

Amy Margaret Hutcheson



Amy Hutcheson, 1962. Credit New Westminster Archives.

b. 16 April 1913, Chilliwack, BC; d. 11 Oct. 1996, Vancouver, BC

Education

1945 BA University of British Columbia (completed after interruption in 1932)

1938 Diploma in Library Science University of Toronto

Positions

1933–1937 Assistant in Fraser Valley Union Library

1938–1940 Assistant librarian in children's department, Hamilton Public Library

1940–1941 Children's Librarian, Fraser Valley Union Library

1942–1954 Children's Librarian, New Westminster Public Library

1954–1973 Chief Librarian, New Westminster Public Library

Publications

Hutcheson, Amy (1950). "Royal Commission on National Development in the Arts, Letters and Sciences." *British Columbia Library Association Bulletin* 13 (3): 2–4. [chair of the BCLA brief]

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Hutcheson, Amy (1966). "Federal aid for librarian education and other services." *Proceedings of the Canadian Library Association 21st annual conference, Calgary, June 19-24, 1966*, pp. 36-38.

Hutcheson, Amy (1967). "Jasper Conference Plans." *Canadian Library* 24 (3): 260-262. Ottawa: The Association.

Hutcheson, Amy, compiler (1968). "Elizabeth Homer Morton, CLA-ACB Executive Director 1946-1968." *Canadian Library* 25 (1): 8-17.

Associations/Committees

1949-1950 British Columbia Library Association, President

1967-1968 Canadian Library Association, President

1961-1969 Member of the British Columbia Board of Certification for Professional Librarians

Pacific Northwest Library Association, member

Honours/Accomplishments

Named Woman of the Year by New Westminster Business and Professional Women's club in 1965.

Honorary Life Member of British Columbia Library Association in 1973.

Two Amy Hutcheson Scholarships in Library Services for Children established in 1998 at the School of Library, Archival and Information Studies, University of British Columbia [now the UBC School of Information].

Sources

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