

# David R. Balatti

b. July 2, 1941, Vancouver, BC; d. Sept. 28, 2007, Paris, France

## Education:

1969 HBA (Simon Fraser University)

1971 MLS (University of Western Ontario)

## Positions:

1969 Joined Cataloguing Branch of National Library of Canada

1973 Chief, Canadian Theses Division, National Library of Canada

1976 Chief, Subject Analysis Division, National Library of Canada

1998 Staff Development Coordinator, National Library of Canada

1990 Director, Bibliographic Services, National Library of Canada

## Publication:

Balatti, David (1970). Shortcomings in the Library of Congress Classification. London, Ont.: School of Library and Information Science, University of Western Ontario. (Library and information studies; no. 11)

Balatti, David (2001). "[The Canadian National Bibliography](#): 50 Years of Continuity and Change." In Libraries and Librarians: Making a Difference in the Knowledge Age. IFLA Council and General Conference: Conference Programme and Proceedings (67th, Boston, MA, August 16-25, 2001), pp 563-567. IFLA, 2002. (PDF download).

## Accomplishments and Honours:

1969 National Library of Canada Scholarship to attend School of Library and Information Science, University of Western Ontario

1989-1996 Member, Decimal Classification Editorial Policy Committee

1996-2000 Chair, Decimal Classification Editorial Policy Committee

2000 "Resolution in recognition of the service of David Balatti to the Decimal Classification Editorial Policy Committee ," Washington D.C., November 30, 2000.

## Comments:

We remember David's warmth, wit, and intelligence-his presence enhanced every EPC meeting. (Joan

Mitchell, Editor-in-Chief, Dewey Decimal Classification, October 16, 2000)

## Sources:

[David Balatti obituary](#) published by the Toronto Globe and Mail on Oct. 11, 2007.

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