

Awards

Distinguished Member Award

Claudia Lascar, of the Science and Engineering Library of the City College of New York, within the City University of New York system, received the 2013 Distinguished DBIO Member Award. She has been previously named a Distinguished Member of the Academy of Health Information Professionals. Claudia has served on multiple DBIO committees in the past, and she has continued to serve, now for several years, on our web committee, currently as Content Manager. She has also managed our Jobs website. In addition, Claudia is the author or coauthor of ten articles in the literature, appearing in *College & Research Libraries*, the *Journal of the Medical Libraries Association*, *Issues in Science & Technology Librarianship*, and in *Science & Technology Libraries*. Last year, articles she coauthored in *Science & Technology Libraries*, advocating the debunking of creation science as an assignment for college students in critical thinking and information literacy, were downloaded 569 times according to Taylor & Francis, the journal's publisher. In addition, she has mounted successful major exhibitions on Women and Minorities in Medicine at her university.

Chair's Award

The Chair's Award is presented at the discretion of the Division Chair to a Division member who has contributed to the work of the Chair, the Executive Board, and/or the Division. This year, Howard Fuller presented two Chair's Awards.

Rebecca Kuglitsch has really stepped up to multiple plates for the Division the past few years. A little bit about Rebecca. She:

- Was born the year our Chair, Howard Fuller, graduated from high school
- Has run two marathons
- Has authored several book chapters on digital inclusion
- Was quoted in the May 24, 2012 edition of the *Huffington Post*

For the past two years she has been Treasurer of the Division, this last year unexpectedly with Andrea Miller-Nesbitt. She has also been Program Planner for the past eighteen months, making everything in San Diego happen. That is a mid-sized project management job that requires managing the minutiae of detail and entering all that detail into a program planning tool. For example, she ordered all the food and room setup, collected speaker release forms and speaker printouts so people could download them from the conference planner, sequenced the programs to avoid conflicts, and acted as our communication portal to SLA headquarters for all things "Annual Meeting". It is the single most time-consuming and intensive officer position in the Division. While attending to multiple officer positions she also moved from Oregon to Colorado.

Claudia Lascar is long familiar to the international library community. A few facts about Claudia. She:

- Has held a DBIO officer position every year since at least 2003 to the present, including multiple chairs...with no end in sight (and that's just in SLA and does not include other library associations in which she is actively involved)
- Has contributed professionally to the peer-reviewed literature, given invited presentations, and was an editor the internationally known health web site NOAH.
- Has actively curated many exhibitions, organized professional programs for her academic community, and won research awards and grants as reflected by the rigor, quality and professional stature she has achieved. She has served as a mentor to many within and outside the SLA community, both as a thought partner for

veterans in the profession and a steward to those new to the profession.

Student Travel Stipend

Gwen Short, Science Library Associate at the College of Wooster, was awarded the student travel stipend. She sends this message to the Division:

I would like to extend my sincere thanks the SLA-DBIO for sponsoring the student travel stipend. I also want the thank Allison Scripa chair of the Student Relations Committee for selecting me to receive the scholarship. I look forward to working more with the Student Relations and Career Guidance & Employment Committees. The San Diego conference was a great experience. This was my first professional library experience and it was really wonderful. It was fantastic to meet so many great librarians with a wide range of professional experience. I look forward to future work with SLA-DBIO. Thanks to the division for making such a great professional experience possible!