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## Press Release

**The Illinois Library Association's Youth Services Forum is presenting this year's Davis Cup Award to Amber Creger, Youth Department Director, at the Schaumburg Township District Library. This annual award, honoring Marion Davis, recognizes an individual who has made an outstanding contribution in library services to youth. This award is proudly sponsored by ABDO Publishing Company.**

Amber Creger currently is responsible for the development and delivery of services for youth, children through teen, at the three locations of the Schaumburg Township District Library. Amber has developed and executed developmentally appropriate and innovative programs and services for libraries' youth patrons throughout her extensive career. Some of her recent accomplishments include transitioning summer reading programs to experiential learning experiences and overhauling a volunteer program with local partnerships to provide teens with meaningful leadership development opportunities. Amber also identified the connection between libraries with museums as interactive play spaces to meet developmental needs and to give the community museum-quality exhibit experiences.

Amber has always been a shining example through her dedication to serving youth, her desire to develop the next generation of librarians, and willingness to consistently volunteer her time and talents to the profession. She has served on many committees locally, regionally, and nationally. Amber's most recent endeavors include ALA Council, and developing both the Youth Services Unconference and the Illinois Youth Services Institute in conjunction with ILA. In addition, she also teaches as an adjunct professor at Dominican University's School of Information Services.

As stated in her letter of nomination: "Her limitless passion and creativity, and her ability to make the smallest resources translate into big rewards are beyond compare. Beyond all of her many accomplishments, which are legion, Amber brings her indomitable spirit, kindness, and can-do spirit to everything she does. There is no one like Amber, but the world would be a much better place if there were."

The Davis Cup Award will be presented at the Awards Luncheon held on Tuesday, October 10, during the 2017 Illinois Library Association Annual Conference in Tinley Park. Amber will also be recognized during the Youth Services Forum's Author Breakfast held during the Conference.

For further information, contact the Illinois Library Association.

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