

Today's highlights

THE SUNRISE BREAKFASTS:

The 1998 Silver Birch Award Winners

Ken Oppel and Hugh Brewster - CP Ballroom A

The 1999 Cross-Canada Checkup

The Association Presidents of Alberta, Saskatchewan, Quebec, the Atlantic Provinces and the Executive Director of British Columbia - Ballroom B

THE 1999 NOMINEES FOR THE SILVER BIRCH AND RED MAPLE AWARDS IN SESSIONS
501 - CP Ontario Rm; 615 - MTCC 202C; & 720 - MTCC 206C

THE ANNUAL MEETINGS: OLITA and ABFO at 5:15 p.m.

LA RONDE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO - **SOLD OUT!**

Buses start at 6:30 p.m.

EXPO 99

Canada's largest and best library trade show, 10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. including:

■ EXPO 99 THEATRE

12:00 p.m. Cataloguing via the Internet

Allison Standen, Geac Canada

12:30 p.m. Brodart's Library Management Systems for Windows 98/NT

Karen Purvis, The Brodart Company

1:00 p.m. Experience the Tropical Rainforest in your library

Celia Clark, Digital Frog International

■ MEET THE AUTHORS

Peter Sís autographs at his session #813 - CP Ontario Rm., at the OLA Store

1:00 p.m. and at the EXPO '99 at 1:25 p.m. See one of his prize winning films at La Ronde, 8:40, 9:10 and 9:40 p.m.

1999 Silver Birch and Red Maple nominees Arlene Chan, Sheree Fitch, David Bouchard, Gayle Friesen, Norah McClintock, William Bell, Pat Hancock and Robert Sutherland.

The 1998 Governor-General Award winner Kady MacDonald Denton. At the OLA Store and at EXPO '99. See the schedule on page 3.

■ MEET THE 1999 AWARD WINNERS:

11:50 a.m. The OSLA Award of Merit: Tim Gauntley

12:15 p.m. The OLITA's Technological Innovation: Representatives from the TriUniversity Group.

12:40 p.m. OSLA Distinguished School Administrator: Peter Chrisomalis and John Trafford.

1:05 p.m. OSLA Award of Excellence: Donna Carson

1:30 p.m. ABFO Prix Micheline Presaud: Danièle Talbot-Bradley.

■ OLA CAREER CENTRE:

12:10 p.m. Making a Successful Transition to Another Area of Librarianship. Liz Fox, Queen's University

12:50 p.m. Library Skills in an Alternative Work Setting II
Julie Luckiewicz, Investment Funds Institute of Canada

1:30 p.m. More Helpful Career Building Tips.
Jim Brett, University of Guelph

OLA Board of Directors' honour

Liz Kerr cited for distinguished service



It's hard to know where to begin in listing the accomplishments of Elizabeth Kerr, winner of the O L A Distinguished Service Award. Brian Bell, 1998

OLA President, listed a few in the introduction to the award presentation during Thursday morning's plenary session.

Elizabeth Kerr was and remains a catalyst for change with OSLA and OLA, she helped to develop advocacy kits, introduced technology to school boards and helped implement an information literacy task force. Elizabeth was miles ahead of her time, envisioning wide-area-networks in the 1970s.

Elizabeth radiates energy and it's obvious she loves her work. "Together we are stronger, we will all see our dreams achieved," she said, accepting her award. Elizabeth Kerr serves as an inspiration to us all.

Don't forget to fill out the conference evaluation form!

La "restructuration de l'ABFO"

Seize personnes enthousiastes ont participé à un échange d'idées fort intéressant sur la restructuration de l'OLA: pourquoi abolir les divisions? Le dénominateur linguistique s'est avéré comme le plus important. On devra aussi tenir compte des intérêts particuliers des personnes.

Certaines éléments tels le rôle, les normes, les services et les partenariats ont été abordés. Cette discussion se poursuivra prochainement pour permettre aux membres de l'ABFO d'identifier clairement leur position sur le sujet.