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# First Steps in Becoming a Super Searcher! The Workshop

*“it’s like a detective puzzle... You’re holding a lot of clues in your head simultaneously, fitting them all together.”*

*Ruth Pagell in Reva Basch’s Secrets of the Super Searchers: The Accumulated Wisdom of 23 of the World’s Top Online Searchers*

**Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2010**  
(1-day)

9.00am—5:00pm

**Venue:**  
Li Ka Shing Library  
Library Training Room, Level 5  
70 Stamford Road  
Singapore 178901

**Registration Fee:**  
\$ 240 (LAS Member)  
\$ 280 (Non-Member)

**Registration Contact:**  
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**Closing Date:**  
Fri, 12<sup>th</sup> February 2010

**Note: Closes at 20 registrant limit**

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- How can the pre-search Interview help me understand users’ information needs?
- When do I use the Internet, OPAC or online databases?
- What are different search techniques and strategies I can apply?

If you are curious and want to learn sustainable skills to search efficiently and effectively regardless of the search tools you use, then you should attend this course. This practical hands-on workshop will address these questions and more, in addition to introducing new concepts.

**This course is targeted at entry-level librarians and para-professionals who want to take their first steps to becoming super searchers.**

**Learning Outcomes:** By the end of this course you will be able to:

- Search more efficiently and effectively
- Differentiate among search features in tools such as the internet, OPAC and online databases
- Use skills learnt to add value to your users for their information seeking

**Course Content:**

- Information Seeking Needs of Different Library Users
- Beyond Boolean - Search Concepts, Techniques and Terminologies
- Trends and Developments in new Search Tools

**Training Approaches and Methods:**

- Lecture, Group-Work and Discussions
- Role Play and Scenarios
- Hands-on searching

## About the Trainers

**Ruth Pagell** is University Librarian at the Li Ka Shing Library. In addition to research and administrative librarian positions, she has taught formal library school courses and presented workshops on information seeking and retrieval worldwide for the past 20 years.

**Rajen Munoo** is Research Librarian at the Li Ka Shing Library. He has designed, developed and delivered numerous face-to-face and elearning courses on topics such as Advanced Internet Searching, Reference Interview Skills and New Media. His value-add is his diverse work experience in different types of libraries and countries.