

On behalf of the Association of Architecture School Librarians (AASL), the Awards Committee is pleased to announce that Judy Connorton has been selected as the 2016 recipient of the AASL Distinguished Service Award. Ms. Connorton has achieved significant distinction for outstanding and sustained service as a librarian serving an academic architectural program as well as in the profession at large, particularly with her substantial contributions to AASL and related organizations, and she has demonstrated herself to be a worthy recipient of the Distinguished Service Award.

Ms. Connorton served as Chief Librarian of the School of Architecture Library at the City College of New York from 1991 until her retirement in 2015. Her distinguished service to the program is substantiated by strong recommendations from professors in the program. She played a significant role in planning the new Architecture Library at City College, shepherding the library's design over a ten year process. More recently Ms. Connorton was a member of a committee charged with introducing sustainability concerns into the college's curriculum and worked closely with CUNY architecture faculty to build library support for a graduate degree in Sustainability in the Urban Environment.

Judy Connorton's impressive service to AASL includes a term as President in 2002, Archivist from 1991-2014, Awards Committee member 2007-2015, and *AASL Newsletter* editor, 1999-2000. She organized a successful AASL conference in Baltimore in 2001 and at the 2003 conference she coordinated an important session on "Planning the Architecture Library." Ms. Connorton has also been active in the Art Libraries Society of North America as moderator of the Architecture Section as well as holding several roles in the New York Chapter including chair.

Ms. Connorton's impressive portfolio also includes publishing endeavors. She served as a board member of the *Urban Library Journal* from 1998-1999, co-edited the exhibition catalog *The City College of New York: 150 years of Academic Architecture*, and co-authored with Jeanne Brown the landmark 1996 *Art Documentation* article, "Statistical Profile of Academic Architecture Libraries" based on an extensive survey.

Please join us in congratulating Ms. Connorton on her award. Although she cannot attend the annual conference this year in Seattle, we will also be honoring her at the annual business meeting.

Sincerely,  
The AASL Awards Committee  
Ed Teague, Chair  
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