



**Louisiana Library Association
Public Library Section**

LIBRARIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD 2021

SPONSOR: Public Section of the Louisiana Library Association

FREQUENCY: Annual.

NOMINATIONS OPEN: November 15th of the year prior to the award year.

DEADLINE: February 28, 2021

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

AWARD: Recipient will receive an engraved plaque, one-year paid membership to LLA, and a three-year position on the Librarian of the Year Award Committee.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Nominees must be an LLA member; hold a MLS or MLIS or; and currently work in a public library in Louisiana. This award is for any professional librarian except the library director.
2. At least one nomination must be made by a current member of LLA. Additional nominations may be submitted by members of the library community. Nominator information will remain anonymous.
3. Nominations may be completed online at <https://rb.gy/3jgxrj> or emailed to //lapublicsection@gmail.com.

QUESTIONS: Questions about the Librarian of the Year Award or the nomination process may be emailed to //lapublicsection@gmail.com.

EVALUATION CRITERIA:

1. The award is to be determined from the nomination forms and the supporting data
2. The nomination statement should describe the positive impact of the librarian on the library and their community. Statements may 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. Qualified nominees will be contacted to provide additional information, including:
 - a. Basic information about the candidate's public library system.
 - b. Biographical data.