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## Nominations Open for the MN Academic Innovators Award

Innovation. Change. Transformation. Breakthrough. Do you know an academic librarian or academic project team whose projects, programs, or services have made recent outstanding contributions that advance the mission of an academic and/or research library through an innovative project, program or service?

If so, nominate him or her today for the **Minnesota Academic Innovators Award!** Nominations can be made online through April 2, 2018.

**About the award:** The Minnesota Academic Innovators Award is sponsored by the MLA Academic & Research Libraries Division (ARLD). The recipient of the award will be recognized and presented with \$300 at ARLD Day 2018 (April 27th at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum). MLA membership is not required for nominators or nominees.

**Award criteria:** Projects, programs, or services should demonstrate creativity, quality, and innovation within the context of an academic institution. Innovation is doing something in a new way. Innovation can be a brand new idea or refining something that's always been done with great results. Innovation will be considered very broadly and is not limited to technology. Previous winners' projects have included embedded librarianship, community outreach, and library assessment.

Questions? Contact Jodi Carlson Grebinoski (jlcarlso@d.umn.edu)

## **ARLD Happy Hour - LibTech Edition, Vol. 3**

Please join ARLD (MLA's Academic and Research Libraries Division) for a happy hour/social gathering during the Library Technology (LibTech: http://libtechconf.org/) Conference. Come mingle with librarians/library staff and students and meet members of the ARLD Board! The happy hour will take place at The Rabbit Hole (http://www.eatdrinkrabbit.com/), conveniently located in the Midtown Global Market, right next to the Sheraton Midtown, one of the conference hotels (so, conference attendees staying at the hotel can easily catch their shuttle back to the hotel at the end of the day and then join us!)

Specials: Select \$3 beer, \$4 shot, \$5 cocktail, and \$6 food special. The items are different each week.

For those not staying at the Sheraton, there is a parking ramp and a metered parking lot on either side (ramp on one side, lot on the other) of the Midtown Global Market. It is also a relatively central location for an affordable cab/Uber/Lyft ride to various Twin Cities Locations, as well as a central transit hub (http://www.metrotransit.org/) - i.e. lots of buses stop there.

This event is not limited to academic librarians, all are welcome to attend. We hope you can join us!

## **ARLD Dialogue**

Join ARLD on Thursday, April 5th on the St. Kate's campus for a lunch discussion on race and librarianship facilitated by Amy Mars and Deb Torres. Free registration will be available soon on the MLA website.

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