Ken Haycock Award For Promoting Librarianship

In 2007, Dr. Ken Haycock generously donated to the former Canadian Library Association (CLA) to establish an award for promoting librarianship. With the dissolution of CLA in 2016, OLA accepted a transfer of the funds to continue presenting the award. The Canadian Urban Libraries Council (CULC/CBUC) will be leading the Nominations process on behalf of the Award and OLA.

Nomination Process
Submit a letter explaining how the nominee meets the criteria below. Please provide specific examples. Your letter must include:
- The nominator’s name and contact information
- The nominee’s name and contact information

Submit nominations to: info@culc.ca with the subject line containing the nomination title and the nominee’s name.
Nominations are due November 1st each year.

Criteria
The Ken Haycock Award for Promoting Librarianship is awarded to a candidate who has demonstrated exceptional success in enhancing the public recognition and appreciation of librarianship. This may have been accomplished through:
- Exceptional practice as a librarian;
- Teaching the profession in formal and informal settings: or
- Writing

Selection will also be based on the nominee’s demonstrated actions as an Ambassador and role model for librarianship.

Other considerations
- The award recognizes exceptional achievement outside of the usual awareness activity a professional is expected to do.
- Nominees may be from any Canadian province or territory.

Selection
A Nominations Committee representing different types of libraries will be formed each year. The committee will make a recommendation to the OLA Board of Directors for ratification. Where nominated candidates do not achieve the level of success deemed necessary by the Nominations Committee, the Award will not be presented.

Presentation
The award will be presented in conjunction with the appropriate Conference or Library Event of the recipient’s type of library.

Award
The Award includes a cash prize of $1000, in addition to a plaque recognizing the recipient’s achievement.
Past Recipients
2019  Donna Bourne-Tyson, Dalhousie University Libraries
2018  Sandra Singh, Vancouver Public Library
2017  Jeff Barber, Regina Public Library
2016  Not awarded
2015  Leslie Weir, University of Ottawa
2014  Not awarded
2013  Ernie Ingles, University of Alberta
2012  Pilar Martinez, Edmonton Public Library
2011  Wendy Newman, University of Toronto
2010  Allan Wilson, Prince George Public Library
2009  Karen Lindsay, Reynolds Secondary School, Victoria BC
2008  The Alberta Library