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## AWARD AND SCHOLARSHIPS

**The schedule is:**

Nominations deadline: [August 1, 2008](#)

The Recipients are notified: [August 11, 2008](#).

Public announcement of award and scholarships: [August 18, 2008](#).

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**AWARD AND CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIPS CRITERIA:**

**RNCIII 2008 LIBRARY SCHOOL EXCELLENCE AWARD**

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**NOMINATION FORM  
RNCIII 2008 Scholarship Award**

**I. Nominee – Must be a REFORMA member**

Nominee's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (work): \_\_\_\_\_

Address (home): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (work): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (home): \_\_\_\_\_

**II. Qualifications**

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Based on the established criteria, please describe in detail what the nominee has done to deserve this award. Please type your nomination (including self nomination) and use separate sheets and attachments.

**III. Nominator – must be a REFORMA member**

Nominator's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Library: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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# REFORMA National Conference Library School Excellence Award

## *Call for Nominations*

Call for nominations for the REFORMA National Conference Library School Excellence Award to be presented at the REFORMA Third National Conference in El Paso, Texas, Sept. 18-21, 2008.

**Award:** A Plaque of Recognition and \$1,000 monetary award.

**Announcement:** Award winner will be notified by [Aug. 11, 2008](#). Public announcement of award: [August 18, 2008](#).

**Eligibility:** The nominee must be a library school or program accredited by the American Library Association.

**Criteria:** The Award Committee will consider nominees who have demonstrated excellence in the following areas as they relate to Latinos and the Spanish-Speaking in the United States:

- a) Recruitment of students, faculty, and staff
- b) Enrollment and retention of students
- c) Hiring of faculty and staff
- d) Retention of faculty and staff
- e) Curriculum
- f) Scholarships
- g) Mentoring
- h) Other programs

**Rationale:** The growing Hispanic population and their ever increasing need to take advantage of new information technology will present challenges to libraries, to library schools and to their graduates. To recruit and train these new librarians, library schools need to recruit and enroll more Latino and Spanish-speaking students, hire and retain professors and lecturers who have expertise in services to minority communities and whose research may lead to better approaches, and offer specific ethnic or Latino-related courses or continuing education activities, to name the most basic strategies. Library schools that promote and cultivate diversity, advocacy, creativity, flexibility, and allocation of resources for this purpose will be the most successful in preparing their students. To recognize and encourage such vision and commitment, we have created the REFORMA National Conference Library School Excellence Award.

**Submission Procedure:** Nominations from either individual members or REFORMA chapters are accepted. Nominations consist of a nomination letter and at least three letters of support. The letter should address the areas mentioned above, mentioning quantitative as well as qualitative data, and should also include complete contact information of the nominator. Library schools or programs may self-nominate.

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### I. Nominee

Nominee's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (work): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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