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Due to the closure of the LE@D program at the University of North

Nominations Sought for Indiana Authors Award

Is there an emerging, regional or Indiana Authors Award national author whose work you



feel is deserving of recognition? If so, The Indianapolis Public Library

Foundation is seeking your nominations for the fourth-annual Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana Authors Award through Friday, March 23, 2012. Anyone submitting a nomination before March 1 will be entered to win two tickets to the Award Dinner and an overnight hotel stay, along with some other cool incentives.

Any living published writer who was born in Indiana or has lived in Indiana for at least five years is eligible for nomination. A statewide panel will select a national, regional, and emerging author from nominations sent in by the public. Winning authors will each receive a cash prize ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000 and will be able to designate their hometown Indiana public library as the recipient of an additional \$2,500 grant. This award seeks to recognize the contributions of Indiana authors to the literary landscape in Indiana and across the nation, and is funded by The Glick Fund, a fund of Central Indiana Community Foundation.

On September 29, 2012, the Library Foundation will honor the winning authors at an Awards Dinner at the Central Library in downtown Indianapolis. More information about this event, the nomination process, and other program activities and resources is available at indianaauthorsaward.org.

Best Books of Indiana Entries Due April 6, 2012

The Indiana Center for the Book will be accepting entries for the Best Books of Indiana Contest through April 6, 2012, Unlike the Authors Award, which honors a writer's body of work, the Best Books competition recognizes the top books written in the previous year by a Hoosier author or about Indiana.

2012 LSTA Grant Applications Due Friday

LSTA Supports Indiana Libraries

This week is your last opportunity to submit applications for 2012 LSTA Technology and Digitization sub-grants . The 2012 grants are due on Friday, February 10 and include the following opportunities for Indiana libraries and historical

organizations:

<u>Technology Grants</u>

Technology Grants help Indiana libraries provide their users with the new and improved technology necessary to meet their residents' ever-changing needs for library services and access to information.

Digitization Grants

The theme for the 2012 Digitization Grant Program is The Indiana Bicentennial. While adherence to the theme is not required, projects incorporating this theme are encouraged.

Ongoing Grant Opportunities

Ongoing grants have rolling deadlines and are not due Feb. 10. This includes Innovative Library Technology Grants and Information Access for the Unserved Grants.

LEU Opportunity Days

Register today for one of six LEU Opportunity Days at a location near you. While the LEUs are for certified public librarians, the workshops are available to all librarians and school library educators statewide.

When: February 15 @ 9:30 AM

Where: Jasper-Dubois County Public

Library, Ferdinand Branch

When: February 21 @ 9:30 AM Where: Vigo Co. Public Library

When: February 28 @ 10:00AM Where: Batesville Memorial PL

When: March 14 @ 10:00 AM Where: Kendallville PL

When: March 21 @ 10:00 AM Where: Jasper Co. PL- Wheatfield

When: March 29 @ 10:00 AM Where: Tippecanoe Co. PL

AISLE RISE Evaluation Rubric

The Association of School Library Educators recently developed the **Indiana School Librarian Evaluation** Rubric based on the RISE evaluation form. Visit ilfonline.org/units/aisle/ for more recent news from AISLE.

Upcoming Workshops, **Events & Important Dates**

Deadline for LSTA Grant Applications

When: February 10 @ 11:59 PM

Every Child Ready to Read 2nd Edition Workshop

When: February 16 @ 9:00 AM (CST) Where: Lake County Public Library

Advanced Cataloging for Evergreen Indiana

When: February 16 @ 9:00 AM Where: Hartford City Public Library

Evergreen Indiana Overview

When: February 23 @ 10:00 AM Where: Live Webinar

Indianapolis Youth Literature Conference

When: February 25

Where: Central Library of The Indianapolis

Public Library

Discovery to Delivery III: Resource Sharing Core Service

When: March 9 @ 9:00 AM Where: Ball State University

Texas, the LE@D courses on WebJunction are only available for enrollment through February 29, 2012. WebJunction members will then have access to all their UNT LE@D courses for 12 months from the date of enrollment. Immediately after enrolling, launch the course from your My Courses page and follow the instructions to request a special University of North Texas login unique to your enrollment. When you receive the email with your login, please use it at least once before February 29 to ensure your access is verified.

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If you have questions about your eligibility, a grant application requirement, or anything else concerning 2012 LSTA grant opportunities, please don't hesitate to contact Jennifer Clifton, LSTA Grant Consultant, at jclifton@library.in.gov or (317) 234-6550. Visit the LSTA homepage to learn more about LSTA grants and how they support Indiana libraries.

Register Today for Indy Youth Literature Conference

This year's Indianapolis Youth Literature Conference is for

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anyone interested in children's and young adult literature. This unique event will feature three keynote presenters, including: Nick Bruel, author of a number of books,

including his *Bad Kitty* series; Phillip Hoose, nonfiction author for youth (*Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice*); and Shannon Hale, author of fantasy staples, including *The Goose Girl* and *Princess Academy*. Several more concurrent sessions by other notable presented are also scheduled throughout the day. The award-winning and bestselling authors and illustrators appearing at the conference will also conduct a free public book-signing event in the Atrium at Central Library from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM.

The day-long conference will be held at the Central Library of The Indianapolis Public Library on February 25, 2012. Conference registration is \$85.00, which includes parking. The deadline for registration is *February 10, 2012*. Most of the workshops are worth LEUs and PGPs. Co-sponsors of the conference are the Indiana State Library, Indiana University SLIS - Indianapolis, the Indianapolis Public Library, and Kids Ink.

9th Annual Copyright Conference

When: April 18 - All Day Where: Ball State University

Evergreen International Conference

When: April 25-28 Where: Indianapolis

View free LEU opportunities from:





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