

WHSLA Librarian of the Year

Purpose: This career award is bestowed upon a professional (MLS or equivalent) librarian in recognition of outstanding leadership, achievement and commitment to the library profession.* The librarian shall be currently employed in a Wisconsin health sciences library and must be an active member of WHSLA.

Criteria: The award may be based upon, but not limited to, such activities as the following:

1. Distinguished service to the profession; outstanding participation in activities of professional associations; and notable publications, presentations and projects.
2. Dedicated leadership and vision in health sciences libraries including automation technology, management, networking, education or service.
3. Active support of and participation in WHSLA.
4. Enhancement, expansion and interpretation of library service to the community and/or strengthening of the library's role and position in the community.
5. Development of innovative programs that have benefited WHSLA members.

Guidelines:

1. Nominations are accepted from WHSLA members. Self-nominations are welcome.
2. Nomination forms will be published in the WHSLA Newsletter and must be sent by July 1st to the WHSLA President.
3. The WHSLA Executive Board will comprise the Awards Committee with the President serving as Chair. The President will present the award.
4. Established jury procedures shall be followed with regard to selection, notification, and maintenance of records.
5. All nominations and supporting documentation are considered confidential.
6. The award shall be given at the annual WHSLA meeting.
7. Re-nominations may occur.
8. Only one award will be made per year. The award need not be given each year.
9. The recipient will receive an inscribed plaque and feature story in the WHSLA Newsletter. The story shall be written by the WHSLA President who presented the award at the Annual Meeting. The story shall be published in the first newsletter issue published after the Meeting. Excerpts from the nomination form may only be used if the nominator gives express permission.
10. The plaque shall be purchased by the chair of the Awards Committee and shall contain the following inscription:

Wisconsin Health Science
Library Association
Year
LIBRARIAN OF THE YEAR
NAME
Institution
Library

Year shall be the year that the award is given.

*Not meant to be a retirement recognition award.

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Nominating Form

Name of Nominee: _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Phone: _____

Person Nominating: _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____

Phone: _____

Using the Criteria and Guidelines for the WHSLA Librarian of the Year, please describe your reasons for this nomination.
Use additional sheets if necessary.

This form (along with ten photocopies) must be sent by
July 1 20__ to:

(WHSLA President)

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