Have you considered serving on your PNBA Awards Committee?

The PNBA Awards Committee includes nine bookseller members appointed by the PNBA Board of Directors. Members serve two-year terms, renewable for up to two additional years at the discretion of the Committee Chair and Board. A viable candidate need only be currently employed in a PNBA member store or library.

New members will be selected with an emphasis on maintaining a representative cross-section of the membership—store size, geographic location, genre emphasis, etc. Because of these considerations, a candidate who is not selected one year may be an ideal selection the next.

Service on PNBA Committees is unpaid but all expenses incurred to attend any and all Committee meetings, including the meeting at the fall Tradeshow, are fully reimbursed by PNBA. The Awards Committee generally meets during the spring and summer via teleconference and then again in person at the fall Tradeshow, where the strategy for determining the Shortlist finalists and subsequent winners occurs.

Requirements and Expectations:

* Must have P.O. Box, residential delivery, or dedicated area in employing store to facilitate receiving of 400 book submissions

* Must be able to commit weekly hours to organize stacks as they arrive and to record on master spreadsheet comments and reviews

* Must plan to commit to at least two phone conferences of approx. two hours each during open submission season

* Must attend PNBA Fall Show for both a meeting and the Awards Preview Presentation

* Must commit to a two-year term with possible option for up to two additional years

* Store manager or owner must consent to allow staff member to participate on the Committee and attend the fall Show.

Benefits:

* Participation fosters familiarity with new booksellers, reps, authors, presses and even genres

* Attendance at the exciting and relevant Fall Show—the ultimate professional development opportunity—all expenses reimbursed

* So many books delivered right to you!

Contact PNBA Executive Director Brian Juenemann to convey your interest