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## OKLAHOMA'S BEST FRIENDS AWARD ENTRY FORM

FOLIO will present two awards to Friends groups that demonstrate exemplary success in support of their local library in 2023. **Entries must be received no later than December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023.**

- **The John Harkey Best Friends Award** of \$500 recognizes a Friends group in a city or town with a population of less than 10,000.
- **The Oklahoma Best Friends Award** of \$500 recognizes a Friends group in a city or town with a population in excess of 10,000.

**To compete for the awards, a Friends group must have paid FOLIO membership dues for 2023-2024.**

Name of Friends organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Member of Friends of Libraries in Oklahoma (FOLIO) from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Library: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Library: \_\_\_\_\_

Library Director's Name and Contact Information (phone and email):  
\_\_\_\_\_

City Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Population is less than 10,000. \_\_\_\_\_ Population is more than 10,000.

### Contact Person for FRIENDS organization:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

The Best Friends Committee will use the following criteria for judging all entries:

- Narrative summary describing a major innovative/creative event or series of activities that impacted your library for calendar year 2022.
- A narrative describing the process used for increasing the involvement of patrons in the local library
- Use numbers to indicate:
  - \*How the events increased the patronage use of the library.
  - \*The approximate number of members of the local community involved in each event.
- Quality of the narrative and the organization of materials presented in support of your entry.

Materials may include: pictures, videos, newspaper or magazine articles, newsletters, posters, handouts and flyers concerning the events. Scrapbooks are acceptable, but not required. Entries may be electronically submitted via e-mail. **The deadline is December 31<sup>st</sup>.**

E-mail submissions to [mhoward6232@gmail.com](mailto:mhoward6232@gmail.com) or mail to **Melinda Howard, 6232 Olde Harwick Circle, Oklahoma City, OK 73162.**