

YALSA Board of Directors – Annual 2010
YALSA's Role in Guiding the Profession

- **White Papers:** During 2008 – 2009 four white papers were adopted by the Board and published by YALSA. Together these documents layout a framework for a set of guiding principles for young adult services.
 - Value of Young Adult Literature
 - Need for Teen Spaces in Public Libraries
 - Importance of Young Adult Services in the LIS Curricula
 - Benefits of Including Dedicated Young Adult Librarians on Public Library Staffs

- **Books:**
 - *New Directions for Library Service to Young Adults* (2002). First published in 1977 as *Directions for Library Service to Young Adults* and updated in 1993.
 - *Young Adults Deserve the Best: YALSA Competencies in Action* (forthcoming 2010)

- **Training & Education:**
 - Train the trainer program
 - Pre-conferences & midwinter institutes
 - Licensed institutes
 - E-courses
 - Webinars

- **Promoting best practices:**
 - Excellence in Library Services to Young Adults competition and book
 - *YALS*
 - Member awards

Additional Resources

- All of the YALSA guidelines and white papers mentioned above are available from the Professional Development section of YALSA's web site:
www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/yalsa/profdev/professionaldevelopment.cfm
- Certification Made to Suit <http://tinyurl.com/2f6d9k3>