



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED
Confidential Attachment**

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Toronto Public Library Celebrates Reading Award – 2008 Award

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| Date: | June 11, 2007 |
| To: | Toronto Public Library Board |
| From: | City Librarian |
| Reason for Confidential Information: | This report involves personal matters about an identifiable individual – <i>Public Libraries Act</i> , R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P. 44, 16.1 (4) (b). |

SUMMARY

The selection of a 2008 recipient for the Toronto Public Library Celebrates Reading Award is recommended.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Librarian recommends that the Toronto Public Library Board:

1. adopts the confidential instructions in Attachment 1;
2. authorizes the release of the 2008 recipient information through an official announcement when details and timing are confirmed in relation to a major library event.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The award amount of \$2,500 is included in the annual operating budget for marketing and communications events.

The Director, Finance and Treasurer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

DECISION HISTORY

In 2001, the Board approved the creation of an annual award, the *Toronto Public Library Celebrates Reading Award*. In June 2004, the Board approved a selection process and criteria and established a \$2,500 prize. The selection process was revised and approved by the Toronto Public Library Board in April 2006 (Attachment 2). Award winners have been:

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| 2001 | Paulette Bourgeois and Brenda Clark |
| 2002 | Kenneth Oppel |
| 2003 | TV Ontario |
| 2004 | Dennis Lee |
| 2005/2006 | Margaret Atwood |
| 2007 | Robert Sawyer |

In 2006 and 2007 the recipients were announced and the award presented at the Book Lover's Ball which was held in February.

The Nomination Committee will meet later in the year to review the selection process and selection of the 2009 award recipient.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Confidential Information
Attachment 2: Toronto Public Library Celebrates Reading Award Recipient Selection Process, approved April 2006.