

## PLS NYLA Continuing Education Grant Application 2014

The \$500 NYLA continuing education award will be granted based on applicant's demonstration of need, desire to serve their library and community, willingness to network, and agreement to share what they learn at the conference with others in the Pioneer Library System.

Applicants must meet the following criteria to be considered for a NYLA conference grant:

- Currently employed by a Pioneer Library System member library.
- Be able to present on the information gained at a System Meeting or other Pioneer professional development event.
- Complete application and submit to Ron Kirsop (rkirsop@pls-net.org) by **Tuesday, September 30, 2014**.

Grant Information:

- Grant award: \$500
- Grant recipients will receive reimbursement for conference registration, hotel, travel, and up to \$25 per day for meals **after attending the conference and submitting receipts for expenses**.
- Reimbursement funds will not exceed \$500.
- Reimbursement will be paid to the recipient's library, the library will then be required to reimburse the recipient.
- Reimbursement will be contingent upon presenting information at a System Meeting or other Pioneer professional development event.
- Applications will be reviewed by a committee consisting of a PLS employee, a PLS board member, and a member library director.

### Application:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address (*Street, City, State, Zip*): \_\_\_\_\_  
Library: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Have you previously attended a NYLA conference? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_
2. Did you receive a scholarship to attend a library conference from PLS in 2014? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_
3. Are you already registered to attend the 2014 NYLA conference? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_
4. Please attach a brief description highlighting your need for a scholarship, why you are interested in attending, and how attending this conference will support your library's mission to the community (500 words or less).

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Library Director's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Conference Information

### **NYLA (New York Library Association) – Grant Amount \$500**

**Description:** The Annual Conference and Trade Show, held each October/November around the state, is the largest state library association conference held on the East Coast. Offering a wide variety of programs, special events, networking opportunities, and vendor displays, the NYLA Annual Conference and Trade Show offers educational opportunities for all segments of the library community from library staff to trustees.

**Date:** November 5-8, 2014

**Location:** Saratoga Springs, NY

**Website:** <http://nyla.org>