

Meet the winners of CoLRiC's 2022 awards



The winner of the 2022 CoLRiC Innovative Practice Award (CIPA) is **The Learning Resources Service at Bridgwater and Taunton College/University Centre Somerset** for its 'Embedded Librarian or Taking the Library to the Classroom' initiative.

The initiative focuses on working closer with curriculum by offering a more bespoke library service. It has a two-fold focus: digital librarian intervention which involves the creation of Embedded Librarian channels on FE and HE programmes' MS Teams sites or Google Classroom; and Librarian Pop-ins to classrooms to promote subject-specific library resources and services.

By being "embedded" within curriculum digital platforms, librarians can follow current topics, assignment briefs and tutor announcements, and therefore contextualise the learning resources' information they post within these channels to support students with their assignments, units, or modules. You can read more about this Award-winning initiative in *CoLRiC Impact*, January 2022

In addition, the Awards Committee highly commended **The Chichester College Group Library Service** for its 'Creating an Actively Anti-Racist Library Service' initiative. The judges praised the Service for its commitment to creating an anti-racist library service that will help 'change lives through learning'.

The winner of the Jeff Cooper Inspirational Information Professional of the Year Award 2022 is Vanessa Munro, Learning Resource Assistant from New City College.

The judges cited her:

- ❖ Creative and engaging transformation of the library and learning spaces through art
- ❖ Excellent partnership and collaboration with teachers and students, evidenced by overwhelmingly positive feedback
- ❖ Commitment to literacy and the joy of reading
- ❖ Dedication to service excellence through her continuing professional development, most notably by learning the unique language programme Makaton.

Very many congratulations to Vanessa. (You can read an interview with Vanessa in *CoLRiC Impact*, January 2023.)

The Awards Committee also highly commended **James Golab, Library Learning Facilitator at Bradford College**. He was praised for his commitment, dedication to his work, including his collaboration with academic staff and Sensitivity to the needs of a diverse student group, including those with special educational needs and disabilities.