

# ZORA NEALE HURSTON AWARD NOMINATION FORM

This annual award, founded in 2008, is given to an individual ALA member who has demonstrated leadership in promoting African American literature. To further the professional development of the winner so that he or she can continue to build multicultural collections and serve diverse populations, the winner receives funds to attend the ALA Annual Conference, United for Libraries Gala Author Tea, and a set of the Zora Neale Hurston books published by Harper Perennial at the time the award is made.

Candidates will be evaluated based on the quality and contribution of their project. Project examples include, but are not limited to, a program, display, collection building efforts, a special readers' advisory focus, or innovation in service. Candidates will also be evaluated on the extent their projects promoted African American literature and highlighted its rich history and diversity. In addition, the candidate's project should serve as a model for others, must be innovative and/or should advance service in this area. Candidates will also be evaluated based on the quality of their essay and the ideas expressed therein (clarity of content and form, clear goals and benefits of attendance, commitment to ALA and the library profession, enthusiasm, and potential growth perceived). Self-nominations are welcome.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## NOMINEE INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title & Organization (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

## NOMINATOR INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

*Or, I am nominating myself*

Title & Organization (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

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### SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:

Submit the following materials with this form:

- A nomination letter that describes the project
- Photos, booklists, screen captures, or other forms of illustration of the project (required)
- A brief essay—approximately 250 words—explaining how attending the ALA Annual Conference will help further the nominee's efforts to support and promote African American literature.

### DEADLINE:

Submissions must be received by December 14, 2014.

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