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## Annual Competition Recognizes 2011 Best Books of Indiana

The Indiana Center for the Book recently announced winners and finalists for the 2011 Best Indiana Books of Indiana Competition. The following authors and books took first place in their respective categories:

- **Children/Young Adult Category:** *Sources of Light* by Margaret McMullan (Evansville). Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, Boston.
- **Fiction Category:** *The Scorpion Trail* by Larry Sweazy (Noblesville). Berkley Publishing Group, New York.
- **Nonfiction Category:** *The Art of Writing Nonfiction* by James Alexander Thom (Bloomington, IN). Writer's Digest Books, Cincinnati.
- **Poetry Category:** *Shadows Set in Concrete* by J.L. Kato (Beech Grove). Restoration Press, Indianapolis.

The Indiana Center for the Books administers the Best Books of Indiana contest annually and accepts entries from Hoosier authors or books that have an Indiana theme or setting. Indiana residents can borrow any Best Books of Indiana title from the State Library or request a copy via interlibrary loan at their local public library. A [complete listing](#) of this year's finalists and judges' comments, as well as past years' winners and finalists, can be found on the [Indiana Center for the Book's website](#).

## Leading State Historical Organizations Partner for Article Prize

**Hoosier Historical Collections Article Prize**

The *Indiana Magazine of History* announces the inaugural Hoosier Historical Collections Article Prize,

offered for the best article based upon resources found in three of the state's primary historical collections: the Indiana State Library, the Indiana Historical Society, and the Indiana State Archives, all of which are sponsoring contest. The author of the winning submission will receive \$750.00 and publication in the *IMH*.

The winning article must conform to the [basic guidelines for IMH article submissions](#) and should rely substantially upon primary resources (of any format) owned by one or more of the three participating repositories. Preference will be given to topics supported by research at more than one of the institutions. Submissions should be based upon original research that contributes new information or a new interpretation to subjects appropriate for publication in the *Indiana Magazine of History*.

Submissions must be received by December 31, 2012, and will be judged by a committee of scholars convened by the IMH editorial staff.

## State Library Welcomes New LDO Supervisor

The Indiana State Library this week welcomed Steven J. Schmidt to its new supervisor of the Library Development Office (LDO). He comes to the State Library from the University Libraries of Columbus (Ind.) where he was director of the merged academic library, which serves

## Open Position @ State Library

The State Library has an immediate opening for its Talking Book and Braille Library Division Supervisor. This position coordinates and develops library services to Hoosiers with visual physical impairments that prevent them from using regular printed materials. The TBBL Supervisor is responsible for managing the division's staff, consulting with Indiana's subregional TBBL libraries, producing publications, and organizing outreach efforts & other public education programs.

To learn more about this opportunity, visit [in.gov/spd](http://in.gov/spd) and reference Job ID #575435.

## Upcoming Events & Workshops

### ECRR Workshop Series

When: September 9, 24 & 29  
Where: Multiple Locations

### Evergreen Intro Cataloguing

When: September 12 @ 9:00 AM  
Where: Indiana State Library

### Evergreen Admin/Reports Training

When: September 12 @ 1:00 PM  
Where: Indiana State Library

### Testing & Education Reference Center Webinar

When: September 12 @ 2:00 PM  
Where: Live Online

### 2011 SAMS Conference

When: September 15 & 16  
Where: West Lafayette PL

### ACPL Library Camp 2011

When: September 16  
Where: Allen Co. Public Library

### Evergreen Circ. Training

When: September 22 @ 9:00 AM  
Where: Indiana State Library

### Indiana Vision Expo/Walk

When: September 24 @ 9:00 AM  
Where: Indiana State Library

### Government Websites

When: September 27 @ 10:00 AM  
Where: Washington Carnegie PL

### eResources Workshop

When: September 27 @ 1:15 PM  
Where: Washington Carnegie PL

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Indiana University – Purdue University Columbus (IUPUC), Ivy Tech Community College and the Purdue University College of Technology. Steve brings nearly three decades of library experience as an instructor (SLIS-Indianapolis 1989-1998), researcher and library administrator.

Steve is currently an active member of the American Library Association, Association of College and Research Libraries, Academic Libraries of Indiana and Indiana Library Federation (ILF) where he served as President (1997) and was named the organization’s “Outstanding Librarian” in 1992. His professional service also includes Inspire Steering Committee Chair (2000 – 2002), ILF Membership Chair (2002-2005) & ILF/AIME Merger Negotiation Team Leader (1997 – 1998).

“We are excited to welcome Steve to the State Library,” said Roberta Brooker, State Librarian. “His extensive library experience and leadership in the library community are a great asset for the Library Development Office.”

As LDO supervisor, Steve will oversee all functions of the office, including the delivery statewide library services, administration and monitoring of federal Library Services and Technology Act grant projects, and provision of consultant services in specialized areas. Steve has undergraduate degrees in Creative Writing-Playwriting and German Language & Literature from Butler University and received his Masters in Library and Information Science from Indiana University.

### **Advanced INSPIRE K-12 Resources**

When: September 27 @ 1:00 PM

Where: Indiana State Library

### **ILF Legislative Forum**

When: October 4 (All Day)

Where: Oak Hill Mansion - Carmel

### **Ind. Black Librarians Network 10th Anniversary Conference**

When: October 14 & 15

Where: Purdue University Black Cultural Center - West Lafayette

### **SW Indiana YA Roundtable**

When: October 18 @ 11:00 AM (CST)

Where: Oakland City Public Library

### **Indiana Genealogy & Local History Fair**

When: October 22 @ 9:00 AM

Where: Indiana State Library

### **ILF Annual Conference**

When: November 14-16

Where: Fort Wayne

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