



Minister's Awards of Excellence and Innovation

Minister Doug Griffiths

Congratulations to the winners of the 2013 Minister's Awards for Excellence and Innovation in Public Library Service:

City of St. Albert Library Board – Excellence in a Larger Library. St. Albert Readers Festival – STARFest, a two-week reader's festival showcasing fiction and non-fiction writers.

Sheep River Library Board – Excellence in a Smaller Library. OUT LOUD program which engaged youth and the community in a series of sessions that included writing workshops, an authors expo, film-making workshops and more.

Chinook Arch Regional Library Board and the Kainai Literacy Committee – Innovation in a Larger Library. Jointly: opening of the first public library on a First Nations Reserve in Alberta, located in Standoff, including programs on family literacy and preserving the Blackfoot Culture.

Lac La Biche County Library Board – Innovation in a Smaller Library. Make Career Choices: Job and Career Development program at the Stuart MacPherson Public Library in collaboration with six community partners.

Keynote: Yvonne Camus

Yvonne Camus is one of North America's most trusted speakers on teamwork and performance. On stage, to rapt attention, she has shown hundreds of organizations how ordinary people, like her, can achieve extraordinary things. Deeply relatable, Camus interweaves her personal experiences—a business executive, a mother of three—into revelatory keynotes on human performance.

Library Association of Alberta

LAA is pleased to announce the 2013-2014 Board of Directors:

- **Lisa Hardy**, President
- **Diane Clark**, Past President
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- **Katherine Koch**, Director
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We thank outgoing Board members Julia Reinhart and Brian Jackson for their efforts on behalf of our members, and welcome Jackie Flowers, Katherine Koch and Richard Thornley to the Board. Karen Hildebrandt is moving from Director to 1st Vice President. It's going to be a great year!



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Registration Desk Hours

Today:

8:00 AM to 8:30 AM

10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Find *Info to Go* online:
www.albertalibraryconference.com

LAA Awards

LAA is pleased to announce the 2013 awards presented yesterday during the AGM.

Mary Weasel Fat received the **LAA President's Award** for spearheading the Kanai Public Library initiative and her work in bringing the Red Crow College Library into the mainstream of library service in Alberta. The first public library on a First Nations Reserve in Alberta, the Kainai Public Library opened in February of 2013.

Dean Frey received the **Punch Jackson Award of Excellence** in Library Service. Dean has been

active at the local, provincial and national/international levels in the delivery of excellent library service through innovative use of technology, developing partnerships with the community and working with librarians across Alberta to deliver excellent service to all.

Each year, LAA awards students from GMU, SAIT and SLIS. We ask the schools to choose the recipients on the basis of outstanding performance as a student, academic merit and potential contribution to the library profession. The four **Student Award** recipients are: **Lorraine Butchart** MacEwan, **Allison DaSilva** SLIS, **Meghan**

Hackett SLIS, and **Heather Ibbitson** SAIT.

Congratulations to all of our award winners. We are very proud to recognize the achievements of our colleagues. In addition to these awards, LAA annually awards \$3,500 in continuing education grants, over \$8,000 in subsidies to assist attendance at ALC by our member libraries serving less than 10,000 population, a \$1,500 scholarship and the opportunity to attend Education Institute seminars. In total, LAA devotes close to \$20,000 to assist our members with literacy, education and personal development.

Social Events

Saturday, April 27th

Todd Babiak

Saturday Night Author

In late March, 2012, **Todd Babiak** started researching the Edmonton Public Library. He thought he had a year to craft a book about the library celebrating its centennial. In fact, he had a little less than four months then his editor called to ask for a rewrite of his upcoming novel. Todd gave up on sleeping and dove into the stories of the Edmonton Public Library, learning more than he could have imagined.

Todd Babiak has published four novels, three of them bestsellers. They have been nominated for the Scotiabank Giller Prize, the Rogers Writers Trust Award and

the Stephen Leacock Medal for Humour. *The Garneau Block* was awarded the City of Edmonton book prize and *Toby: A Man* won the Georges Bugnet Award. His next novel, published later this year, is called *The South of France*.

6:45 AM Morning Yoga
(pre-registration required.) *Spike*.

6:00 PM Closing Dinner and Social: Celebrating Edmonton Public Library's Centennial. Beauvert.

Celebrate the EPL Centennial at our Closing Banquet. Please dress in black and/or white accessorized with one of the colours from the EPL logo. Join us for an evening of fine food, fellowship and the chance to win a gift certificate from the Jasper Park Lodge.

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Collaborative Art Project Presentation

Representing the strength, vitality and diversity of Alberta's library community. The presentation to the Slave Lake Public Library will take place at tonight's Closing Banquet. You can watch the project come together in the Great Hall today after this morning's keynote.

8:00 PM Wine Tasting. Sold Out. Spike

9:00 PM Dance! Ballroom

Come out to have some fun socializing and sharing with all the great people in our Alberta library community. New this year: Have your picture taken in the Photo Booth!

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Honouring Ernie Ingles

The University of Alberta Libraries is honouring outgoing Vice-Provost, and Director, School of Library and Information Studies, Ernie Ingles. Ernie served as Chief Librarian at the University of Alberta for over 20 years and has played a major role in many Alberta library initiatives over the last two decades. There will be a short program during today's lunch recognizing Ernie's achievements.

QR Code Scavenger Hunt

You still have time! Drop your entry to win a **Blu-ray player from CVS MidWest Tape** in the contest box at the Registration Desk by 3:00 PM on Saturday, April 27th. The winner will be announced at Saturday night's banquet. Good luck, and happy hunting!

Attendance at Saturday's dinner is not required to win.

QR Code Scavenger Hunt Answers:

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Name: _____

Contact (email/phone): _____

Skill testing question: $2 \times 2 + 1 =$ _____

*Deposit completed form in the contest box
at the registration desk.*

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Alberta Library Trustees Association

Winners

Award of Excellence:

Westlock
Intermunicipal
Library Board

Honourary Lifetime Award:

Raymond
Campeau, MD of
Bonnyville
Library Board

Lois Hole Award:

Bjorn Berg,
Pincher Creek
Library Board

Sunday Brunch

Brunch will be served in the Beauvert dining room from 7:30 AM to 11:00 AM. If you would like to hit the road early, to-go boxes can be made available to take breakfast on the road with you.

Young Reader's Choice Awards

Are you passionate about children's literature? The PNLA is seeking a new Young Reader's Choice Award representative for Alberta. Interested? Contact Jocie: yrca_ab@yahoo.ca

