The 2015 Distinguished Service Award Committee included Jon Evans from the Library at the Museum Fine of Arts, Houston, Amanda Bowen from the Fine Arts Library at Harvard University, and Susan Craig from the Art & Architecture Library at the University of Kansas. Carole Ann Fabian from the Avery Library at Columbia University and current ARLIS/NA President served as the Board Liaison. The committee met at the Washington conference to talk about the DSA criteria and procedures. After the conference, the Chair asked that the website be updated with new deadline dates and contact information for submission of nominations. An announcement was sent to ARLIS-L soliciting nominations and the call was repeated near the deadline. After the deadline, nomination packets that were received by the Chair were distributed to the entire committee for consideration. A conference phone call was arranged by Headquarters so the committee could discuss the nominations and determine a recommendation. A recommendation letter was drafted with liberal use of quotes from the successful nomination packet. After several revisions, the recommendation was sent to the President of ARLIS/NA. She endorsed the recommendation and informed the awardee. The Chair then informed the nominators of the outcome. The President selected who would make the presentation at Convocation and oversaw the text for the convocation program.

**ISSUE FOR ARLIS/NA BOARD CONSIDERATION:** The DSA recipient contacted the committee before the conference asking whether it is truly necessary to keep the award confidential until the convocation. He will have his partner and some family members attending the Conference which may raise some awkward questions. The Committee Chair replied that this change in procedure would have to be decided by the Board. Some considerations are that a pre-conference announcement might gain additional publicity for the award, other professional organizations such as VRA and AASL do announce their DSA pre-conference, and it would allow the successful nomination packet coordinator to inform the contributors to the packet know the outcome before the conference. On the other hand, the DSA is a highlight of the ARLIS/NA convocation and traditionally it has been kept confidential until that occasion.