



CoLRiC Awards - Let's continue to celebrate creativity, resourcefulness and enterprise over 2022

One key benefit of CoLRiC membership is the eligibility to submit nominations for our two prestigious, high profile national Awards: The CoLRiC Jeff Cooper Inspirational Information Professional of the Year Award and the CoLRiC Innovative Practice Award (CIPA).

The Jeff Cooper Inspirational Information Professional of the Year Award is named in honour of CoLRiC's founder and presented to an individual who has demonstrated a commitment to change lives and empower students. The CoLRiC Innovative Practice Award (CIPA) is for teams that can demonstrate creativity, resourcefulness and enterprise in Library and Learning Resource Services in any capacity.

Why not make it one of your new year's resolutions to begin to prepare an application or nomination for our 2022 awards in readiness for our official call later in spring? Applications are reviewed by a judging panel comprising sector experts and members of CoLRiC's Executive Committee. The awards submission process will provide you with a great opportunity to reflect on the value and impact of your service and its contribution to teaching, learning and the student experience.

In 2021 we were looking for inspiring and creative contributions and innovative responses to the lockdown, and we ended the year on a celebratory high note, when engraved glass award trophies and certificates were formally presented to the winners in December before breaking for Christmas.



Inspirational Information Professional

Emma Luby, a senior library assistant at Bradford College, was presented with her Inspirational Information Professional trophy by Craig Tupling Vice Principal, Quality and Student Experience. It was brilliant to see colleagues from across the organisation turn up to the event to cheer on Emma and the library team. She is still on cloud nine after returning to work for the spring term. 'Thank you so very much for this fantastic award, I am so honoured and proud to have received it and to celebrate it with my team who have been so supportive. It has been an amazing opportunity.'

Library manager Lakshmi Banner, leader of the team who nominated Emma, acknowledged her creativity, enthusiasm, resourcefulness, commitment to staff development, and focus on student achievement during a challenging year.

For further information see: [Inspirational library assistant wins national award](#)

Innovative Practice

Trafford College Group's Principal was in attendance for the presentation of the CIPA to the TCG Library Team. Karen Hurley, Library Services Manager said: 'It's fantastic to get this recognition for a library project which was developed whilst working remotely during the national lockdown and demonstrates the role the Library Service can play in supporting teaching and learning and improving outcomes for our learners.'



IS Oxford sponsored the 2021 CIPA and we were delighted to have Emma Duffield, Sales Manager for IS Oxford, on the judging panel. 'It was a pleasure to be involved with both sponsoring and judging this award. The resourcefulness and resilience of the library teams involved was fantastic.'

For further information see: [College Library Receives National Award for Innovation](#)

If you'd like more information, and guidance about our 2022 awards, please don't hesitate to contact the CoLRiC Administration Team at colric@colric.org.uk