

ILLINOIS LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Youth Services Forum

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What is the YS Forum?

We are YOU!

The ILA Youth Services Forum is a Forum of the Illinois Library Association that seeks to offer programming, information and networking opportunities for library staff who work with youth. If you are an ILA member, and have an interest in Youth Services, then you are a member of the Forum.

How can you be involved?

Do you have a great program that has taken off at your library? Are you interested in sharing your knowledge and ideas in order to help others?

We invite all Forum members to submit program proposals for **the ILA Annual Conference** or for **the Illinois Youth Services Institute**.

Forum members are encouraged to nominate individuals for two annual **Youth Services Awards**, or serve on the committee that chooses the recipients for these awards.

ILA Youth Services Awards

The Davis Award

This award was established by the Children's Librarians Section of the ILA in 1971 to honor Marion Davis. This annual award is presented to a person who has made an outstanding contribution in library service to young people.

Since its inception, the Davis Award has gone to individuals who exemplify resourcefulness, professionalism, and caring in their service to young people.

The Golden Ticket

This annual award is presented to an individual who has made an outstanding local contribution in library services to young people in his/her community by creating and implementing library programs that promote a love of literature and instill positive feelings about libraries.

For more information about ILA Awards, go to <http://www.ila.org/about-ila/ila-awards>

Questions? Contact one of our Board managers, or find us on Facebook.



Join the Forum's Facebook Group!

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What is the Forum Board?

The Board is made up of youth managers, librarians and support staff who have chosen to take the extra step of being involved and leading the YS Forum.

The Youth Forum Board plans programs and events for the **ILA Annual Conference** and the **Illinois Youth Services Institute (IYSI)**. Each year, Board members generate proposals for conference sessions that will best meet the needs of Illinois Youth Services staff.

The Board meets approximately four times a year, currently being held via Zoom. Members can attend virtually with minimal equipment.

Board members brainstorm, plan and/or present sessions at ILA or IYSI.

After participating for one year, members may take on more responsibilities, such as:

- Awards Committee
- Marketing/Social Media Committee
- Author Breakfast Co-chairs
- Secretary + chair for Stories and Spirits
- Co-manager positions

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