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Nominations Sought for Indiana Authors Award

The Indianapolis-Marion County Public  Indiana Authors Award Library Foundation is now accepting nominations for the second-annual Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana Authors Award through March 25, 2011. This award seeks to recognize the contributions of Indiana authors to the literary landscape in Indiana and across the nation, and is funded by The Glick Fund, a fund of Central Indiana Community Foundation.

Any living published writer who was born in Indiana or has lived in Indiana for at least five years is eligible for nomination. A statewide panel will select a national, regional, and emerging author from nominations sent in by the public. Winning authors will each receive a cash prize ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000 and will be able to designate their hometown Indiana public library as the recipient of an additional \$2,500 grant.

On October 29, 2011, the Library Foundation will honor the 2011 winners at an Awards Dinner at the Central Library in downtown Indianapolis. More information about this event, the nomination process, and other program activities and resources is available at www.indianaauthorsaward.org.

Best Books of Indiana Entries Due March 31, 2011

The Indiana Center for the Book will be accepting entries for the **Best Books of Indiana Contest** through March 31, 2011. Unlike the Authors Award, which honors a writer's body of work, the Best Books competition recognizes the top books written in the previous year by a Hoosier author or about

Application Deadline Approaches for LSTA Grants

 **2011 LSTA Grant Opportunities** Applications for LSTA Technology and Digitization grants are due on Friday, February 11. The 2011 LSTA sub-grants for Indiana libraries and historical organizations include:

Technology Grants

Tech Grants help Indiana libraries provide their users with the new and improved technology necessary to meet their residents' ever-changing needs for library services and access to information. Visit the [Technology Grants webpage](#) to learn more.

Digitization Grant

The theme for the **2011 Digitization Grant Program** is "Indiana and the Civil War: The Soldier's Experience." While adherence to the theme is not required, projects incorporating this theme are especially encouraged.

Ongoing Grant Opportunities

Ongoing grants have rolling deadlines and are not due February 11.

Indiana Library Jobs

View job postings from around the state via [Jobs in Indiana Libraries on WebJunction Indiana](#)

State Library Job Opening

The Indiana State Library is looking for an individual to fulfill a dual role coordinating efforts for both the Evergreen Indiana Integrated Library System and INSPIRE – Indiana's Virtual Library. Click [here](#) for job details and application instructions.

UPCOMING EVENTS & WORKSHOPS

ILF Legislative Day

When: February 8
Where: Indiana State Library

Moving Library Cooperation to Web Scale

When: **February 10**, 10:00 AM - 12:15 PM (Live Online)
When: **February 24**, 2:00 PM - 4:15 PM (Live Online)
When: **March 29**, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM (Indiana State Library)

Library Reading Incentive Programs for Summer and Beyond

When: February 15 @ 1:00 PM
Where: Live Online

Programming for Babies

When: February 15 @ 1:00 PM
Where: Lowell Public Library

Library Services for Homeschoolers

[Chess Club draws dedicated players](#)

Shelbyville News

[Read a story, learn history](#)

South Bend Tribune

[St. Joe Co. library: No more cuts, for now](#)

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[19th Science Alive! in South Bend](#)

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[Love of reading shared at Prairie Vista session](#)

Warsaw Times-Union

[Children's Author Day Planned At WCPL](#)

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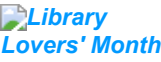
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 **INSPIRE**

This includes Innovative Library Technology Grants and Information Access for the Unserved Grants. Learn more on the open deadline [LSTA grant opportunities](#) webpage.

If you have questions about your eligibility, a grant application requirement, or anything else concerning the 2011 LSTA grant opportunities, please don't hesitate to contact the Library Development Office at Ido@library.in.gov or (317) 232-3697, or visit the [LSTA homepage](#).

February is Library Lovers' Month

Library Lovers' Month is a month-long celebration of  school, public, and private libraries of all types. This is a time for everyone, especially library support groups, to recognize the value of libraries and to work to assure that the Nation's libraries will continue to serve.

Learn ways to host Library Lovers' Month events at your library [online](#) or check out this [letter](#) from Kathy Stutzman of the Warsaw Community Public Library.

When: February 15 @ 1:00 PM

Where: Lowell Public Library

Summer Reading Workshops

When: 9:00 AM - Noon

Where: Multiple Locations

2/17: [Muncie PL](#)

2/23: [Brownsburg PL](#)

2/24: [Bloomfield PL](#)

3/08: [Pulaski County PL](#)

3/09: [Noble County PL](#)

3/11: [Jackson County PL](#)

Teen Tech Week

When: March 6-12

Money Smart Week

When: April 2-9

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