

OLA Intellectual Freedom Champion of the Year Award

The Intellectual Freedom Committee of the Oregon Library Association offers the OLA Intellectual Freedom Champion of the Year Award (Award) in recognition of the contribution made by an individual or institution that has actively promoted or defended intellectual freedom in Oregon. The Oregon Library Association Intellectual Freedom Committee administers the Award and presents it at the Annual Awards Banquet.

Criteria for choosing a recipient of the Award:

- Nominations will be solicited and accepted from the OLA Lobbyist and OLA members using the OLA Intellectual Freedom Committee's website, OLA Hotline Newsletter and LIBS-OR mailing list.
- Nominees may be an individual, a group of individuals, or an organization.
- Self nominations and anonymous nominations will be accepted; nominations will remain confidential.
- Nominations may be made for activities ongoing or completed in the previous five years.
- Nominations should be based on activities of the nominee that furthered the cause of intellectual freedom in Oregon.
- Nominees who have won the Award during the five previous years are ineligible.
- Current voting members of the OLA Intellectual Freedom Committee are ineligible.
- Nominees do not have to be OLA members.
- Each nomination will be submitted before the deadline and documented with a narrative statement and any news releases, supporting letters, published articles and other documentation that supports the nomination.
- The Award will not necessarily be awarded every year.