

ACRL's 2004 Awards Program

Honoring outstanding achievements in academic librarianship

by Mary Jane Petrowski

For more than three quarters of a century, ACRL has been committed to celebrating the achievements of deserving academic and research librarians through the presentation of awards, grants, and fellowships. Every year, ACRL extends recognition and honor to the winners of its awards. Thanks to generous corporate sponsorship that provides almost \$30,000, ACRL has and will continue to nominate, select, and honor the very best in academic librarianship.

Nominate your colleagues

ACRL members are an integral part of our successful awards program. Please consider acknowledging those who have influenced your thinking, your practice, and your growth as an academic or research librarian. We urge you to nominate colleagues whose work you admire, and whose contributions merit recognition by the profession. Your nominations will ensure that the pool of candidates for each award remains both competitive and distinguished.

A brief description of each award is listed here.



2002–03 ACRL President Helen H. Spalding (right), presented Marc Truitt, University of Notre Dame Libraries, and Katharine Farrell, Princeton University Library, with the Samuel Lazarow Fellowship at the 2003 ALA Annual Conference.

Achievement and distinguished service awards

- **Excellence in Academic Libraries Award** (sponsored by *Blackwell's Book Services*): \$3,000 for each type-of-library award (college, community college, and university). Recognizes academic libraries that are outstanding in furthering the educational missions of their institutions.

- **Academic or Research Librarian of the Year Award**

(sponsored by YBP Library Services): \$3,000 award. Recognizes an outstanding member of the academic or research library profession.

- **Hugh C. Atkinson Memorial Award**

(sponsored by *ACRL, ALCTS, LAMA, and LITA*): \$2,000 award. Recognizes outstanding achievements (including risk-taking) in the areas of li-

brary automation, management, or development and research.

- **Marta Lange/CQ Award** (sponsored by *Congressional Quarterly, Inc.*): \$1,000 award. Recognizes a librarian who has made distinguished contributions to bibliography and information

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service in law or political science.

• **Miriam Dudley Instruction Librarian Award** (sponsored by *Elsevier Science, Ltd.*): \$1,000 award. Recognizes an individual librarian for significant contributions to the advancement of instruction in a college or research library environment.

• **Instruction Section Innovation in Instruction Award** (sponsored by *Lexis-Nexis*): \$3,000 award for librarians who have implemented innovative approaches to information literacy at their respective institutions or in their communities.

• **Community College Learning Resources Leadership/Library Achievement Awards** (sponsored by *EBSCO Information Services*): \$500 for each of two awards recognizing outstanding achievement in library programs or leadership.

• **Distinguished Education and Behavioral Sciences Librarian Award:** Citation. Honors outstanding contributions to education and behavioral sciences librarianship through accomplishments and service to the profession.

• **Women's Studies Section Awards for Achievement** (sponsored by *Greenwood Publishing Group, Inc.* and *Routledge*): \$1,000 for each of two awards recognizing career or significant achievements in the area of women's studies librarianship.

Research awards/grants

• **Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship** (sponsored by *Thomson ISI*): \$1,500 to assist doctoral students in the field with their dissertation research.

• **Samuel Lazerow Fellowship** (sponsored by *Thomson ISI*): \$1,000 cash for travel and writing in the fields of acquisition or technical services.

• **Coutts Nijhoff West European Specialist Study Grant** (sponsored by *Coutts Nijhoff International*): Grant that supports research pertaining to Western European studies, librarianship, or the book trade.

Publications

• **Katharine Kyes Leab and Daniel J. Leab Exhibition Catalogue Awards** (sponsored by Katharine Kyes Leab and Daniel J. Leab, *American Book Prices Current*): Recognizes outstanding catalogs published by American or Canadian institutions in conjunction with library exhibitions.

• **Instruction Section Publication of the Year Award:** Recognizes an outstanding publication related to instruction in a library environment published in the last two years.

Need more information?

Complete information about the ACRL awards program, including nomination procedures, past winners, criteria, and contacts, is available through the ACRL Web site at www.acrl.org (click on "Awards") or contact ACRL Associate Director Mary Jane Petrowski at (800) 545-2433 ext. 2523.

December 6, 2003, is the deadline for most of the awards to be presented in 2004.

We welcome your nominations and look forward to celebrating achievements in academic librarianship in 2004. ■

ACRL offering two online seminars this fall

ACRL has expanded its online learning options and will be offering two seminars this fall on important topics that will provide you with skills you need.

Assessing student learning outcomes, October 20–November 8

This seminar is designed to give librarians the skills to create assessment tools to measure student information literacy. After completing the course, academic librarians will be prepared to work with faculty to design, implement, and evaluate tools for assessing student learning outcomes.

All users are local, November 3–22

"All users are local: Bringing the library next door to the campus worldwide" will provide you with the information you need to design a plan for library support of distance education at your institution. Participants will create a planning document as they proceed through the course, enabling them to walk away with a tool for future program development.

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