

NHLTA

2018
Annual
Awards

Honoring Those Special Contributors Who Connect the Library with the Community

Each year NHLTA recognizes individuals and groups who have contributed to the excellence of New Hampshire public libraries in an extraordinary manner. Any library trustee board may nominate an individual or group or re-nominate an individual or group who has not received a prior award.

Nomination Instructions

Please consider the criteria carefully and submit a nomination detailing how the person or group meets the criteria. Nominations must be submitted via email and include the following information:

- ◆ Name and position of the individual or name of the group nominated
- ◆ Name and address of the library
- ◆ Name, phone, email and mailing address of the contact person (member of the trustee board)
- ◆ List of the current board members
- ◆ Narrative supporting the nomination
- ◆ Additional supporting material may be scanned and submitted with the nomination.

All nominations must be supported unanimously by the board of trustees, and a statement certifying that the nomination has that full support must be included in the submission. In the case of the Trustee of the Year award, all trustees with the exception of the trustee being nominated must support the award.

NHLTA will select winners by September 5, 2018 and will notify all those who submit a nomination of the decisions. Presentations will take place at a site and time agreed upon by the library trustees and NHLTA.

Submission deadline is July 31, 2018.

Email nominations to:
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Awards Criteria

All Nominees

- ◆ Must be presently connected with New Hampshire public library service.
- ◆ Must be an active advocate for promoting the public library as the community's most important resource.
- ◆ Must be endorsed by the full Board of Trustees of the library making the nomination, except in the case of the Lillian Edelman Trustee of the Year.

Library of the Year

- ◆ Has demonstrated expansion and improvement of services and technology.
- ◆ Has enhanced services to a previously under-served part of the community.
- ◆ Has developed partnerships with other libraries and/or community organizations.
- ◆ Has proven value to the community measured by relationships with and support from town officials and members of the community.
- ◆ Maintains membership in NHLTA.

Lillian Edelman Trustee of the Year

- ◆ Has served a minimum of three years on the board.
- ◆ Embodies the characteristics of a library trustee as outlined in the NHLTA manual.
- ◆ Maintains membership in NHLTA.

Library Director of the Year

- ◆ Exhibits professionalism, leadership and outstanding performance and has made notable contributions toward fulfilling the mission and goals of the library.
- ◆ Has been a library director for at least three years.
- ◆ Demonstrates initiative in developing programs and services to meet community needs and enhance the quality of life.
- ◆ Demonstrates effective management and development skills with staff and volunteers.

Special Library Service Contribution Award

- ◆ Presented to an individual or group, other than staff or board members, who have given outstanding service to New Hampshire public libraries for at least three years. This contribution may have been in such areas as fund raising, volunteering services, organizing programs or spearheading a building expansion.

Sue Palmatier Award for Outstanding Support By a "Friends Of The Library" Group

- ◆ This award is being offered to recognize the tremendous value of Friends of the Library.

Dorothy M. Little Award

- ◆ Has demonstrated sustained, extraordinary public library advocacy and activism on a local, regional and state level. May be involved in library service in any capacity.

