

## **OLA Archival and Preservation Achievement Award**

### **Description**

The Ontario Library Association recognizes Ontario-based individuals and institutions that have made significant achievements on a personal or institutional level in the field of preservation and/or conservation for library and/or archival materials.

### **Criteria / Eligibility**

- The recipient will be a member/member institution in good standing of OLA.
- Nominations will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

#### **METHODOLOGY**

Contributions to the development, application or utilization of new or improved methods, techniques and routines.

#### **LEADERSHIP**

Leadership in either an organization or a significant archival or preservation project.

#### **RESEARCH**

Evidence of studies, research, or contribution to professional literature.

#### **PARTNERSHIP**

Partnerships and strategic alliances with industry, the community and/or other institutions.

#### **MENTORING**

Training and professional mentoring in the field of archives and/or preservation.

### **Nomination Procedure**

- Nominators must be a member in good standing of OLA.
- The nomination form can be found on the awards page on the OLA website.
- Nominations will be accepted between: September – November.
- The closing date for nominations in any given year is: 1 November.
- Once the winner has been chosen, the OLA President or designate will contact the successful nominator.
  - The OLA office will contact all unsuccessful nominators.

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- Unless otherwise arranged, the OLA President or designate will also contact the successful nominee and request a photo for promotion purposes.
  - The OLA office will later connect with the nominator and the winner for award presentation logistics.
- If desired, nominators may be involved in the award presentation such as creating and/or writing the presentation speech. Please indicate your interest to do so in the nomination form.

### **Selection Process**

- The OLA Awards Committee will review all of the applications and assess candidates' eligibility.
- Eligible applications will be assessed according to the criteria as above and any supporting the documentation.
- The OLA Awards Committee will present all qualified candidates to the OLA Board for consideration. The Board will consider all potential candidates, including those nominated from the membership.
- The presentation of the award is at the discretion of the OLA Board and is not necessarily presented on an annual basis.

### **Award Presentation Information**

- The winner will be notified in advance of the award presentation.
- This award is presented at the OLA annual Super Conference.
- The recipient will prepare a short acceptance speech.
- Guests of award winners are welcome to attend the award presentation, however, they must be registered conference attendees or registered guests. All attendees must have a conference badge to be onsite. Further information will be provided to the recipient.