**Name of the Award:** Emerging Leader Award

**Subcommittee chair:** Kathleen Williams

Award Winner’s name: Mark Matienzo

Will the winner be attending the ceremony to accept the Award? Yes

Contact/point person (if a group or organization):

Subcommittee member presenting the Award: Rosa Longacre (Williams cannot attend)

(this should be the Subcommittee Chair; if you are unable to attend, who from your subcommittee will presenting the award?)

Person Accepting the Award (if a group or organization):

Citation:

The Emerging Leader is a new award this year. Created in 2011, it celebrates and encourages early-career archivists who have completed archival work of broad merit, demonstrated significant promise of leadership, performed commendable service to the archives profession, or some combination of these. Nominees must have more than two years and less than ten years of professional archives experience at the time of nomination. The award is given based on the total experience of the awardee, including knowledge, leadership, participation, and achievements in the profession.

The Emerging Leader award this year goes to Mark Matienzo.

Mark already has exhibited a remarkable record of achievement in a career that is eight years young. Most notable among these are his contributions to two important projects. First, Mark played a critical role as the lead digital archivist on a Mellon-funded project known as AIMS, which is an effort to develop an accession workflow for born digital archival materials. Secondly, the Committee recognized Mark’s significant contributions to the ArchivesSpace project, which is integrating two successful archives information management tools – Archon and Archivists’ Toolkit – again with Mellon support. Both of these projects have broad implications for the archives field and require a unique combination of vision and in-depth knowledge of the archival enterprise. Although many individuals participated in these undertakings, it was clear to the Committee that Mark has been instrumental to their success, using a combination of his archival knowledge, technical skills and leadership qualities. Add to this list his characteristic collegiality, generosity and collaboration – noted by nominators as hallmarks of his work ethic – and the Committee found that Mark Matienzo exhibits those attributes most deserving of the Emerging Leader Award.