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**Nominate your favorite librarian for the I Love My Librarian Award**

(CITY, STATE) – Has a librarian made a difference in your life or your community? Now is your chance to honor their contributions by nominating them for the American Library Association’s annual l Love My Librarian Award.

The I Love My Librarian Award invites library users across the country to recognize their favorite librarians working in public, school, college, community college or university libraries for transforming lives and improving communities. Nominations are being [accepted online](https://ilovelibraries.org/love-my-librarian/) now through Sept. 30, 2023.

Every day, librarians across the country go above and beyond to serve their communities by offering extensive virtual and in-person programs and services, defending the freedom to read and providing safe and inclusive spaces for library users of all backgrounds, and connecting people in need with essential public services. Submitting an I Love My Librarian Award nomination is a way to thank your librarian for their creativity and service.

Ten librarians will be selected to receive $5,000 in recognition of their outstanding contributions to their community. Honorees will be celebrated at an award ceremony during the American Library Association’s LibLearnX Conference in January 2024.

To be eligible, each nominee must hold a master’s degree in library and information studies from a program accredited by the American Library Association or a master’s degree with a specialty in school library media from an educational unit accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation. Nominees must also currently work in a public library, a library at an accredited two- or four-year college or university or a library at an accredited K-12 school in the United States, or have been working at one of these institutions as of March 1, 2023.

For more information, including tips for writing a standout nomination, visit <https://www.ilovelibraries.org/lovemylibrarian>.

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