The Ontario Library Association Announces 2018 Award Recipients
Association recognizes contribution and achievement in Ontario’s libraries

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TORONTO, ON (January 25, 2018): The Ontario Library Association (OLA) is thrilled to recognize several individuals and organizations that have greatly contributed to Ontario’s libraries. From library advocacy to program development, the recipients of OLA’s 2018 awards have supported school, academic and public libraries with outstanding service to their communities.

Awards will be presented to recipients during the annual OLA Super Conference, held from Jan. 31 to Feb. 3, 2018 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre.

The award winners are:

- Ontario Library Association Archival and Preservation Achievement Award: David Sharron, Brock University
- Ontario Library Association Larry Moore Distinguished Service Award: Richard Reid, Durham District School Board
- Ontario Library Association Les Fowlie Intellectual Freedom Award: Vickery Bowles, Toronto Public Library
- Ontario Library Association Media and Communications Award: Mary Baxter and Steve Paikin, TVO’s The Agenda
- Ontario Library Association President’s Award: Dr. Guy Berthiaume, Library and Archives Canada
- Ontario Library Association Technical Services Award: Janet Rushton, Idea Exchange
- Ken Haycock Award For Promoting Librarianship: Sandra Singh, Vancouver Public Library
- Ontario College and University Library Association (OCULA) Award for Special Achievement: The Learning Portal, College Libraries Ontario in Partnership with Ontario Colleges Library Service (OCLS)
- Ontario College and University Library Association (OCULA) Lifetime Achievement Award: Gladys Watson, Centennial College Libraries
- Ontario Library Boards’ Association (OLBA) W.J. Robertson Medallion: Catherine Biss, Markham Public Library
- Ontario Public Library Association (OPLA) James Bain Medallion: Shelagh Harris, Richmond Hill Public Library
Ontario Public Library Association (OPLA) Lifetime Achievement Award: Susanna Hubbard Krimmer, London Public Library

Ontario School Library Association (OSLA) Award for Special Achievement: Elementary Teachers’ Federation of Ontario (ETFO)

Ontario School Library Association (OSLA) Teacher-Librarian of the Year: Sue MacLachlan, Hamilton Wentworth DSB

Congratulations to all our award recipients! More information on awards is available at accessola.com/awards.

About the Ontario Library Association: The Ontario Library Association (OLA) is a centre of excellence for the library and information sector, with more than 5,000 members who work in public, school, academic and special libraries. OLA members advocate for the right of individuals to have free and equitable access to information. Our members research, develop and participate in educational programs designed to provide exemplary library services. Signature OLA events include the annual Super Conference and the Forest of Reading® program.

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