



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

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Activities underway or completed since the last report:

The annual Tournament of Book is almost finished. Library staff and library students in Illinois have posted 30 reviews on our YASF blog and the final winner will be announced at our May meeting on May 11. The final choice is between *The Sunbearer Trials* by Aiden Thomas and *The Getaway* by Lamar Giles. We also have a People’s Choice bracket that runs concurrent with our Reviewer’s Bracket that anyone can vote in, and the choice there has come down to *The Sunbearer Trials* by Aiden Thomas and *All My Rage* by Sabaa Tahir. The final round for both brackets is [chosen by vote](#). In 2021, Aiden Thomas won both the Reviewer and the People’s Choice bracket for *Cemetery Boys*, which has hardly ever happened, so it will be interesting to see if they pull it off again just two years later.

Two ILA Annual Conference proposals were submitted: a joint Youth and Young Adult Unconference, co-hosted with the Youth Services Forum, and a panel + audience discussion program, Dear Teen Librarian.

Nominations for the Young Adult Library Professional of the Year award will close May 15.

Projected activities during the upcoming months:

With the recent change to the YASF bylaws to change our manager term of office to July 1-June 30 instead of November 1-October 31, we are recruiting for a new incoming manager now to start July 1. The current manager, myself, and our incoming manager Andrea Johnson will be co-managers for the remainder of this year. The two-year term for two of our current Board members will be up October 31, so we will recruit for our social media and Tournament of Books positions this year to start in November.

Questions or concerns that need to be addressed by the ILA Board:

None.