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Nominations Now Being Accepted for Indiana Authors Awards

Is there an emerging, regional or national author whose work you feel is deserving of recognition? If so, The Indianapolis Public



Library Foundation is seeking your

nominations for the sixth-annual Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana Authors Award through Friday, March 21, 2014.

Any published writer who was born in Indiana or who has lived in Indiana for at least five consecutive years is eligible for nomination. A nine-member, statewide award panel will select winners in three categories from the publicly nominated authors:

- National Author \$10,000 prize: A writer with Indiana ties, but whose work is known and read throughout the country. National authors will be evaluated on their entire body of work.
- Regional Author \$7,500 prize: A writer who is well-known and respected throughout the state of Indiana. Regional authors will be evaluated on their entire body of work.
- Emerging Author \$5,000 prize: A writer who has published no more than two books during his/her lifetime. The title(s) must have been published within the last 10 years. Emerging authors will be evaluated on these specific works.

In addition to a cash prize, each author's Indiana hometown public library will receive a grant of \$2,500 from the Library Foundation. The nomination process is quick, easy and free of charge. Authors previously nominated in the past five years will be considered again for the 2014 Award.

On October 25, 2014, the Library Foundation will honor the winning authors at an Awards Dinner at the Central Library in downtown Indianapolis. This date will also feature free public programs and workshops featuring notable Hoosier authors throughout the day. More information about this event, the nomination process, and other program activities and resources is available at indianaauthorsaward.org.

Register & Plan for Teen Tech Week Coming March 9-15 Rock Star Librarian Training

Teen Tech Week: March 9-15

The time has come "DIY @ your library!" Registration for Teen Tech Week™, the Young Adult Library Services Association's (YALSA) annual celebration of digital literacy and technology is now open.

During Teen Tech Week (March 9-15, 2014) demonstrate the value your library gives to the community by offering teens a space to extend learning beyond the classroom where they can explore, create and share content. Libraries can

leverage the do-it-yourself theme to show how you connect in meaningful ways with the teens in your community.

Visit the Teen Tech Week website to register or for more information, including promotional materials and programming ideas. Also, help get the word out about this event with the hashtag #TTW14.

Teen Tech Week is a national initiative sponsored by the Young Adult Library Services Association and is aimed at teens, their parents, educators and other concerned adults. The purpose of the initiative is to ensure that teens gain the digital literacy skills they need—with the help of libraries—in order to be successful in school and prepared to participate in a 21st century workforce.

LSTA Grant Applications Being Accepted Until March 14

The application process is now open for the 2014 LSTA grant program. **Technology Grant, Digitization Grant** and ongoing grant opportunities are available for Indiana libraries, and historical and cultural organizations.

If you have questions about your eligibility, a grant application requirement, or anything else concerning 2014 LSTA grant opportunities, please contact the Library Development Office at LDO@library.in.gov or (800) 451-6028. Visit the LSTA homepage to learn more how LSTA grants support Indiana libraries.

Upcoming Workshops & Important Dates

INSPIRE Webinars from Gale

When: Now through April Where: Live Online

2014 CSLP Training: 0-12

When: Multiple Dates Where: Multiple Locations

2014 CSLP Training: 13-Adult

When: Multiple Dates Where: Multiple Locations

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ACA Overview

When: February 21 @ 10:00 AM (CST) Where: Newton Co. PL - Roselawn

Health Literacy

When: February 21 @ 1:00 PM (CST) Where: Newton Co. PL - Roselawn

Reboot 2014: ILF Library & Info **Technology Division Conference**

When: February 28

Where: Plainfield-Guilford Twp. PL

PLA Conference

When: March 11-15

Where: Indiana Convention Center

LSTA Grant Applications Due

When: March 14 @ 4:00 PM

inclusion in The Wednesday | February is Library Lovers Month Library **Discovery to Delivery V** Word **Lovers' Month** When: April 25 @ 9:00 AM Library Lovers' Month is a month-long celebration of school, Where: Indianapolis PL - Central public, and private libraries of all types. This is a time for Find us on: everyone, especially library support groups, to recognize the value of libraries and to work to assure that the Nation's Become a fan of the State View free LEU libraries will continue to serve. opportunities from: Library on Facebook Click here to learn ways to host Library Lovers' Month events Follow the State Library LYRASIS Product Discounts at your library. on Twitter WebJunction Indiana

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