

ACMLA Awards Committee Report 2009

The Awards Committee consisted of Cheryl Woods (acting chair) and Trudy Bodak. The task of the committee is to ensure that the guidelines and protocols of the ACMLA Awards are carried out according to the wishes of the Association. The Committee conducted its business via email.

There are five awards currently offered by ACMLA – Honourary Membership Award, Honours Award, Paper Award, Student Paper Award, Certificate of Appreciation.

A call for nominations message was sent out on CARTA February 10, 2009 and appeared in *Bulletin* 133.

There were no nominations received by the committee for any awards. Even though no nominations were received for the Paper Award, the Committee members reviewed all the papers meeting the Paper Award criteria in *Bulletins* 131-133.

The Committee recommended that one paper be sent to an external reader and, in consideration of the response of the outside reader and the unanimity of the Committee, the 2009 Paper Award will go to P. Louise Buck, for her paper “A New Life for Old Charts”, published in *Bulletin* no. 131. The Executive have been informed and will contact the individual about the cheque for the award.

The Committee brings to the Executive the concern that ACMLA members are not taking advantage of the opportunity of ensuring high quality papers in the Bulletin by failing to nominate deserving papers for the Paper Award. We would recommend the promotion of this award more actively this year.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Woods