

## 2014 Florida Literacy Awards Nomination Procedures

The Florida Literacy Coalition will recognize organizations and individuals for their commitment and dedication to increasing adult and family literacy in the state of Florida. The awards will be presented at the closing luncheon held during the annual Florida Literacy Conference on May 9<sup>th</sup> in Daytona Beach, FL.

**The deadline has been extended to March 11 for the following two awards only:**

- 1) Flight for Freedom**
- 2) Outstanding Business Partner**

- Nominations must be submitted using the online submission form. Supplemental materials highlighting the nominee's service history and recent activities should not exceed **three type-written double-spaced pages** and **two pages** of optional attachments (i.e. newspaper clippings or support letters). Please note that CDs, videos etc. will NOT be accepted as supporting documentation.
- FLC reserves the right to assign a nomination to an alternate category provided the nominator agrees to the reassignment.
- Award recipients will be selected by the 2014 Awards Committee
- Nominees must reside in the state of Florida and/or be a Florida business or subsidiary.
- Self-nominations are not permitted for individual awards and program staff members are not permitted to nominate their own program, however a volunteer or Board member is eligible to do so.
- Multiple nominations per category are permitted.
- If you plan to nominate a student for the Flight for Freedom Award, we recommend that you check this individual's availability to attend the luncheon on May 9. This award recipient will receive two round trip tickets on SouthWest Airlines which will be presented at the event.
- Contact Julianne McDermott at (407) 246 - 7110 ext. 210 or [intern@floridaliteracy.org](mailto:intern@floridaliteracy.org) with any questions about the nomination procedures.

**[Make a nomination now!](#)**

A time span of three years must elapse before a previous award recipient can be considered for the same category.

### **Outstanding Literacy Volunteer Award**

2013 Carla Heimer  
2012 Lisa Leiby  
2011 Ann Palmer

### **Flight for Freedom Award**

2013 Christian Lundy  
2012 Vilma Sosa  
2011 Carmen Volpetti

### **Excellence in Education Award**

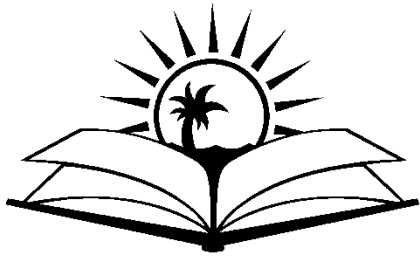
2013 Jacksonville Public Library  
2012 Hope CommUnity Center  
2011 Meade Literacy Council

### **Outstanding Business Partner Award**

2013 Early Learning Coalition of Pinellas, Inc.  
2012 Rasmussen College  
2011 Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida

### **Mary J. Brogan Leadership Award**

2013 Mary Whitehurst  
2012 Margaret Poppell  
2011 Roberta Reiss



**FLORIDA LITERACY COALITION, INC.**

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## Categories and Descriptions

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### Individual Award Categories

***The Mary J Brogan Award:*** Recognizes a Florida resident whose support of literacy exhibits the highest standards of excellence, dedication, leadership, creativity, and accomplishment. **The recipient will receive a \$100 gift certificate from New Readers Press.**

***Flight for Freedom Award:*** Honors an adult student who has demonstrated exceptional accomplishment in improvement of literacy or leadership skills. The adult student must be currently tutored by a literacy volunteer, enrolled in an adult education program (GED, ESL, Workplace Literacy, etc.) or be a former student who was enrolled in a program within 6 months of the nomination submission. **The recipient of this award will receive two complimentary round-trip airline tickets from Southwest Airlines.**

***Outstanding Literacy Volunteer Award:*** Honors a literacy volunteer who has demonstrated exceptional service and commitment in either tutoring or program operations. This award may be given as recognition for a specific outstanding achievement or for ongoing exceptional service. **The recipient will receive a \$100 gift certificate from New Readers Press.**

### Organizational Award Categories

***Excellence in Education Award:*** Honors an organization demonstrating achievement, innovation, leadership or organizational excellence in support of adult and family literacy education in Florida. Eligible organizations include community-based volunteer literacy programs, local educational agencies, and institutional literacy programs. **The recipient of this award will receive a \$100 gift certificate from New Readers Press.**

***Outstanding Business Partner Award:*** Honors a company or business partner for leadership or significant contributions in support of literacy at the local, regional, or state level. Nominees may have established a literacy program in the workplace or shown leadership in supporting community adult education, literacy, or family literacy activities. Example areas of support may include, but are not limited to providing: grants/financial contributions, volunteers, space for training/tutoring, in-kind donations, or publicity and media coverage.