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**Intellectual Freedom State Program Award recipient named**

The Oregon Library Association Intellectual Freedom Committee is the 1993 recipient of the American Library Association (ALA) Intellectual Freedom Round Table (IFRT) State Program Award.

The award, \$1,000 and a citation donated by Social Issues Resources Series, Inc. (SIRS), is presented to a state library or state educational media association intellectual freedom committee, or state intellectual freedom coalition for the most successful and creative project or program during the calendar year.

"The award committee unanimously selected the Oregon Library Association Intellectual Freedom Committee as this year's award winner for its successful public information campaign against Oregon Measure 9 which, if adopted, would have banned books on the topic of homosexuality and institutionalized and legitimized discrimination against gays," said Susan Beck, chair of the IFRT State Program Award Committee.

"The Oregon Library Association Intellectual Freedom Committee galvanized support for intellectual freedom, intervened with extraordinary effectiveness in an intellectual freedom crisis in Oregon and created an effective model program which could be adopted by others setting a new standards of excellence for response to future threats to intellectual freedom and the free access to ideas and information from all points of view."

The award will be presented on Saturday, June 26, during the ALA Annual Conference in New Orleans.

