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**Nonprofit Publisher Annual Reviews Acquires Charleston Hub**

*Organizer of the Charleston Conference - a collaborative gathering of librarians, publishers, and vendors - joins venerable publishing group.*

(San Mateo, CA, USA, October 10, 2023) — Nonprofit publisher Annual Reviews is pleased to announce that it has acquired [Charleston Hub](#), home of the [Charleston Conference](#), the premier international library event, and [Against The Grain](#), the journal connecting publishers, vendors, and librarians.

Librarian and entrepreneur Katina Strauch organized the first Charleston Conference in 1980, with just 20 people in attendance. Over the years, the event has expanded into “something of an institution in the library world.”<sup>1</sup> This year, almost 2,000 people will come together in Charleston, South Carolina, and others will join the remote presentations scheduled for November 27-December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. In 2020, Charleston Hub was created to bring together the various websites associated with the conference.

[Richard Gallagher](#), President and Editor-in-Chief of Annual Reviews, said, “Libraries play a crucial role in ensuring that the research enterprise is impactful and equitable. This acquisition will preserve and extend a conference that addresses topics such as open science, data curation, and the role of artificial intelligence. We are excited to add the conference, *Against the Grain*, and other key Charleston Hub products to the Annual Reviews portfolio. It reinforces our commitment to the knowledge community, following our [acquisition of \*The Charleston Advisor\*](#) last year.”

[Katina Strauch](#) reflected on her search to find the right partner for the Charleston Hub. “After many discussions with countless potential buyers, I am gratified that Annual Reviews has come forward. Their vision for our team assures that those who rely on the Charleston Hub will continue to enjoy cutting edge information, mentorship, and continuity of leadership.”

[Leah Hinds](#), Executive Director of the Charleston Hub, stated, “I am pleased that Annual Reviews has made a commitment to the Charleston Hub, an esteemed resource for information and networking. The current Charleston team will remain in place, and Annual Reviews recognizes and supports the philosophy and values on which the Conference was founded and continues today. I look forward to broadening our collaboration with the library and scholarly communication community to effectively navigate the knowledge economy.”

This news will be discussed in person at the start of the four-day Charleston Conference in November 2023 by Richard Gallagher, Katina Strauch, and Leah Hinds.

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<sup>1</sup> Joseph Esposito, “People Make the Difference: Steering a Start-up to Success,” Scholarly Kitchen (Nov. 11, 2015).

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