

YALSA Offers \$195,000+ in Awards & Grants

YALSA is pleased to offer the following grants and awards to library staff who serve young adults and who are current YALSA members. Applications are available at www.ala.org/yalsa (click on "Member Awards & Grants")

YALSA Conference Grants: This grant is funded by the Baker & Taylor Company. Two grants of \$1,000 each are awarded to members who work directly with young adults in either a public or school library to enable them to attend the Annual Conference for the first time.

Dorothy Broderick Student Scholarship of \$1,000 is awarded to a graduate student attending the Annual Conference for the first time and is funded by YALSA's Leadership Endowment.

Board Fellow Program Each year YALSA will sponsor one Fellow to attend conferences and work on the board to gain leadership skills and learn about association governance. The Fellow will receive a \$500 stipend for each of three conferences to help defray travel, registration, and hotel costs.

BWI/YALSA Collection Development Grant: This grant is funded by BWI and awards \$1,000 for collection development to two YALSA members who represent a public library and who works directly with young adults ages 12 to 18.

Frances Henne/YALSA/VOYA Research Grant: This grant of \$1,000 is to provide seed money to YALSA members for small-scale research projects that address an area related to teens and libraries. Grantees are expected to disseminate results by publishing them in YALSA's journal, *Young Adult Library Services.*

Great Books Giveaway Competition: Each year the YALSA office receives over 1,500 newly published children's, young adult and adult books, videos, CDs and audiocassettes for review. YALSA and the cooperating publishers are offering these review materials as a contribution to 3 organizations in need. The estimated value of this collection is more than \$25,000.

Margaret Edwards Trust: Submit your idea for a text-based literacies program or service that you want to offer the teens in your community. This grant, funded by the Margaret Edwards Trust, awards \$5,000 for a library to use towards improving or expanding the services and programs it provides to help teens master text-based literacies. Funds may be used to provide new or support on-going successful programs. All personal YALSA members who represent a public library or school library are eligible to apply. Up to five grants will be awarded. Applications are due November 1.

The MAE Award for a Young Adult Reading or Literature Program: The MAE Award is designed to honor a member of YALSA who has developed an outstanding reading or literature program for young adults. The award provides a grant of \$1,000, \$500 of which is for the library and \$500 of which goes to the librarian. The award is made possible through the Margaret Alexander Edwards Trust.

Midwinter Paper Presentation: YALSA's Past Presidents will sponsor a paper presentation at Midwinter Meeting each year on trends impacting young adult services. The selected presenter will receive up to \$1,500 to defray registration and travel costs. Applications are due June 1.

National Library Legislative Day Stipend: YALSA's YA Advocacy Travel Stipend will enable five qualified recipients to receive up to \$1,000 to attend ALA's National Library Legislative Day,

Spectrum Scholarship: Each year, YALSA sponsors one Spectrum Scholar. Established in 1997, the Spectrum Scholarship Program is ALA's national diversity and recruitment effort designed to address the specific issue of under-representation of critically needed ethnic librarians within the profession while serving as a model for ways to bring attention to larger diversity issues in the future. YALSA sponsors a Spectrum Scholar with an interest in serving youth ages 12-18 in a library setting.

Teen Read Week™ Grant: Through generous support from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation, YALSA will grant 10 libraries \$1,000 each to support Teen Read Week activities. This grant is offered once a year and is dependent on funding. Applications for this grant generally open in March/April.

Emerging Leaders: The Emerging Leaders program enables newer librarians from across the country to participate in problem-solving work groups; network with peers; gain an inside look into ALA structure, and have an opportunity to serve the profession in a leadership capacity.

YALSA Presidential Citation highlights excellence among members of YALSA as well as library supporters who have provided outstanding service to the association or the profession of young adult librarianship. The citation may be given to an individual or group at any time.

YA Services Symposium Stipend: YALSA holds the Young Adult Services Symposium and provides up to two stipends for attendance. Both stipends offer up to \$1,000 in funds for travel and registration.

YALSA Volunteer of the Year Awards acknowledge the contributions of YALSA members who have demonstrated outstanding service to the mission, goals and work of YALSA during a given service year. The recognition includes a one year membership to YALSA and a commemorative certificate for each category's winner(s).

YALSA Writing Award honors the best writing in YALSA's blogs and journals. The winners for the journals will receive \$500 and the winners for the blog posts will receive \$200.

Most applications must be submitted online by December 1 of each year

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