AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN REFERENCE & ADULT LIBRARY SERVICES

Established in 1990, the Award for Excellence in Reference and Adult Library Services is a citation and $3,000* cash award presented to a library or library system for developing an imaginative and unique resource to meet patrons' reference needs. The resource can be a bibliography, a guide to the literature of a specific subject, a directory, a database, or any other project that has helped the library meet adult or children's reference needs. Tools, guides or databases that have been developed for reader's advisory or adult service questions and needs are also eligible for the award. Self-nominations are accepted.

*Monetary award amounts are subject to change without notice and are contingent upon donor funding supplied at the time the award is presented.

Date ______________

NOMINEE INFORMATION

Name of Project/Resource ____________________________________________

Brief Description of Project (maximum 1500 words) ________________________

Project Contact Name ________________________________________________

Title & Organization (if applicable) ______________________________________

Mailing Address _______________________________________________________

E-mail Address ___________________________ Preferred Phone No. ______________

NOMINATOR INFORMATION (Self-nominations are accepted)

Name _______________________________________________________________

Title & Organization (if applicable) ______________________________________

Mailing Address _______________________________________________________

E-mail Address ___________________________ Preferred Phone No. ______________

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:
The materials should include a letter of nomination stating in detail how the resource has contributed to meeting patrons' or users' reference needs.
In particular, the letter should include:
• A description of the resource and its format(s), for example, database, multi-media, etc.
• A list of sources or related materials used to compile the resource.
• The target audience for the resource and how it is promoted and used
• Criteria used in selecting material for inclusion. (If the resource is inclusive, please state so clearly.)
• The scope and breadth of coverage, for example, the time and subject, of the resource.
• An explanation of what makes the resource imaginative or unique.
• A representative sample of the resource (or entry, pages, printout, links, etc.) must accompany the nomination.

DEADLINE:
Submissions must be received by December 4, 2015.

Email: ekkornak1@gmail.com – RE/Subject Line: RUSA Award for Excellence in Reference and Adult Services

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