

## **LIBRARIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD**

**SPONSOR:** Public Section of the Louisiana Library Association

**FREQUENCY:** Annual, if merited.

**DEADLINE:** January 16<sup>th</sup> of the award year.

**PURPOSE:** To recognize the outstanding contribution of a Louisiana public librarian who is not a director.

**DESCRIPTION:** Engraved plaque.

**PREREQUISITES:**

**REQUIREMENTS:**

1. LLA member; MLS or MLIS; and minimum 5 years experience in libraries. This award is for any professional librarian except the library director.
2. Nominations must be made by a current member of the Public Section.
3. Completed nomination forms will be sent to the LLA executive office.

**EVALUATION CRITERIA:**

1. The award is to be determined from the nomination forms and the supporting data
2. The nomination statement should include:
  - a. Improvement of library service in Louisiana.
  - b. Superior customer service and evidence of how the librarian has reached library patrons, students or other clients.
  - c. Development of innovative approaches to library and information issues.
  - d. Contribution to the development of the library profession through participation in the association.
  - e. Contributions to literature, teaching and/or other related activities.
3. Supportive data could be included in the text of the statement in narrative or tabular form. These may include:
  - a. Basic information about the candidate's public library system.
  - b. Biographical data.
  - c. Additional endorsements from other public librarians.