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ALCTS' Piercy Award to Patrick Carr

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CHICAGO — The Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) has named Patrick Carr, assistant director for acquisitions & collection management, Joyner Library at the East Carolina University, Greenville, N.C., the winner of the 2014 Esther J. Piercy Award. The award will be presented on Saturday, June 28, at the ALCTS Awards Ceremony during the 2014 American Library Association (ALA) Annual Conference in Las Vegas.

Carr demonstrates a strong record of service to the profession as both a leader and participant in committee work. He is active in organizations such as ALA, ALCTS, NASIG and the North Carolina Library Association. He has demonstrated a strong impact in the area of professional development, regularly contributing to projects and studies as well as producing peer-reviewed articles, presentations and editorial work, including cross-institutional assessments of cost per use for electronic resources and an analysis of the fundamental principles of Ranganathan's five laws of library science as they relate to emerging library practices (such as Demand-Driven Acquisitions). Among his contributions to professional literature is the 2008 book "Managing the Transition from Print to Electronic Journals and Resources," which he co-edited and for which also authored two chapters.

Prior to his current position at East Carolina University, Carr served as head of electronic & continuing resources acquisitions at East Carolina University and as serials librarian at Mississippi State University Libraries. He holds an MLS from Clarion University of Pennsylvania and is currently pursuing a doctorate in Technical and Professional Discourse at East Carolina University.

Patrick Carr exhibits all the qualities represented by the Esther J. Piercy Award. The Esther J. Piercy Award was established by ALCTS in 1968 in memory of Esther J. Piercy, editor of Journal of Cataloging and Classification from 1950 to 1956 and of Library Resources & Technical Services from 1957 to 1967. The Piercy Award recognizes the contributions to those areas of librarianship included in library collections and technical services by a librarian with no more than 10 years of professional experience who has shown outstanding promise for continuing contribution and leadership. The recipient receives a $1,500 grant donated by YPB, Inc., and a citation in recognition of his accomplishments.

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