

## Friends of the Dallas Public Library, Inc.

### The Lillian M. Bradshaw Award

The Lillian M. Bradshaw Award, established April 1991 by the Friends of the Dallas Public Library, Inc., will recognize those who have rendered exemplary service to learning, to literature, and to librarianship by persons who are currently members of the Dallas Public Library staff.

The award will consist of a cash award and a citation of accomplishment given when, in the opinion of the Friends, a superior level of activity merits this special tribute. This award may be presented for writings, film, or illustrations which enrich learning, for individual achievement or educational affairs which further learning, and in particular, for librarianship.

The establishment of the award honors Lillian m. Bradshaw for her distinguished service to librarianship and for her life-long commitment to librarians on the local, state, national and international level. Well-known as an administrator, civic leader, and a supporter of library causes, Lillian M. Bradshaw came to the Dallas Public Library in 1942, and served as its Director from 1962 to 1984. She has encouraged public support for the library through its Friends and is a member of the Friends Advisory Committee. She has been president of the American Library Association, as well as the Texas Library Association, and has served on innumerable state and national committees. She was appointed Special Municipal Court Coordinator by the City of Dallas in 1983, and Special Assistant to the City Manager 1984 to 1985. The Friends take pride in recognizing her achievement through the establishment of this award.

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### The A. C. Greene Award

The A. C. Greene Award, established in April 1989, and revised in April 1991, by the Friend of the Dallas Public Library, will recognize those who have rendered exemplary service to learning, to literature, and to librarianship by persons who are not members of the Dallas Public Library staff.

The award will consist of a certificate of accomplishment given when, in the opinion of the Friends, a civic or literary achievement merits this special tribute. This award may be presented for writings, films, or illustrations which enrich learning, for creative service to libraries or librarianship, for individual achievement in civic or educational affairs which further learning for all people.

The establishment of this award honors A. C. Greene for his distinguished service to the world of letters and for his life-long support of libraries. Nationally known author, newspaper editor and columnist, articulate supporter of library causes, and incisive observer of the Dallas scene, A. C. Greene has served as Chairman of the Board, Friends of the Dallas Public Library, and as president of the Texas Institute of Letters. The Friends take pride in recognizing his achievements through the establishment of this award.

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### The Robert L. Solender Friends Award

The Robert L. Solender Friends Award, established in April 2009 by the Friends of the Dallas Public Library, will recognize those who have rendered exemplary service to learning, to literature, and to librarianship by persons who are currently members of the Friends of the Dallas Public Library.

The award will consist of a certificate of accomplishment given when, in the opinion of the Friends, a superior level of activity merits this special tribute. This award may be presented for writings, film, or illustrations which enrich learning, for creative service to libraries or librarianship, for individual achievement in civic or educational affairs which further learning for all people.

The establishment of this award honors Robert L. Solender, affectionately known as *Bob the Bulldog*, for his distinguished service to Friends of the Dallas Public Library and for his life-long support of libraries. Bob was tenacious in both his career and as a fundraiser. There was simply no stopping Bob when he set his mind to something. During his 36 years at the Dallas Times Herald, Mr. Solender rose from advertising salesman to vice president and general manager of the newspaper, where he also held a seat on the board of directors. Bob was an active member of the Friends of the Dallas Public Library for over 45 years and served in numerous roles including a seat on the Board of Directors. His persistent fundraising technique made the vision of a second bookmobile for the library a reality. The highly visible, 40-foot, 18-ton mobile library with a shelf capacity for 6,000 volumes and computers and space for up to 15 people at a time made its debut in March of 2008. The Friends take pride in recognizing his achievements through the establishment of this award.