

ALA Award Proposal

Name of Award:

The Lemony Snicket Prize for Noble Librarians Faced With Adversity

Definition, Purpose and Criteria:

It is of the opinion of Lemony Snicket, author, reader, and alleged malcontent, that librarians have suffered enough. Therefore he is establishing an annual prize honoring a librarian who has faced adversity with integrity and dignity intact. The prize will be a generous amount of cash from Mr. Snicket's disreputable gains, along with an odd, symbolic object from his private stash, and a certificate, which may or may not be suitable for framing. It is Mr. Snicket's hope, and the ALA's, that the Snicket Prize will remind readers everywhere of the joyous importance of librarians and the trouble that is all too frequently unleashed upon them.

Number and Frequency of Award

One award given annually to a librarian. If a suitable candidate is not found, the award will not be presented that year.

Selection of Jury to Administer the Award:

The award jury will consist of five people: a chair and four jury members. A staff member of the ALA's Office for Intellectual Freedom will act as a non-voting liaison to the award jury. The members of the jury shall consist of ALA members with at least one member from any of the youth divisions (ALSC, AASL, YALSA) and at least one member from IFC or IFRT.

Deadline for Nomination of Candidates:

The deadline for the first year is May 1. Subsequen

