



Section of Libraries for Children and Young Adults

Annual Report 2009

Scope

The Section's major purpose is to support the provision of the library service and reading promotion to children and young adults throughout the world.

Its main objectives are to promote international cooperation in the fields of library services to children and young adults, and to encourage the exchange of experience, education, training and research in all aspects of this subject and to work on partnership with organizations and institutions in the fields of access to information, providing literacy and promoting reading. The Section's concerns include the provision of library services to all children and young adults in different cultures and traditions in cooperation with appropriate organizations and to adults interacting with children and young adults.

Membership

Membership status December 2009: 104 members

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Meetings

SC meeting Stockholm, March 2009: 7 persons attended (5 sc members, 1 soon to be sc member and 1 chair of other section)

SC meetings Milan, August 2009 (two regular meetings): 14 members including outgoing and incoming members; 18 observers

Projects

Guidelines for Children's Libraries Services

Published in December 2003 (English). Already available in 18 languages on IFLanet.

Guidelines Library Services for babies and toddlers and their families

Published in 2007, available in 8 languages and in printed format and on IFLAnet.

Revised Guidelines for Library Services for Young Adults

First version is removed from IFLanet.

Revised version is finished in 2008 in English, Spanish and French and published on IFLAnet. Italian, Russian and Polish were realized in 2009.

ALMA (Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award)

Contact person: The Section's Chair

The Section takes part in the nomination process, by nominating an outstanding reading promotion project/person. Lubutho project (Zambia), National Reading Aloud contest (Netherlands) and IBBY International were nominated by the section for the 2010 election.

History of the Section

The data on Section's history has been searched. A special 50th anniversary leaflet was produced in English, French, German, Russian and Spanish, promoted in Oslo and all translations are available on IFLANET.

Best practice on IFLANET

The collection of best practices in children's libraries around the world has started, the Best Practice Form is designed and tested among the SC members and published on IFLANET.

Statement on Children and Internet in Libraries

Joint action of C&YA Section and Reading Section. The Statement has been published on IFLAnet.

Literacy Training for Children and Young Adults in Public Libraries

Joint action of C&YA Section and Literacy and Reading Section. The Statement has been published on IFLAnet by both sections.

Partnership

ICDL

The partnership with ICDL (International Children's Digital Library) has been continued. Links between both organizations are on the websites, as is the *Agreement on Partnership Between IFLA Libraries for Children and Young Adults Section and ICDL*.

IRA, IBBY, IFLA

The *Memorandum of Understanding* agreed by IFLA, IRA and IBBY presidents is published on IFLANET.

Web links exchange between the Section and IBBY are finished.

Members of the 3 organizations visited each others' conferences. A working committee on possible database on reading promotion is pointed out.

Children's Literature Abstracts

Magazine containing abstracts of periodical articles on children's literature. Data available on IFLANET continually.

International Research Abstracts: Youth Library Services (IRAYLS)

A database containing abstracts of international publications of children's libraries. The database is available on IFLANET continually.

Publications

- SCL Newsletter - two issues – editor Ivan Chew (Singapore)
- Section's leaflet (updated 2009)
- Section's 50th anniversary leaflet – available in five IFLA languages on IFLANET
- Guidelines for Library Services for Young Adults - translations (see Projects)
- Guidelines for Children's Libraries Services – (see Projects)
- Information sharing and exchange (e-mail, IFLA mailing list, special requests...)

Conference Program Milan

- Pre-conference in Rome: *Raising a nation of readers*. 137 attendees from 24 countries
- Open Session “*If I was the director...*”; 500 attendees
Papers, PowerPoint presentations and reviews are published on sections pages and in Newsletter of the section

Other

- As paper for IFLA Journal was chosen: *The red thread* by Tone Lunden from Denmark, session 103.

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Chair of the Section
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