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Thank you for your interest in *Alabama Libraries*! We are pleased to feature our new and improved journal for the Alabama Library Association as part of [JagWorks@USA](#), a repository of the University of South Alabama Libraries. Now that ALLA's journal is hosted by Digital Commons, a cloud-hosted institutional repository, we are able to share research on librarianship in Alabama more effectively by using Bepress software. Since Bepress works closely with Google, Google Scholar, and other search engines, we expect our journal to reach more library professionals by showing up near the top of academic and general search results. An additional benefit of this change in format and storage location is having access to impact analytics and data, assisting us in our goal of reaching even more users.

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I hope you enjoy reading the first issue of 2023—and the first issue published in this new format. For feedback on the journal's changes or questions about sending submissions, please contact me at jplatt@alasu.edu.