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To Whom it May Concern:

University of Kentucky Libraries invites nominees for the 2016 UK Libraries Medallion for Intellectual Achievement, which recognizes Kentuckians who have attained high intellectual achievement. Nominations for the honor will be accepted through August 14th, 2015.

The UK Libraries Medallion for Intellectual Achievement, one of UK's most prestigious awards, was created to recognize high intellectual achievement by Kentuckians and to encourage education and promote creative thought. Final selection of the recipient of the UK Libraries Medallion is determined by majority vote of the UK Libraries National Advisory Board. Created in 1990, the medallion recognizes those who produced a contribution of lasting value. Past recipients of the award include Adalin Wichman, Wendell Berry, James Still, Bobbie Ann Mason, Thomas D. Clark, Laman A. Gray, Jr., Guy Davenport, John Egerton, and George C. Herring.

Candidates, either a person or group, may be nominated with completion of the application and a nominating statement that describes the intellectual achievement realized in a scientific, artistic, literary, social, or humanitarian field; the significance of the achievement; and the endorsements or verification of the work.

To be eligible, nominees must be a Kentucky native or had more than three years of study, work or residency in Kentucky.

A nomination form is enclosed and is also available online at the UK Libraries website. To submit a nomination, complete the form and send it to the Libraries Medallion Selection Committee 1-85 William T. Young Library, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40506-0456.

If you have additional questions regarding the award or the nomination process, please contact Daniel King at daniel.shane.king@uky.edu or 859.218.0707

Sincerely,

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