submitted in 2021

Peer Reviewed Books and Book Chapters in Preparation

2021 (in press) Brett, Kelsey and Sommer Browning . "Auraria Library: Taking Steps to Address Algorithmic Bias in Library Systems," American Library Association Office for Diversity, Literacy and Outreach Services blog post. February 2021.

2021 Author, *Sudden Selector's Guide to Poetry*, Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) Publishing

2022 (accepted for publication) Browning, Sommer, Isabel Soto-Luna, eds. "Academic Libraries at Hispanic Serving Institutions." Library Juice Press.

Service

Professional Organizations

2020-2021 Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) Mentoring Program

2019   Colorado Academic Library Association Mentor

2015-2020   National Information Standards Organization (NISO) Education Committee Member

2014-2018   Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) Fundraising Committee Member

Community Service (selected)

2019   Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Final Project for LIS 4050: Library and Information Technologies; Associate Professor Shimelis Assefa; Interview for University of Denver MSLIS candidate's final project

2019   Visiting Lecturer for Art & Language class; Professor Carin Rodenborn; Rocky Mountain College of Art and Design, Denver

2018   Visiting Lecturer for Creative Writing class; Red Rocks Community College, Denver

2018   Women Writing in the West Literary Awards (WILLA), judge, poetry

2017   Visiting Lecturer for 12th grade English class; Victory Preparatory Academy, Denver

2017   Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Final Project for IST 613: Library Planning, Marketing, and Assessment; Professor Megan Oakleaf; Partner Librarian for Syracuse University MSLIS candidate's final project

2017   Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Final Paper for Leadership Course; Interviewed by Walden University PhD candidate for Leadership Course

2017   Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Final Paper for English Class; Interviewed by Heritage High School junior for career research paper

2017   Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Final Project for FITV 3055 - Documentary Production; Professor Jim Phalen; Interviewed by University of Colorado Denver student for final film project

2016   Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Paper for Masters of Library Science Degree Core Course: Foundations of Library and Information Science LIS 60600; Kent State University; Served as consultant for graduate student's final paper

2016   Women Writing in the West Literary Awards (WILLA), judge, poetry

2015   Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Paper for Masters of Library Science Degree Core Course: Library Information Technologies; University of Denver; Served as consultant for graduate student's final paper

2014   Women Writing in the West Literary Awards (WILLA), judge, non-fiction

2014   *Virtual Verse in the Library: Surveying the e-Poetry Landscape*; consultant and reviewer for this peer-reviewed project

2014   Visiting Lecturer for "Managing Licensed Electronic Resources in Information Organizations"; School of Library and Information Management Emporia State University

2014   Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; Manager Report for Masters of Library Science Degree Course; University of Denver; Served as consultant for graduate student's final project

2014   Individual Student Instruction / Supervision; *A Written Approach to Therapy*: Major Paper for English 1020-001; Professor Hoge; Interviewed by Metropolitan State University of Denver student for major paper

Institutional Service (Department/Primary Unit)
2019-present Auraria Library Bylaws Evaluation & Revision Team
2019-present Assessment Committee, Chair
2015-2020   Research Evaluation Committee, Chair
2014-2018   Shared Leadership Team, Secretary
2014-2015   Auraria Library Faculty, Chair
2013-2016   Faculty Research Fund Subcommittee, Chair

Institutional Service (CU Denver Campus)
2019   Research and Creative Activities Faculty Excellence Award Selection Committee
2016-2020   CU Denver Budget Priorities Committee, Secretary
2016-2018   CU Denver Auraria Library Director Search Committee
2015-2018   CU Denver Faculty Assembly

Institutional Service (CU University System)
2020   CU Libraries Summit Planning Committee
2019   CU Libraries Summit Planning Committee
2019-present CU Libraries Assessment Committee
2013-2016   CU Libraries Access & Discovery (CLAD) committee, Chair

Awards/Honors
2019   Harvard Leadership Institute for Academic Librarians program
2018   Excellence in Research and Creative Activities Award, CU Denver
2016   Excellence in Leadership Program Fellow, CU System
2015   Excellence in Librarianship Award, CU Denver