

# John Provost Wilkinson

b. 1927; d. Sept. 28, 2014, London, ON

## Education:

University of Toronto Schools  
1948 BA (University of Toronto)  
1949 MA (University of Toronto)  
1950 BLS (University of Toronto, School of Library Science)  
1966 PhD (University of Chicago)

## Positions:

Toronto Public Library. Reference Dept.  
Ontario College of Education  
University of Nebraska Library, Assistant Director  
Director, Dalhousie University Library  
1965-1993 Professor of Library and Information Science, University of Toronto  
1994-2014 Professor Emeritus

## Publications:

Wilkinson, John P. (1955). "The problem of professionalism." *Ontario Library Review*, 39 (1): 5-7.

Wilkinson, John P. (1957). "A division of labour." *Ontario Library Review*, 41 (2): 87-88.

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## **Associations/Committees:**

Canadian Library Association

Ontario Library Association

Institute of Professional Librarians of Ontario; publisher of the IPLO Quarterly

Ex Libris Association

Member of the Senate, University of Toronto

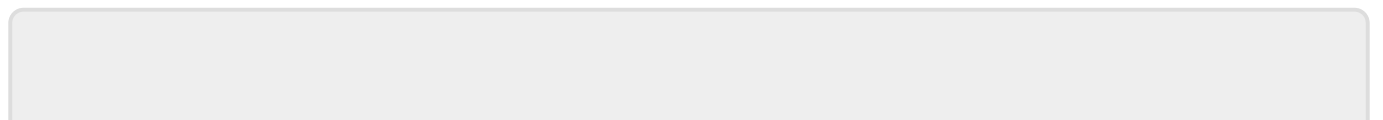
## **Comments:**

Teaching responsibilities included history of libraries, research methods, academic librarianship, administration, reference services, publisher-library relations.

"A peerless storyteller with a deep and vibrant intellect, the warmest of hearts, a rich humour and a love of life. He will be missed by all who shared his company."

## **Sources:**

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