



## Ann Koopman Leadership Travel Award

### Description of the Award

**The Ann Koopman Leadership Travel Award is presented by the SLA Philadelphia Chapter to an emerging leader within the chapter who has already contributed to the success of the Chapter and demonstrates an eagerness for additional leadership roles. The purpose of the award is to recognize those Chapter members who have made outstanding contributions to the Chapter and to foster their further development as an SLA leader by enabling them to attend leadership training events held at the SLA Annual Conference.**

**This award is dedicated to the memory of Ann Koopman who strongly believed in mentoring SLA members in their leadership roles and in building a leadership pipeline within SLA chapters and divisions to strengthen the SLA organization while providing a learning environment for members to develop transferable career skills.**

**Each stipend will consist of up to \$2,000 to cover registration, hotel and travel expenses to attend the SLA Annual Conference. The award winner is responsible to register for the SLA Annual Conference prior to the Early Bird Registration deadline and to arrange for hotel and travel reservations.**

### **DEADLINE to submit application: FEBRUARY 28**

#### QUALIFICATIONS

1. Be a current member of the SLA Philadelphia Chapter in good standing, for at least two (2) years.
2. Has not already served as Chapter President-Elect, President or Past President.
3. Has served on and made a significant contribution to a Chapter Committee, served as Chair or Co-Chair of a Chapter Committee, or made a significant contribution to a special project during the year prior to applying for this award.

#### REQUIREMENTS

1. Meets with the Philadelphia Chapter delegates for orientation prior to the Annual Conference.
2. Must attend all leadership training sessions held at the Annual Conference, including the Chapter and Joint Cabinet Meetings.
3. Attends any other SLA leadership training given as a virtual event or recorded sessions during the year that the individual attends the Annual Conference for which the stipend was awarded.
4. Receipts for registration, hotel and travel are to be submitted for reimbursement using the Chapter Expense form and sent to the Treasurer within 60 days after the Annual Conference.
5. Makes a presentation at the Chapter's Networking Event in September or October following attendance at the SLA Annual Conference about the value derived from attending.
6. Serves as a Chair or Co-Chair of a committee during the year that the individual attends the SLA Annual Conference.
7. Is strongly encouraged to accept a nomination for an elected chapter officer within 3 - 5 years following attendance at the SLA Annual Conference.

## BENEFITS

1. Each stipend will consist of up to \$2,000 to cover registration, hotel and travel expenses to attend the SLA Annual Conference.
2. Is assigned a mentor during the year that they are Chair or Co-chair of a committee to guide their leadership development. Ideally, the mentor has been Chair of that same key committee in the recent past, or is the Director who has responsibility for that key committee.
3. Is assigned a mentor during the year following attendance at the SLA Annual Conference who currently holds or has recently held the officer position that they are interested in seeking. This mentor will guide them in developing the knowledge and leadership skills that are needed for that officer role in the future.



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### Application Form

Please answer the following questions which comprise the application form.

Self-nominations are encouraged.

Student members of SLA Philadelphia Chapter who are enrolled full-time in a library and information science master's degree program are eligible.

\* 1. Nominee's Name and Contact Information

First Name:

Last Name:

Organization:

Address:

City/Town:

State:

ZIP:

Country:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

\* 2. Describe your contributions made to the Philadelphia Chapter over the past 1 to 5 years, especially accomplishments made through a Chapter Committee or special project during the year prior to applying for this award.

\* 3. What is your rationale for applying for this Award? What do you hope to attain by attending leadership training sessions held at the SLA Annual Conference?



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\* 4. For which Committee are you interested in serving as Chair or Co-Chair the year during which you attend the SLA Annual Conference? (You may select more than one.)

- Business Partner Relations
- Career Guidance and Student Relations
- Communications and Content
- Knower Fund
- Membership
- Program
- Web Technology Management

Other (please specify)

\* 5. Describe your interest in each Committee selected.

\* 6. Which elected officer position are you interested in serving as within 3 to 5 years of attending the SLA Annual Conference? (You may select more than one.)

- Director (3-year term)
- President-Elect/President/Past President (3-year commitment)
- Secretary (2-year term)
- Treasurer (2-year term)

\* 7. Describe your interest in serving for those officer positions selected.

If you have additional information which supports your nomination, please send it to the Chapter Awards Chair.



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### Notification

**Nominations will be evaluated and an award winner selected by the Chapter's Ann Koopman Leadership Travel Award Committee, and approved by the Executive Board, no later than March 31st.**

**The Award winner will be notified prior to the Early Bird registration deadline for the SLA Annual Conference.**

**This award is presented annually at the Chapter Awards Event in May, although an announcement is made in March.**

**The Philadelphia Chapter reserves the right to withhold the award if a sufficient number of qualified candidates are not nominated. In that case, the Award funds will be kept in the Chapter's Budget designated for the Ann Koopman Leadership Travel Award for a future year.**

**THANK YOU FOR APPLYING FOR THE ANN KOOPMAN LEADERSHIP TRAVEL AWARD.**