



Illinois Library Association

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 2022-23: 9/22/22, 11/17/22, 1/12/23 (mid-year “mini meeting;” no report necessary unless you are requesting board action), 3/9/23, 5/25/23. Reports should be submitted two weeks before each board meeting to the board liaison, the ILA staff liaison, and emailed to ila@ila.org.

Forum or Committee: Young Adult Services Forum (YASF)

Report completed by: Kylie Peters

Date: 9/11/22

Activities underway or completed since the last report:

Shortly after submitting our last Board Report, we completed our [2022 Tournament of Books](#). The winning title for the reviewer’s bracket was *Himawari House* by Harmony Becker. The winner of the people’s choice bracket was *White Smoke* by Tiffany D. Jackson.

We also hosted the webinar “[What Should I Know About Book Bans in the US and Illinois Right Now](#)” by Kelly Jensen in May.

After many months of work, the [YASF Social Justice Statement](#) was officially adopted on 6/3.

We awarded the Young Adult Library Professional of the Year Award for 2022 to Allison Riggs of the Schaumburg Township District Library.

Our leadership is in the final stages of selecting two new board members (Young Adult Services Professional of the Year Award Board Member and Board Member at Large) and a new Incoming Manager to take office after ILA Annual.

We are working on many exciting things for the ILA Annual Conference next month. YASF will host an Exhibit Hall booth with information, giveaways, and a mini book battle. We will co-host the Youth and Young Adult Services Unconference on Thursday, 10/20, then will have an in-person social gathering and forum meeting that day at lunchtime. Several members will be writing short recaps of YA services-relevant sessions they attended to be posted on our blog.

Projected activities during the upcoming months: We will make final decisions on the new Incoming Manager and board members. We will continue to work on plans and scheduling for the booth, Unconference, and session write-ups at ILA Annual Conference. After conference, we will transition leadership, including seeing Krista Hutley step into the role of Manager. We will then work on creating professional development opportunities for the new year, and will increase work on preparations for the 2023 Tournament of Books.

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