



The National Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish Speaking Connecticut - Massachusetts - New Jersey - New York-Pennsylvania - Rhode Island

## Ismael Alicea Professional Development Award 2021 Criteria

### **Purpose of Award:**

Ismael Alicea Professional Development Award was established to encourage every member of the REFORMA Northeast Chapter to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to participate in the American Library Association Annual Conference. It was established to increase professional development and continue active participation in the REFORMA Northeast Chapter.

### **Criteria for Award:**

- Candidate must be an active member of REFORMA Northeast Chapter.
- Candidate must attend the ALA Annual Conference and ALA exhibits.
- Candidate must attend two days of the conference.
- Candidate must attend the annual REFORMA National membership meeting.
- Candidate must present a brief summary of their experience in attending ALA conference.

### **Award guidelines:**

- Submission of a one page well-written essay stating reasons why applicant would like to attend the ALA Annual Conference.
- The RNE chapter professional development award committee will make the formal award selection. Applications must be received by Friday, April 9, 2021. The Committee will review applications and make its selection known to the RNE Chapter's executive board.
- Corporate members and the award committee members are not eligible to apply for this award.
- Ismael Alicea award is to be given annually to one candidate\*. If no suitable candidates apply, the award is not given. Due to 2021 ALA virtual conference, three awards will be offered.
- Applicants for this award will be notified by Friday, April 16, 2021. The award winner will receive the amount determined by the award committee to be used towards the cost (registration) of attending the virtual ALA (American Library Association) Annual Conference. ALA conference will be held on June 24-29, 2021.
- If the award recipient is unable to attend the conference, the award must be returned to the REFORMA Northeast chapter.