

NEW FOR 2008!

Maine Library Excellence Award

- Application deadline changed to September 1st
- Monetary award of \$500
- Award to be presented during the Joint Council "Libraries Futures" Conference, October 3, 2008

This award will honor one or more public libraries that have provided outstanding service to their communities. The award is for either a successful ongoing program or a one-time program that occurred during the last three years. Nominations will be judged on service to the community, creativity and innovation, and leadership in creating model programs.

Winners will receive:

- \$500 cash award
- Specially designed plaque
- Award presentation during Joint Fall Council Meeting
- 1-year loan of special award banner

Awards will be offered to libraries in two population categories:

- Libraries serving populations of 10,000 or more, and
- Libraries serving populations below 10,000

This program is sponsored by the Maine State Library, the Maine Library Association, the Friends of Maine Libraries, and the Maine Library Trustees Association.

Application Deadline: September 1, 2008
Submit "intent to apply" by June 1, 2008
to: valerie.osborne@bpl.lib.me.us

For more information and to download entry forms visit
<http://www.maine.gov/msl/libraries/districts/excellence/app.htm>