

## *SLA at 100: The Author*

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Guy St. Clair is a native of Virginia who came to New York in 1969 to be the librarian at the Union League Club. His professional career had previously included work at the Alderman Library of the University of Virginia, the Library of Congress, the University of Illinois Library, the Richmond Public Library, and the Boatwright Memorial Library at the University of Richmond. From 1979-1987, he was the Library Director at The University Club of New York.

In 1984, Guy St. Clair and Andrew Berner established OPL Resources, Ltd (now SMR International). St. Clair is now president and consulting specialist for knowledge services for the company, which focuses on change and its impact on people, organizational effectiveness, and knowledge services delivery within the larger organization.

A member of SLA since 1972, Guy St. Clair speaks affectionately about how he “would not have had a career” if it had not been for his many years of volunteer work with the association. A member of the Australia and New Zealand Chapter, the New York Chapter (for which he served as President in 1989-1990), and the Washington, DC Chapter, he is also a member of the Museums, Arts and Humanities Division (for which he served as Chair in 1976-1977 and again in 1983-1984), the Knowledge Management Division, the Business and Finance Division, and the Leadership and Management Division.

Guy St. Clair was awarded SLA’s Professional Award in 1989. The citation for the award reads: “Guy St. Clair is credited in the information profession with recognizing the role of one-person libraries in the library community.” He was SLA’s President in 1991-1992.

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