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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 completed by visiting: <https://accessola.com/membership-information/awards/>
- Nominations will be accepted between: September – November.
- The closing date for nominations in any given year is: 15 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.
- 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 process for this award is stewarded by the [OLA Awards Committee](#), which is a subcommittee of the OLA Board of Directors.
- The presentation of the award is at the discretion of the OLA Board and is not necessarily presented on an annual basis.
- 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.

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.