

ALA American Library Association

Intellectual Freedom Round Table

Gerald Hodges Intellectual Freedom Chapter Relations Award ala.org/rt/ifrt/hodges

The Gerald Hodges Intellectual Freedom Chapter Relations Award consists of a citation and \$1,000 and recognizes an intellectual freedom focused organization that has developed a strong multi-year, ongoing program or a single, one-year project that exemplifies support for intellectual freedom, patron confidentiality, and anti-censorship efforts.

Criteria

- An ALA chapter or other qualified organization has been unusually successful in coalition-building so that allied groups are marshaled effectively to support intellectual freedom at the national, state, or regional level.
- An ALA chapter or other qualified organization has done an exemplary PR task in promoting awareness of intellectual freedom issues at the national, state, or region level.
- A project has been effective in recruiting activists within and outside of librarianship to work on intellectual freedom projects.
- A structure has been conceived that markedly enhances the continuity and effectiveness of the organization's efforts in intellectual freedom.
- A chapter, etc. has succeeded in galvanizing to an unusual extent support for intellectual freedom within a state chapter.
- A chapter, etc. has intervened with special effectiveness in an intellectual freedom crisis at the national, state, or regional level. Such intervention should, preferably, have resulted in a clear victory over the forces of censorship.
- Projects that can be generalized to other chapters, etc. will merit special attention of the Gerald Hodges Intellectual Freedom Chapter Relations Award.

Gerald Hodges Intellectual Freedom Chapter Relations Award Nomination
Form

Deadline

The deadline for nominations is February 1, 2025.

Nominations

What organization is being nominated for the Hodges Award?

What kind of organization is it? (Select One):

- State Chapter
- Regional Chapter
- Student Chapter
- Round Table
- Division
- Affiliate
- Other _____

Contact Information. Please include the name of the organization's president/director/chair; mailing address, phone number, email. and website:

Reason for nomination. Please describe the following: 1) The program or project; and 2) How the organization meets one or more criteria for this award.

References. Indicate two individuals who would be in a position to speak to the effectiveness of the project. Include their affiliation with the organization that is being nominated and include their contact information: name, organization, position, mailing address, phone number, and email.

Nominator. Please Include your contact information: name, organization, position, mailing address, phone number, and website.

Nominator Email: _____

Is this a self-nomination?

- Yes
- No

Nominations and supporting evidence can be sent via email or mail to:
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