

NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
CALL FOR NLA AWARDS 2025
DEADLINE: SATURDAY, 31ST JANUARY, 2025

Dear All,

Applications/Nominations are invited from qualified members of the Nigerian Library Association (NLA) for the under-listed awards and the Fellowship of the Nigerian Library Association (FNLA) for the year 2025. Awards will be presented at the 2026 National Conference/AGM of the Association (MINNA, 2026). The following Awards are open for contest and nominations:

1. *Fellowship of the Nigerian Library Association (FNLA) Award.*
2. *Award for Young Library & Information Professionals (yLIPs), 2025.*
3. *NLA Merit Award, 2025.*
4. *Eminent Service Award, 2025*
5. *Best State Chapter Award, 2025.*
6. *Best State Public Library Service Award, 2025.*
7. *Best NLA Section Award, 2025.*
8. *Best Library Week Activity Chapter Award, 2025.*
9. *Dr. T.M. Salisu Award for the Most Published Librarian, 2025.*
10. *Dr. Victoria Okojie Award for Advocacy and Promotion of Library & Information Services, 2025.*
11. *Mrs. G. O. Odusanwo Award for the Best Librarian in Government Libraries in Nigeria, 2025.*
12. *Professor Lenrie Olatokumbo Aina Award for the Best Library and Information Science Scholarly Journal Produced in Nigeria, 2025.*

Interested members are to note that:

1. *Qualified members can apply for more than one Award in a year.*
2. *Members are advised to carefully check the criteria for each award before making the application.*

Attached are the respective Application forms for each Award. Application Forms can also be obtained from:

1. *NLA Online Forum*
2. *NLA Secretariat*
3. *State Chapter Chairmen*

Completed Applications/supporting documents should be sent via email to: nlanationalaward@yahoo.com ***and copy*** nlanationalsec@yahoo.com
For further enquiries please call: 08055555787, 08034699787

Thank you.

Dr. A. U. Kalu, CLN
National Secretary (08034699787)



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION FELLOWSHIP OF THE NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION (FNLA) AWARD 2025

The award of the Fellowship of the Nigerian Library Association (FNLA) was instituted in 1989 to honour deserving members of the Association who have distinguished themselves in professional practice. A plaque and a certificate of honour will be presented to the awardee at the 2026 National Conference/AGM of the Association.

Who Can Nominate?

Chairman of the respective State Chapters or Sections of the nominee must make the application using appropriate application form.

Criteria for the Award of FNLA: The nominee

- *Must have at least TEN years post qualification experience in Library and Information Science practice.*
- *Must have contributed immensely to the frontiers of knowledge/practice in the Library and Information profession, either through professional publications or in other ways such as practical Library Services that impact on users and the society. That is, he or she should have made some outstanding innovations in the profession.*
- *The candidate must be seen to be participating actively in the Association's activities at all levels. To have held an ELECTIVE executive position at the State/National level will be an added advantage.*
- *The candidate must be a paid-up member of the Association for 10 consecutive years, having paid the dues as at when due according to the National Treasurers' records. Applications with gaps in payment of membership dues shall NOT be processed further.*
- *Active and supportive members who have been given National/International appointments could be considered for the FNLA award if they are nominated by their Chapter.*
- *Must have high integrity and good character such that she/he will not bring disrepute to the name of the Association.*
- *Should have held important national/international appointments or carried out other important national assignments.*
- *Must not be a sitting member of Council, EXCO or Awards Committee at the time of applying.*
- *The sum of N250,000 to be paid by the successful candidate for plaque, certificate & the Fellows' Lapel badge.*
- *Any information found to be false disqualifies the candidate.*

Award can be withdrawn by the Association as a result of Professional misconduct or behavior unbecoming of a Fellow.

How to Nominate Potential Candidate

- Complete the Application Form.*
- Write a letter justifying why the applicant should be given the award*
- Attach a copy of nominee's detailed cognate curriculum vitae.*
- Attach an Introductory letter from the nominee's State Chapter indicating his/her membership status (including copies of the receipt of payment).*
- Present supporting documentation, where necessary, to substantiate every claim in the application.*

Note: Members can still be nominated again for this Award if they fail to meet the criteria the first time.



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

**FELLOWSHIP OF THE NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION (FNLA) AWARD
2025**

APPLICATION FORM

1. NAME IN CAPITAL LETTERS: (Surname first) _____

2. LIST OF TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS ATTENDED (WITH QUALIFICATIONS & DATE)

3. PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & ELECTIVE POSITIONS HELD AT STATE, NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL LEVELS:

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4. MEMBERSHIP OF NLA (State membership dues paid in the last 10 consecutive years, 2015 - 2024)

5. SCHOLARSHIPS, PRIZES, AWARDS & HONOURS RECEIVED

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6. NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL APPOINTMENTS HELD

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7. OUTSTANDING INNOVATIONS IN THE PROFESSION

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8. COMMUNITY SERVICE

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9. ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT MAY BE USEFUL TO THE COMMITTEE

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10. HAS THE NOMINEE MET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS/CRITERIA?

11. YES: NO

12. SIGNATURE & DATE:



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION AWARD FOR YOUNG LIBRARY & INFORMATION PROFESSIONALS (yLIPs) AWARD 2025

The Nigerian Library Association (NLA) invites all young and qualified members to apply for sponsorship to the 2026 NLA National Conference/Annual General Meeting. The Award recognizes the importance of developing young Library and Information Professionals (yLIPs) in Nigeria.

The annual Award is presented to a promising yLIP who possesses leadership qualities, problem-solving abilities and great potential for the future. The Award includes full sponsorship to the conference (accommodation, transportation, feeding and registration).

Criteria for the Award of yLIPs: The member

- *Must be a financial member of NLA for the last two consecutive years.*
- *Must have acquired a minimum of first degree in Library and Information Science from any recognized tertiary institution.*
- *Must not be more than 30 years of age and not more than five years' post-qualification experience at the time of award.*
- *Must have made some measure of contributions to the profession at the chapter or National Levels*

How to Apply

- *Complete the application form.*
- *Write a justification letter stating all the criteria written above and in addition state:*
 - *Why you should be given the Award*
 - *What you intend to use the experiences gained at the conference.*
 - *How colleagues in your immediate environment will benefit from your participation at the conference.*
- *Submit a copy of your detailed cognate curriculum vitae.*
- *Attach an Introductory Letter from your State Chapter, indicating your membership status.*
- *Present supporting documentation, where necessary, to substantiate your claims*

Note: Members who have won this award before must not apply again.



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION AWARD FOR YOUNG LIBRARY & INFORMATION PROFESSIONALS (yLIPs) AWARD 2025

APPLICATION FORM

1. NAME (SURNAME FIRST):

2. DATE OF BIRTH:

3. LIST OF TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS ATTENDED WITH QUALIFICATIONS & DATE

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4. PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & POSITIONS HELD AT STATE/NATIONAL LEVELS

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5. MEMBERSHIP OF NLA: (State membership dues paid in the last 2 years: 2024 & 2025)

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6. SCHOLARSHIPS, PRIZES, AWARDS & HONOURS RECEIVED

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7. OTHER INFORMATION THAT MAY BE USEFUL TO THE COMMITTEE

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8. HAVE YOU MET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS/CRITERIA? YES----- NO-----

9. SIGNATURE & DATE:

** Please attach your proposal.*



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION MERIT AWARD 2025

The Award was instituted in 1998 to honour organizations outside the profession adjudged to have rendered meritorious service to the Library and Information profession. A plaque and a certificate of honour will be presented to the awardee at the 2026 Annual National Conference of the Association.

Criteria for Nomination

- *Must have contributed to promoting the practice of the library and information profession.*
- *Must have made some outstanding innovation or contributions to the profession.*
- *Must be actively supportive of the Association's activities at local and National levels.*
- *Must have high integrity and good standing in the society.*
- *Any other information that may be useful to the committee.*

Who Can Nominate

- *Any financial member of the NLA and a Certified Librarian.*
- *Chairmen of State Chapters and Sections.*

How to Nominate

- *Complete the Application Form.*
- *Write a Justification letter on why the nominee should be given the Award.*
- *Present supporting documentation, where necessary, to substantiate the claims.*



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION MERIT AWARD 2025

APPLICATION FORM

1. NAME OF ORGANIZATION:

2. CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS PROMOTING THE PRACTICE OF THE LIBRARY, ARCHIVAL AND INFORMATION PROFESSION

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3. OUTSTANDING INNOVATION OR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PROFESSION

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4. SUPPORT TO THE ASSOCIATION'S ACTIVITIES AT LOCAL AND NATIONAL LEVELS

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5. ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT MAY BE USEFUL TO THE COMMITTEE

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6. HAS THE NOMINEE MET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS/CRITERIA? YES: NO:

SIGNATURE & DATE :



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION EMINENT SERVICE AWARD, 2025

The Award was instituted in 1991 to honour individuals (non-librarians) adjudged to have rendered meritorious service to the Library and Information profession. A plaque and a certificate of honour will be presented to the awardee at the 2026 Annual National Conference of the Association.

Criteria for Nomination: The Awardee

- *Must have contributed immensely to promoting the practice of the Library and Information Science profession.*
- *Must have made some outstanding innovation to the profession.*
- *Must have held other important national/international assignments with far-reaching impact on the profession in Nigeria.*
- *Must be actively supportive of the Association's activities at local and national levels.*
- *Must have high integrity and good standing in the society.*
- *Individuals must be non-librarians.*

Who can Nominate?

- Any financial member of the NLA and Certified Librarian.
- Chairmen of State Chapters and Sections of the NLA.

How to Nominate

- Complete the Application form.
- Write a justification letter, stating all the criteria provided above.
- Submit a copy of the nominee's detailed curriculum vitae.
- Present supporting documentation, where necessary, to substantiate the claim.



**NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
EMINENT SERVICE AWARD
APPLICATION FORM**

1. NAME (SURNAME FIRST):

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**2. CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS PROMOTING THE PRACTICE OF THE LIBRARY, ARCHIVAL
AND INFORMATION PROFESSION**

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3. OUTSTANDING INNOVATION OR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PROFESSION

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4. SUPPORT TO THE ASSOCIATION'S ACTIVITIES AT LOCAL AND NATIONAL LEVELS

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5. ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT MAY BE USEFUL TO THE COMMITTEE

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6. HAS THE NOMINEE MET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS/CRITERIA? YES NO

7. SIGNATURE AND DATE:



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION BEST STATE CHAPTER AWARD 2025

The Award was instituted by the NLA in 1995 for deserving State Chapters that have promoted the Library and Information Service profession through their activities. A plaque and a certificate of honour will be presented to the awardee at the 2025 Annual National Conference of the Association.

Criteria for Best State Chapter Award:

1. Membership Strength

- *Estimated (No. of Librarians in the State)*
- *Institutions (Estimated no. of Libraries in the State)*
- *Paid up personal members*
- *Paid up institutional members*
- *Membership drive*
- *Subscription paid to the NLA (40% of membership dues)*

2. Chapter Meetings:

- *Executive Committee meetings (At least 4 times a year)*
- *Mid-term meetings (At least once a year)*
- *Annual General Meeting*
- *Attendance at meetings*
- *Minutes of meetings*

3. Library Week

- Observed activities*

4. Conference/Workshop

- *Attendance*
- *Workshop outcomes*
- *Workshop report*
- *Remittance to national body (40% of Profit)*

5. Publications

- *Newspaper clippings*
- *Electronic media*
- *Albums, Fliers, Stickers*
- *Newsletters, Journals, Pamphlets, Monographs*
- *Cassettes/CDs*
- *Constitution*

6. Innovations that distinguish the Chapter from others:

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Who Can Nominate:

EXCO, Chairmen of State Chapters

How to Apply

- *Complete the Application Form*
- *Write a Justification letter on why the Chapter should be given the Award*
- *Present all supporting documentation, where necessary, to substantiate the claims.*



**NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
BEST STATE CHAPTER AWARD 2025**

APPLICATION FORM

1. NAME OF THE CHAPTER:

2. MEMBERSHIP STRENGTH IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS YEAR

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3. FREQUENCY OF CHAPTER MEETINGS WITH SUPPORTIVE EVIDENCE

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4. LIBRARY WEEK: ACTIVITIES ORGANISED

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5. NUMBER OF CONFERENCE/WORKSHOP/AGM

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6. EVIDENCE OF PAYMENT/REMITTANCES TO NATIONAL BODY

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(Attach Evidences)

7. NUMBER OF PUBLICATIONS & FREQUENCY

- Name of Publication (s):
- Frequency of Publication (s):

8. INNOVATIONS THAT DISTINGUISH THE CHAPTER FROM OTHERS

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9. ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT MAY BE USEFUL TO THE COMMITTEE

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10. HAVE YOU MET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS/CRITERIA? YES----- NO-----

11. SIGNATURE & DATE:.....



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

BEST STATE PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICE AWARD 2025

This award is given to the most active State Library Board in Nigeria that has provided support to and promoted the ideals of the Association. A plaque and certificate will be presented to the awardee at the 2026 Annual National Conference of the Association.

Criteria for the Best State Public Library Services

- *Government Support*
- *Properly Constituted Library Board*
- *Physical Achievement:*
 - *Number of Branches*
 - *Infrastructure Development*
 - *Library Stock*
 - *Staff Members (qualifications and categories)*
- *Board Membership*
- *Level of Automation*
- *Internet connectivity*
- *Budget Allocation*
 - *Recurrent*
 - *Capital*
- *Readership Promotion Campaign*
- *Innovations*
- *Support for NLA*
- *Publications (Journals, Newsletters, etc.)*

Who Can Nominate

- *Directors of State Library Boards and also Certified Librarians*
- *Chairmen of State Chapters and Sections of NLA*

How to Apply

- *Complete the Application Form*
- *Write a Justification letter on why the Public Library should be given the Award*
 - Present supporting documentation, where necessary, to substantiate the claims.*



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

BEST STATE PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICE AWARD 2024 APPLICATION FORM

1. NAME OF THE LIBRARY:

2. LEVEL AND TYPE OF INTERACTION WITH GOVERNMENT:

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3. PHYSICAL ACHIEVEMENT E.G. NUMBER OF BRANCHES, INFRASTRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENT ETC.

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4. NUMBER AND NAMES OF ACTIVE BOARD MEMBERSHIP

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5. LEVEL OF AUTOMATION AND TECHNOLOGICAL APPLICATIONS

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6. DO YOU HAVE A FUNCTIONAL INTERNET CONNECTIVITY? WHAT IS THE SPEED (WWW.SPEEDTEST.NET) AND HOW MANY COMPUTERS DOES IT SERVE?

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7. READERSHIP PROMOTION CAMPAIGN (HOW MANY? DESCRIBE THE IMPACT)

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8. INNOVATIONS

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9. SUPPORT TO NLA (INCLUDING INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIP DUES)

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10. PUBLICATIONS (JOURNALS, NEWSLETTERS, ETC)

11. ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT MAY BE USEFUL TO THE COMMITTEE

12. HAVE YOU MET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS/CRITERIA? YES----- NO-----

13. SIGNATURE & DATE:



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

BEST SECTION AWARD 2025

This award is given to the most active Section of the NLA that has provided support to and promoted the ideals of the Association. A plaque and certificate will be presented to the awardee at the 2026 Annual National Conference of the Association.

Criteria for NLA Best Section Award

- *Membership strength*
- *Activities (Workshops, Seminars etc.)*
- *Number of Executive Meetings held with supportive evidence*
- *Innovation introduced*
- *Contribution to NLA*
- *Publications (journals, Newsletters etc.)*

Who Can Nominate

- *Chairmen of Sections*

How to Apply

- *Complete the Application Form*
- *Write a Justification letter on why the Section should be given the Award*
- *Present supporting documentation, where necessary, to substantiate the claims.*



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION BEST SECTION AWARD 2025 APPLICATION FORM

1. NAME OF THE SECTION

2. MEMBERSHIP STRENGTH IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS

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3. ACTIVITIES IN THE LAST ONE YEAR (WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS ETC.)

4. NUMBER OF EXECUTIVE MEETINGS HELD WITH SUPPORTIVE EVIDENCE

5. INNOVATION INTRODUCED

6. CONTRIBUTIONS TO NLA

7. PUBLICATIONS (JOURNALS, NEWSLETTERS ETC.)

8. ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT MAY BE USEFUL TO THE COMMITTEE

9. HAVE YOU MET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS/CRITERIA? YES----- NO-----

10. SIGNATURE & DATE:



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION BEST LIBRARY WEEK ACTIVITY CHAPTER AWARD 2025

The above award was instituted by the Association to encourage chapters to be more active during the annual library week. A plaque and certificate will be presented to the awardee at the 2026 Annual National Conference of the Association.

Criteria to be considered for the award:

- *Must have shown evidence of activities through adequate publicity*
- *Evidence of active participation by members in the chapter*
- *Detailed and proper documentation of the library week activities*
- *Evidence of total compliance with the theme and period of the library week*

Who Can Nominate

- *EXCO, Chairmen of State Chapters*

How to Apply

- *Complete the Application Form*
- *Write a Justification letter on why the Chapter should be given the Award*
- *Present all supporting documentation, where necessary, to substantiate the claims.*



**NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
BEST LIBRARY WEEK ACTIVITY CHAPTER AWARD
2025 APPLICATION FORM**

1. NAME OF THE CHAPTER:

2. EVIDENCE OF ACTIVITIES THROUGH ADEQUATE PUBLICITY:

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3. EVIDENCE OF ACTIVE PARTICIPATION BY MEMBERS IN THE CHAPTER:

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4. DETAILED AND PROPER DOCUMENTATION OF LIBRARY WEEK ACTIVITIES:

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(Attach Evidence of Activities)

5. COMPLIANCE WITH THE THEME OF THE LIBRARY WEEK:

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6. HAVE YOU MET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS/CRITERIA? YES----- NO-----

7. SIGNATURE & DATE: _____



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

DR. T.M SALISU AWARDFOR THE MOST PUBLISHED LIBRARIAN 2025

The annual award, instituted by Dr. T. M. Salisu, is to be given to the “Most Published Librarian”. The main aim of the award is to encourage particularly young librarians and interested members, irrespective of age, to publish. The award recognizes and promotes the importance of writing well-researched, peer-reviewed papers for publication as a platform for contributing to the development of the profession. N20, 000 a plaque and a certificate of honour will be presented to the awardee at the 2026 Annual National Conference of the Association.

Criteria for the Selection of the Awardee. The member

- *Must be a financial member of the Nigerian Library Association for the last three consecutive years.*
- *Must be a Certified Librarian.*
- *Must have published in recognized journals, books and so on. The published works must have been highly innovative and have impacted the profession positively.*
- *Must have presented at least one paper at the NLA Conference/AGM/Workshop at National or State level.*
- *Must have a minimum of 10 publications of which 5 must be peer reviewed journals.*

Who Can Nominate

- *Any financial member of the NLA and also a Certified Librarian.*
- *Chairmen of State Chapters and Sections of NLA.*

How to Apply

- *Complete the Application Form.*
- *A Justification letter on why the applicant/nominee should be given the Award.*
- *An Introductory letter from the applicant/nominee’s State Chapter indicating his/her membership status.*
- *A copy of the nominee’s detailed curriculum vitae.*
- *Attach all titles of published work, names of journals, year of publication, etc., of the nominee.*
- *Present supporting documentation, where necessary, to substantiate the claims.*



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

DR. T.M SALISU AWARDFOR THE MOST PUBLISHED LIBRARIAN 2025 APPLICATION FORM

1. NAMES IN CAPITAL LETTERS (Surname first)

2. LIST OF TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS ATTENDED WITH QUALIFICATIONS & DATE

3. PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & POSITIONS HELD AT STATE/NATIONAL LEVELS

4. MEMBERSHIP OF NLA (State membership dues paid in the last 3 consecutive years)

Year Year Year

Amount Amount Amount

5. SCHOLARSHIPS, PRIZES, AWARDS & HONOURS RECEIVED

6. MAJOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO KNOWLEDGE

7. HOW COLLEAGUES HAVE BENEFITTED FROM YOUR PUBLICATIONS

8. LIST OF PAPERS PRESENTED AT NLA CONFERENCES/AGM/WORKSHOPS

9. HOW MANY PAPERS HAVE YOU PUBLISHED IN

- i. *JOURNALS*
- ii. *CHAPTERS IN BOOKS*
- iii. *THESIS*
- iv. *OTHERS*

10. OTHER INFORMATION THAT MAY BE USEFUL TO THE COMMITTEE

11. HAS THE NOMINEE MET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS/CRITERIA? YES---NO---

12. SIGNATURE & DATE:



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

DR. VICTORIA OKOJIE AWARD FOR ADVOCACY AND PROMOTION OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SERVICES 2025

The Annual Award was instituted by Dr. Victoria Okojie, former President of the NLA, for advocacy and publicity of the LIS profession in order to support improvement of the image and status of the profession and LIS professionals.

N20,000 a plaque and a certificate of honour will be presented to the awardee at the 2026 Annual National Conference of the Association.

Criteria for Selection of Candidates

- *Must be a certified librarian.*
- *Must be a financial member of the NLA for the last 3 consecutive years*
- *Must have done remarkable advocacy and publicity for the Association in the year 2025.*
- *Must be actively supportive of the Associations' activities at the local, national/international levels.*
- *Any other related information.*

Who Can Nominate

Any financial member of the NLA who is a Certified Librarian as well as Chairmen of State Chapters and Sections

How to Apply

- *Complete the Application Form*
- *A cover letter justifying why the applicant/nominee should be given the Award*
- *An Introductory letter from the applicant/nominee's State Chapter indicating his/her Membership status*
- *A copy of the applicant/nominee's curriculum vitae*
- *Present supporting documentation, where necessary, to substantiate the claims.*



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

**DR. VICTORIA OKOJIE AWARD FOR ADVOCACY AND PROMOTION OF
LIBRARY & INFORMATION SERVICES APPLICATION FORM**

1. NAME IN CAPITAL LETTERS (Surname first)

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2. LIST OF TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS ATTENDED WITH QUALIFICATIONS & DATE

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3. PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AT STATE/NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL LEVELS

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4. MEMBERSHIP OF NLA (State membership dues paid in the last 3 consecutive years)

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5. SCHOLARSHIPS, PRIZES, AWARDS & HONOURS RECEIVED

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6. ARE YOU CERTIFIED: YES: **NO:**

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**7. GIVE DETAILS OF YOUR ADVOCACY ON LIS ISSUES & PUBLICITY FOR THE
ASSOCIATION/PROFESSION (attach a separate sheet, if necessary):**

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8. DESCRIBE THE IMPACT OF YOUR ADVOCACY

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10. HAS THE NOMINEE MET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS/CRITERIA? YES--- NO---

11. SIGNATURE & DATE:



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

MRS. G. O. ODUSANWO'S AWARD FOR BEST LIBRARIAN IN GOVERNMENT LIBRARIES IN NIGERIA, 2025

The Award, was instituted by Mrs. G. O. Odunsanwo, and is to be given to the Best Librarian in Government libraries in Nigeria. N20, 000, a plaque and a certificate of honour will be presented to the successful candidate at the 2026 Annual National Conference of the Association.

Criteria for Award

- Must be a financial member in the last 3 consecutive years.
- Must have made outstanding innovations in his/her place of work (Government Library).
- Must be a Certified Librarian

Who can Nominate?

- Chairmen of State Chapters and Sections.
- Any financial member of the Association who is a Certified Librarian.

How to Nominate

- Complete the Application Form.
- Write a cover letter, justifying why the nominee should be given the award.
- Submit a copy of the nominee's curriculum vitae.
- An introductory letter from the nominee's State Chapter, indicating his/her membership status.
- Present supporting documentation, where necessary, to substantiate the claims.
- All nominations should be sent to the Awards Committee through the Association of Government Libraries (AGOL).



**NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
MRS. G. O. ODUSANWO'S AWARD FOR BEST LIBRARIAN IN GOVERNMENT
LIBRARIES IN NIGERIA, 2025**

APPLICATION FORM

1. NAME IN CAPITAL LETTERS (Surname First)

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2. LIST OF TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS ATTENDED WITH DATES:

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3. PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AT STATE/NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL LEVELS

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4. MEMBERSHIP OF NLA (STATE MEMBERSHIP DUES PAID IN THE LAST 3 CONSECUTIVE YEARS)

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5. SCHOLARSHIPS, PRIZES, AWARDS & HONOURS RECEIVED

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6. ARE YOU CERTIFIED? YES NO

7. IF NO WHY?

**8. GIVE DETAILS OF OUTSTANDING INNOVATION IN YOUR PLACE OF WORK
(ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET, IF NECESSARY)**

9. ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT MAY BE USEFUL TO THE COMMITTEE

10. HAS THE NOMINEE MET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS/CRITERIA? YES--- NO---

11. SIGNATURE & DATE:



NIGERIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

PROFESSOR LENRIE OLATOKUNBO AINA AWARD FOR THE BEST LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE SCHOLARLY JOURNAL PRODUCED IN NIGERIA, 2025

The annual award, instituted by Professor Lenrie Olatokunbo Aina, is to be given to the best Library and Information Science Scholarly Journal produced in Nigeria, “African Journal of Library, Archives and Information Science”. The main aim of the award is to encourage Library and Information Science Scholars to publish on African Journal of Library, Archives and Information Science. The award promotes the necessity for Library scholars in ethical writing, well researched, and peer-reviewed papers for publication as well as contributing to the advancement of the profession.

The best LIS scholarly journal will receive an annual award of #100,000.00 (one hundred thousand naira only), and a certificate of honour will be presented to the awardee at the 2026 Annual National Conference of the Association, to be sponsored by Professor Lenrie Olatokunbo Aina.

Criteria for the Best LIS Scholarly Journal Produced in Nigeria

A journal to be given the prize must meet one of the criteria listed below, in order of priority;

- i. A journal covered by one of the major databases in the World Web of Science or Scopus*
- ii. If no journal qualifies in (i) then it must have an h-index of not less than 10. If more than one journal qualifies, then the journal with the highest h-index shall be awarded the prize.*
- iii. If no journal meets criteria (i) and (ii), it must be a journal with a national coverage. At least the journal must publish papers from authors, in four of the geographical zones in Nigeria.*
- iv. If no journal qualifies based on (i),(ii) and (iii), then no award will be made that year*
- v. Any journal that won the prize consecutively for three years shall not be eligible for the subsequent year.*

Who Can Nominate

- Any recognized Professor of Library and Information Science*

How to Apply

- Complete the Application Form (by the Editor-in-Chef)*
- A Justification letter on why the journal should be given the Award.*
- Attach all titles of published works within the past three (3) years.*
- Present supporting documentation, where necessary, to substantiate the claims.*



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APPLICATION FORM

1. NAME OF JOURNAL

3. YEAR OF COMMENCEMENT

4. MEMBERSHIP OF NLA (State membership dues paid in the last 3 consecutive

Year	Amount	Year	Amount	Year	Amount

5. SCHOLARSHIPS, PRIZES, AWARDS & HONOURS RECEIVED

6. NATURE OF PUBLICATION, ANNUALLY () BI-ANNUALLY () QUARTERLY ()

OTHERS.

7. NUMBER OF ISSUES SINCE INCEPTION

8. EDITORIAL BOARD

9. INDEXING BODIES (PROVIDE EVIDENCE)

10. OTHER INFORMATION THAT MAY BE USEFUL TO THE COMMITTEE

11. SIGNATURE & DATE: