NYLA Award Nomination Form

Thank you for your interest in nominating someone for one of our annual awards! Please complete the form below to submit your nomination by July 7th. After reviewing these materials, one of the Awards Committee Chairs will be in contact with you on the status of your nomination.

If you have any questions in the interim, please contact marketing@nyla.org. Thank you!

* 1. Nominators Full Name
   
* 2. Nominators Email Address
   
* 3. Which award are you nominating this person for?
   - Mary Bobinski Innovative Public Library Director Award
   - NYLA's Distinguished Achievement Award
   - Librarian of the Year (Public)
   - Librarian of the Year (School)
   - Librarian of the Year (Academic/Special)
2023 NYLA Annual Awards

Mary Bobinski Innovative Public Library Director Award

Purpose
The award was established in 2010 by Dr. George Bobinski, Dean and Professor Emeritus of Library and Information Studies at the University of Buffalo, to commemorate the memory and accomplishments of his wife, Mary Bobinski, Director of the Amherst Public Library in Erie County from 1973-2006. She was a past President of NYLA's Public Library Section (PLS) and past President of the Public Library Directors Association. Mary Bobinski passed away on November 20, 2009.

Criteria
- Demonstrated the value and importance of their public library to community leaders and local government officials.
- Enhanced the image of the public library through an innovative public relations program publicizing the resources and services in multiple media formats.
- Developed new programs and services to attract users and non-users.

Evidence of success would include the following:
- Increase in library usage through such measures as circulation figures, attendance statistics, library cardholders, etc.
- Increase in financial support in the regular budget and/or gifts and contributions from the community.

Recognition
Recipient will receive a check in the amount of $1,500 [increased from $1,200 at the request of Dr. Bobinski]

Recipient will be acknowledged at the Awards Banquet at NYLA's Annual Conference, on the NYLA website, and in the NYLA Voice.

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4. Nominee Details

Name

Library/Organization

Address

Address 2

City/Town

State/Province

ZIP/Postal Code

Email Address

5. In brief, why are you nominating this person for this award based on the criteria identified above?


6. In brief, please provide examples of demonstrated success in the criteria indicated above?


7. Please upload two (2) letters of support for your nominee

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NYLA’s Distinguished Achievement Award

Purpose
This award recognizes an individual who has made a significant commitment to the advancement of the profession, both by service to their institution and service to NYLA.

Criteria
The Distinguished Achievement Award will be presented to a NYLA member who meets the following criteria:

- Active NYLA member for at least 10 years
- Has made a substantial contribution to the profession and the Association

*This award is for NYLA members who have been involved in all capacities, not just librarians and not just from the largest sections.

Recognition
The recipient will receive an engraved plaque, recognition at NYLA’s Annual Conference, and honorary lifetime membership.

Recipient will be acknowledged at the Awards Banquet at NYLA’s Annual Conference, on NYLA’s website, and in the NYLA Voice.

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10. In brief, please provide examples of distinguished achievement in the criteria indicated above?


11. Please upload two (2) letters of support for your nominee

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2023 NYLA Annual Awards

Librarian of the Year (Academic/Special)

Purpose
The award is intended to honor an academic/special librarian who during the past 12 - 18 months demonstrated extraordinary leadership and service within their community. Librarians at any stage in their careers are eligible for this award, as well as individuals working to support academic/special librarians: library school instructors, ESLN director, and staff with MLS, MSIS/Professional certification.

Criteria
- A librarian with an MLS/MSIS or Professional Degree;
- Has made a significant contribution by demonstrating the value of academic/special libraries;
- Has enhanced the image of academic/special librarians and/or academic/special libraries;
- Promotes an accessible and positive climate in the library;
- Advances community relations;
- Initiating a new library service or program.

Recognition
The Academic/Special Librarian of the Year Award will be presented to an NYLA member (the award includes a plaque and recognition at the Annual Banquet.)

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13. In brief, why are you nominating this person for this award based on the criteria identified above?


14. In brief, please provide examples of success based on the criteria indicated above?


15. Please upload two (2) letters of support for your nominee

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2023 NYLA Annual Awards

Librarian of the Year (Public)

**Purpose**
The award is intended to honor a public librarian who during the past 12 - 18 months demonstrated extraordinary leadership and service within their community. Librarians at any stage in their careers are eligible for this award, as well as individuals working to support public librarians: library school instructors, public library system directors, and staff with MLS, MSIS/Professional certification.

**Criteria**
- A librarian with an MLS/MSIS or Professional Degree;
- Has made a significant contribution by demonstrating the value of public libraries;
- Has enhanced the image of public librarians and/or public libraries;
- Promotes an accessible and positive climate in the library;
- Advances community relations;
- Initiating a new library service or program.

**Recognition**
The Public Librarian of the Year Award will be presented to a NYLA member (the award includes a plaque and recognition at the Annual Banquet).

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18. In brief, please provide examples of success based on the criteria indicated above?

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2023 NYLA Annual Awards

Librarian of the Year (School)

Purpose
The award is intended to honor a school librarian who during the past 12 - 18 months demonstrated extraordinary leadership and service within their community. Librarians at any stage in their careers are eligible for this award, as well as individuals working to support school librarians: library school instructors, school library system director, and staff with MLS, MSIS/Professional certification.

Criteria
- A certified school library media specialist or teacher librarian;
- Has made a significant contribution by demonstrating the value of school libraries;
- Has enhanced the image of school librarians and/or school libraries;
- Promotes an accessible and positive climate in the library;
- Advances community relations.

Recognition
The School Librarian of the Year Award will be presented to an NYLA member (the award includes a plaque and recognition at the Annual Banquet).

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