ILA Forum and Committee Reports
This form is to be completed by committee chairs/forum managers in collaboration with board liaisons. The ILA Executive Board will have meetings on the following dates in 2021-22: 9/23/21, 11/18/21, 1/13/22 (mid-year “mini meeting;” no report necessary unless you are requesting board action), 3/17/22, 5/19/22. Reports should be submitted two weeks before each board meeting to the board liaison and the ILA office, 33 W. Grand Ave., Ste. 401, Chicago, IL 60654-6799; fax: 312-644-1899; email: ila@ila.org.

Forum or Committee: Young Adult Services Form
Report completed by: Kylie Peters Date: 5/5/22

Activities underway or completed since the last report:
The 2022 Tournament of Books is almost finished. We’ve posted 30 reviews by library staff and students throughout Illinois, and come down to two choices: White Smoke by Tiffany Jackson or She Drives Me Crazy by Kelly Quindlen. The public has also been able to vote at each level in the People’s Choice bracket, and that contest is down to Last Night at the Telegraph Club by Malinda Lo vs. Himawari House by Harmony Becker. The final round for both brackets will be chosen by vote. Voting is open until May 12 at 10 a.m.

On May 12, YASF will host a professional development opportunity in which Kelly Jensen discusses book banning efforts in Illinois. Interested parties can get more information and sign up here.

An ILA Annual Conference proposal for a Youth and Young Adult Unconference was submitted, and YASF will co-host.

Projected activities during the upcoming months:
We typically are less active in the summer, since members tend to be very busy at their libraries. The Young Adult Library Professional of the Year Award committee will select a winner. YASF managers will recruit members for two open Board positions and for next year’s Incoming Manager. If our Unconference proposal is accepted, we will work on plans for that.

Questions or concerns that need to be addressed by the ILA Board:
None.