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Nine libraries, ranging in size from a small branch serving a community of oyster fisherman and tobacco farmers to a 3-1/2 million volume university facility, have been named winners in the 1972 Library Buildings Award Program sponsored jointly by the American Institute of Architects, the National Book Committee, and the American Library Association.

From the 204 entries submitted in the program, a jury of two architects, an architectural student, a representative of the National Book Committee, and three librarians, selected two libraries for First Honor Awards and seven libraries for Awards of Merit.

The First Honor Award winners are the Providence College Library, Providence, Rhode Island, and the Ohio Historical Center Library-Archives, Columbus, Ohio. The architects of the Providence College Library are Sasaki, Dawson, DeMay Associates, Inc., Watertown, Massachusetts. The architects of the Ohio Historical Center Library-Archives are Ireland/Associates, Inc., Columbus, Ohio.

Winners of Awards of Merit are: Tate Library, Fieldston School, Riverdale, New York (Murphy & Mackey/Architects, St. Louis); Bailey Library, Hendrix College, Conway, Arkansas (Philip C. Johnson, New York City, and Wittenberg, Delony & Davidson, Inc., Little Rock, Arkansas); Loomis Library, Loomis Institute, Windsor, Connecticut (Sasaki, Dawson, DeMay Associates, Inc., Watertown, Massachusetts); Joseph Regenstein Library, University of Chicago (Skidmore, Owings and Merrill, Chicago); Richardson Public Library, Richardson, Texas (Jarvis, Putty, Jarvis, Inc., Dallas); South County Library, Deale,

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Maryland (RTKL, Inc., Baltimore); and Corte Madera Branch Library, Marin County Library, Corte Madera, California (Smith, Barker, Hanssen, Architects, San Francisco).

The smallest of the winners is the South County Library in Deale, Maryland, a 6,300 square footage structure with approximately 20,000 volumes and a seating capacity of 70. The largest is the Joseph Regenstein Library at the University of Chicago. It accomodates some 3,000 readers and contains nearly 600,000 square feet. The Bailey Library, Hendrix College, Conway, Arkansas is entirely underground, thereby preserving the open space in the existing quadrangle of the campus.

Presentations of certificates of award will be made to architects of these libraries during National Library Week, April 16 - 22, 1972, and to librarians during the Annual Conference of the American Library Association in Chicago, June 25 - July 1, 1972.

Photographic exhibits of all the winning libraries will be displayed at the Regenstein Library, University of Chicago, during National Library Week, April 16 - 22. The exhibits will also be displayed at the American Institute of Architects Conference in Houston, May 6 - 10, and at the American Library Association Conference in Chicago, June 25 - July 1. Pictures of the winning libraries are included in the May 1972 issue of American Libraries.

Library building folders with pictures, floor plan sketches, and explanatory materials of the winning libraries (and of several other libraries which were entered in the 1972 program) have been added to the ALA Library Administration Division's buildings collection, available on interlibrary loan from the ALA Headquarters Library, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

Jurors for the sixth biennial awards program were: Alva L. Hill, Jr., Burt Hill and Associates, Butler, Pennsylvania, chairman; Leo Kornblath, Kornblath Associates, New York, New York; H. H. Smallridge, Boston, Massachusetts; Foster E. Mohrhardt, Council on

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Library Resources, Washington, D. C.; Cora Paul Bomar, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, North Carolina; Donald O. Rod, University of Northern Iowa Library, Cedar Falls, Iowa; and Robert H. Rohlf, Hennepin County Library, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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Other award winners are: Yale Library, New Haven, Connecticut, designed by Skidmore, Peckinpaugh, Kelly, McElroy, Inc.; Harvard College, Cambridge, Massachusetts, designed by Skidmore, Peckinpaugh, Kelly, McElroy, Inc.; University of Chicago (Division of Physical Sciences and Engineering) Library, Chicago, Illinois, designed by Skidmore, Peckinpaugh, Kelly, McElroy, Inc.; and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Library, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, designed by Skidmore, Peckinpaugh, Kelly, McElroy, Inc.