



Special Libraries Association- Asian Chapter

“JSLA-SLA Asian Early Career Award 2017”

Sponsored by JSLA & Asian Chapter, SLA



The award will be presented to a library and Information Science (LIS) Professional working in Asia. The purpose of the award is to provide an opportunity for an Asian professional to attend the annual Special Libraries Association (SLA) conference.

The award will cover conference registration, lodging and airfare, up to and not exceeding US \$1,500. The SLA annual conference will be held in Phoenix, USA, during 16-20 June, 2017.

1. ELIGIBILITY / CRITERIA

Candidates must:

- Should reside or study or work in Asia
- Be working currently as a Student or Librarian or Information Professional. This includes those working in a library or information center, library school and related work places.
- Inform the Committee, if they are currently applying for other SLA awards including other Asian Chapter awards.
- Should be the first-timer of SLA Annual Conference.
- All submission must be in English.
- Chapter Executive Board & Award Committee members, Past Awardees of SLA Asian Chapter and JSLA (Japan SLA, SENTOKYO) are **not eligible** for the award.
- Candidates whose applications do not address the award guidelines **will not** be considered.
- Candidates must be a **current member of JSLA or SLA Asian Chapter.**
- **Have worked in the field for 10 years or less in the LIS field.**

2. NOMINATIONS

- Self-nominations are encouraged.
- Send an online statement including information on your academic and professional career, professional activities or offices held, special projects or services, publications, and any other related roles that demonstrate a commitment to the LIS profession.
- Documentation must include the latest curriculum vitae or resume of the candidate, as well as one or more supporting letters. Additional documents including publications or other evidence of professional capabilities are encouraged.

3. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- Write an essay (not more than 500 words) on “**Future of Information Professionals in your country and internationally and suggestions to strengthen it**”.
- Include a current resume and relevant materials as outlined above for the award along with a recommendation.
- All applications for the award must be received **not later than 28 Feb 2017**.
- Submit essay and all materials to the Chair of SLA Asian Chapter awards committee at asianchapter@gmail.com

4. NOTIFICATION

- Applicants will receive notification of award status **by 31 Mar 2017**.
- The winner will be responsible for making all necessary travel arrangements (passports, visas, airplane ticket, lodging, etc.) for a visit to the U.S. as well as for conference attendance.
- The award check and certificate will be presented to the recipient at the Asian Chapter Business Meeting during the SLA Annual Conference.
- The recipient's name & the essay will be issued in the JSLA Journal “SENMON TOSHOKAN”, and posted on the JSLA website and the Asian Chapter website.

5. POST-AWARD REQUIREMENTS

The recipient will write a brief article (approximately 1,000 words together with some photos) on the conference experience for JSLA Journal “SENMON TOSHOKAN” and the 2017 Asian Chapter News newsletter.

Recipient will be asked to serve on the Asian Chapter Committee the following year in order to provide for the continuity and enthusiasm of this award.