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Nominations needed for the Indiana Early Literacy Firefly award!



The Indiana Early Literacy Firefly Award is an initiative of the Indiana Center for the Book. This state award, administered by the Indiana Early Literacy Firefly Committee, highlights picture books for young children. Picture books serve an important role in the first years of the life of a child. The purpose of this award is to encourage parents, caregivers, and very young children



Hello, and welcome to the Government Information Minute.

This bi-weekly column is brought to you by the Government Information Librarians at the [Indiana State Library](#). We cover current resources on Govt Info at local, state, national, and international levels. It's all for you, to keep you updated and well-informed! Suggestions and comments welcome. Check out more Indiana Govt Info updates on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

Indiana Library Jobs



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To see the complete list of current openings listed on the ISL Continuing Education Jobs page click [here](#)

In The News



[All booked up: Board plans relocation of Sugar Creek branch](#)
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[City to consider forcing sale of parcels for new east-side library](#)
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to interact together with exceptional picture books.

Indiana Librarians may nominate picture book for the award from June through October 1 each year. What does that mean? That means that we need your nominations. Have you read a fun picture book in your storytime? Did you run across a winner during your Summer Reading Program? Have a book that makes you laugh every time you read it?

If you work with youth in a library, either in a school or in a public library, you are eligible to nominate as many titles as you wish.

Nominating is easy. Just send an email to Suzanne Walker at suwalker@library.in.gov. Include in your email: Title, Author, Illustrator, and Publication Date, as well as the following justification: In 100 words or less, please tell us why this book is special with an emphasis on how it supports at least three of the ECRR® practices. In layman's terms, does the book make you talk, sing, read, write, or play with the children, ages 0-5, with whom you are sharing the book?

Criteria for nominations are as follows:

- Be in print
- Be published, in its current edition, within the current award cycle year (that means from January 1, 2015 until now).
- Possess strong child appeal
- Support at least three of the Every Child Ready to Read® practices of Talking, Singing, Reading, Writing, or Playing
- Have artistic quality with text that supports the illustrations or a compelling narrative provided by illustrations

Indiana State Agency Databases, Part 3



In this week's column, we'll start out with two Executive Branch agencies and then "branch out" to explore several more database resources maintained by the [Judicial Branch](#) of State government.

Search IndianaUnclaimed.gov, a database maintained by the [Office of the Indiana Attorney General](#), to see if you have assets waiting to be claimed. Searching is simple and free - just enter your name and search to see if you find a match. If your search returns no results, revise your search, and try again. Search all of the names you have ever used, including your maiden name and nicknames, making sure to look up common misspellings of your name. Consider checking for the names of your grandparents, great-grandparents or other relatives who have passed away. To protect individuals listed, any "Total Cash Value" over \$100.00 is not specified, but you can find out the details when you submit your claim.

The [State Archives Division](#) of the Indiana Archives and Records Administration (IARA) has created [online indexes](#) to historical records that the agency protects and maintains. Use the [Indiana Digital Archives](#) site to search across multiple indexes at once. Choose "detailed search" to perform an advanced search of specific indexes to collections of

[Library Reaches Many Audiences](#)

Knox County Public Library

[You Read it Here First: Indiana's first paper published right here in Vincennes; Elihu Stout pioneered the industry](#)

Knox County Public Library

[Hidden Treasures Abound at the Kokomo Howard County Public Library](#)

Kokomo-Howard County Public Library

[Project to detail Kokomo's black history](#)

Kokomo-Howard County Public Library

[Library provides whimsy](#)

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The nomination pool will be narrowed down to 8 titles by the Indiana Early Literacy Firefly Committee by January 9, 2017. Ballots will be released and votes will be accepted until early May. More information on ballots and how to vote will be available in early 2017. The Indiana Early Literacy Firefly Award winning title will be announced on May 22, 2017.

Upcoming Workshops & Important Dates

[INSIRSI User's Group Annual Meeting](#)

When: August 12, 2016, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Where: Library Services Center at the Indianapolis Public Library

[SRCS ILL Basics - Request Manager \(Webinar\)](#)

When: August 15, 2016, 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Where: Webinar

[Evergreen Indiana Basic Circulation](#)

When: August 17, 2016, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Where: Orleans Town & Township Public Library

[Evergreen Indiana Holds Training](#)

When: August 17, 2016, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Where: Orleans Town & Township Public Library

[CYPD Children & Young People's Division Conference](#)

When: August 21 - 22

Where: Indianapolis Marriott East

[INSPIRE for Grades 6-12](#)

When: August 24, 2016, 9:30 - 10:30 am

Where: Webinar

[Indiana IV-D Child Support Program](#)

When: August 26, 2016

Where: Webinar

state hospital records, correctional institution records, military records, naturalization records, and various historical court records. The indexes help provide a point of access to these primary-source and historical documents.

Indiana Supreme Court's [Division of State Court Administration](#) provides access to the [mycase.IN.gov](#) website, a platform for online court services. At no cost, the public can search for selective information about non-confidential cases in [Indiana courts](#) that use the Odyssey case management system. Case numbers, names of parties involved, and/or attorneys are searching options.

Another Judicial Branch resource is the [Appellate Case Search](#), which provides information about cases in the Indiana Supreme Court, the Indiana Court of Appeals, and the Indiana Tax Court. Additionally, the [Indiana Roll of Attorneys](#) is a searchable listing of all attorneys licensed to practice law in Indiana. This online service is provided by the Clerk of the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, and Tax Court to deliver specific attorney information to the public. Each attorney's record includes license status, disciplinary history, contact information, and any other names the attorney has practiced under.

International Resources



[INSPIRE for Grades 6-12](#)

When: August 30, 2016, 3:00 --

4:00 pm

Where: Webinar



The resources we typically share in Government Information Minute focus on the United States and Indiana, but several international resources also exist for a global perspective on people, governments, and the economy worldwide. Please see below:

- [An Aging World: 2015 International Population Reports, U.S. Census Bureau](#)
- [CIA World Factbook](#)
- [Geography and Map Reading Room, Library of Congress](#)
- [Geography Educators' Network of Indiana](#)
- [Global Positioning, 2015: Indiana's Export Activity](#)
- [International Database, U.S. Census Bureau](#)
- [United Nations](#)
- [World Bank](#)

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