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REFORMA Announces 2016 Librarian of the Year (LOTY) Winner

REFORMA is proud to announce the recipient of the 2016 Arnulfo Trejo Librarian of the Year (LOTY) award, Adriana Huertas (REFORMA LIBROS Chapter, San Diego Public Library)

Adriana Huertas has been an active member of REFORMA for over nine years. She served as president of the LIBROS chapter in 2013 and is currently the International Relations Committee Chair for REFORMA National and chair of the local efforts for REFORMA's Children in Crisis Task Force. Additionally, Ms. Huertas is motivated in her continuous professional learning and promotes many opportunities for colleagues to do the same; she is an active member of the American Library Association (ALA), California Library Association (CLA), and Public Library Association (PLA).



Ms. Huertas is current Branch Manager of the Logan Heights Branch of the San Diego Public Library system. She began her career with SDPL in 2009 as a Library Aide and has since worked with the library system in many capacities.

Part of Ms. Huertas continued efforts to make international connections with libraries across borders is the establishment of the *Seguimos Creando Enlaces* conference, a binational library conference. She has served as a Chair for the committee for the past five years and has literally and figuratively cross borders to address issues affecting the library field internationally.

Other highlights from Ms. Huertas' career include being a Spectrum Scholarship recipient, REFORMA Scholarship recipient, receiving the Public Library Staff Education Program award, and being selected to attend the prestigious Eureka! Leadership Program.

Fellow Reformistas say this about Adriana Huertas:

"Many lives have been changed because of Ms. Huertas. Ms. Huertas is an energetic, proactive librarian who gets results and is not afraid to try to new ideas." – Leslie McNabb

"Ms. Huertas has been a librarian's librarian, always working for the good of the community and involving colleagues and the community. Her work with teens both at the Logan Heights branch

and at the San Diego Main Library's Teen Center show her creativity in meeting their needs." – Patrick Sullivan

"Adriana has accomplished much during her career, but we believe her recent work with the Seguimos Creando Enlaces conference and the Children in Crisis project is especially worthy of celebration." – Melissa Solis

The Arnulfo D. Trejo Librarian of the Year Award is presented annually by REFORMA to recognize a librarian who has distinguished himself or herself in the field of librarianship, promoted and advocated services to the Spanish-speaking and Latino communities, and made outstanding contributions to REFORMA.

Adriana Huertas will be honored at the 2016 American Library Association (ALA) annual conference in Orlando, Florida at the **2016 REFORMA Pachanga!** on:

Friday, June 24, 2016 7:00 – 11:00 pm. Avanti Resort Orlando 8738 International Drive Orlando, FL 32819

The REFORMA Dr. Arnulfo D. Trejo Librarian of the Year (LOTY) Award & the Elizabeth Martinez Lifetime Achievement (LAA) Award Committee

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