The Virginia Boucher OCLC Distinguished ILL Librarian Award annually recognizes a librarian for outstanding professional achievement, leadership, and contributions to interlibrary loan and document delivery through recent publication of significant professional literature, participation in professional associations, and/or innovative approaches to practice in individual libraries. The deadline for receiving submissions is December 15.
What is STARS?

STARS is on the cutting edge of resource sharing ideas and trends and offers programs, discussion groups, continuing education, and networking opportunities to support resource sharing practitioners.

Resource sharing knows no boundaries. STARS unites librarians, library staff, and vendors from all over the globe to realize its vision of advancing the resource sharing profession.

STARS brings together the intelligence and vitality of its members who make resource sharing and ILL so successful.

We have a bright future.

Join STARS today!

STARS Committees

STARS has a variety of committees to suit your interests! You can find the online volunteer form at http://www.ala.org/RUSA/STARS.

Boucher Award

Annual award recognizing a librarian for outstanding professional achievement, leadership, and contributions to interlibrary loan and document delivery.

Codes, Guidelines, and Technical Standards

Maintains and promotes the Interlibrary Loan Code for the United States and develops, maintains and promotes other guidelines in support of resource sharing.

Cooperative Collection Development

Studies, promotes, and supports cooperative collection development and related user service issues.

Cooperative-Remote Circulation

Provides a collaborative venue between RUSA/STARS and LAMA/SASS that draws together the management of technology for remote circulation and cooperative access with access services practitioners and product vendors to improve and enhance resource sharing methods, services, and products through the sponsorship of programs, discussions, publications, and projects.

Education and Training

Develops continuing education programs in a variety of formats and venues based on the needs of the resource sharing community.

Interlibrary Loan

Evaluates current trends in interlibrary loan and recommends solutions to related problems. Fosters cooperative ILL ventures.

International Interlibrary Loan

Evaluates trends in international interlibrary loan and resource sharing and develops materials and resources for international ILL practitioners. Sponsors and promotes international ILL resource sharing efforts, research projects, training and professional development and liaison opportunities.

Legislation and Licensing

Monitors legislative and regulatory developments affecting resource sharing, elicits concerns regarding legislative and regulatory issues that impinge upon resource sharing, and develops and publicizes strategies for responding to these issues.

Membership

Proposes, develops and implements strategies to increase and retain existing STARS members. Serves as the public relations arm of STARS by promoting involvement in committees and social events and making the community aware of STARS activities.

Organization

Advises the STARS Executive Committee regarding the structural organization of the section; to develop, review, and maintain the section handbook and bylaws; to participate in planning for the section and to monitor and report on progress toward meeting the section’s goals.

Research and Statistics

Explores, develops, and promotes research and statistics that focus on the current needs of access to library resources.

Vendor Relations

Monitors and collaborates in resource sharing product and service development; provides a forum for the exchange of information between resource sharing practitioners and the vendors whose products and services support resource sharing activities.

STARS Discussion Groups

Hot Topics

Discussion of current resource sharing issues.

Interlibrary Loan

Discussion of issues pertaining to interlibrary loan in libraries of all types and sizes.

STARS-L Discussion List

Keep up with the latest news about STARS resource sharing activities on the STARS-L discussion list. To join, go to http://www.ala.org/RUSA/STARS and click on ‘Our Section’. Sign Up today!