

## **Library of Congress**

### **Report of the Children's and Young Adults' Cataloging (CYAC) Program to SAC**

The Children's and Young Adults' Cataloging Program (CYAC), at the Library of Congress, is responsible for the creation of metadata for the wide range of fiction material available in the United States for children and young adults, which is used by publishers, researchers, school libraries, and public libraries.

Through its activities, it develops and monitors standard policies and practices for providing access to juvenile literature.

#### **Administrative (Staff)**

The CYAC team is currently comprised of three librarians. Stacey Devine (Program Manager), Kim Caulder, and Kristina Doyle. Connie Pierce works part-time with the CYAC program.

Queens Public Library is a CIP partner to the CYAC program.

Trina Soderquist (previously a CYAC librarian) has joined the Policy, Training and Cooperative Program Section.

#### **Notable activities**

During the fall we focused on creating scope notes and hierarchies for the CYAC subject headings.

#### **Cataloging Policy Decisions**

CYAC Editorial Meetings are held monthly on Monday to discuss CYAC heading proposals from the tentative lists. CYAC Team meetings are held weekly on Wednesdays and include discussions of C memos, new policies and procedures, and outreach activities.

We have started to review the headings that were automatically loaded, and the approved subject lists are available at <https://classweb.org/approved-subjects>. We are also reviewing and establishing subject hierarchies--specifically a network of BTs, NTs, and RTs--when necessary, for many of the subject headings.

The CYAC team has continued creating and distributing policy and procedure documents (C memos) for CYAC cataloging. There are currently ten C memos available at: <https://www.loc.gov/aba/publications/FreeCYAC/freecyac.html>.

During 2022 we approved 241 new subject headings, modified 743 subject headings, and cancelled 203 subject headings.

## Current Projects

We are testing CYAC records in BIBFRAME and working with developers to ensure the appropriate subject headings are displayed and labeled correctly.

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