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**Kay Beaudrie honored by the Minnesota Library Association  
for significant contribution to Minnesota's library community**

Oct. 12, 2016 - Kay Beaudrie was awarded the Minnesota Library Association (MLA) Above and Beyond Award at the Association's annual conference, held this year in Duluth, Minn. This award is given in recognition of a recent group or individual contribution significant to the Minnesota library community.

Beaudrie, a Catalog Librarian at the Art Research and Reference Library at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts (MIA), is described by her colleagues as bringing "visibility and appreciation of the library world through her enthusiasm, love of the field and personal brand of excellence." She has worked with MIA for nine years.

She has been a mentor to library staff, and has led a number of important initiatives including leading the implementation of migrating MIA to a new library management system, and creating and implementing a progressive system that led to an overall increase in cataloging of 404% from Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 to FY 2016.

Before joining MIA, Beaudrie worked with Minitex, training library staff throughout Minnesota on the basics of cataloging.

Beaudrie was honored at the 2016 Minnesota Library Association Annual Conference on September 29, 2016.

**About MLA:** The Minnesota Library Association is an association of library supporters, representing all types of libraries by helping them accomplish together what none can do alone. MLA provides opportunities to meet library peers and associates, and meets the interests of its more than 730 members by facilitating educational opportunities, supporting strong ethical standards, and fostering connections between the library community and various constituencies. In addition to the annual two-day conference, programs are planned and sponsored year-round by MLA divisions, sections, roundtables, and committees. Find out more at [www.mnlibraryassociation.org](http://www.mnlibraryassociation.org).