GFA Technology Receives Prestigious MLA Award for Library Archival Software; Exhibiting at Denver ALA Show

TIVERTON, RI – January 24, 2018 – Generation Fifth Applications (GFA Technology) today announced its Library Archival Software (LAS) has received a silver award in LibraryWorks' fourth annual Modern Library Awards (MLAs.) The MLAs were created to recognize the top products and services in the library industry in a truly unbiased format, in which only customers with experience with using these products in their facilities were permitted to judge.
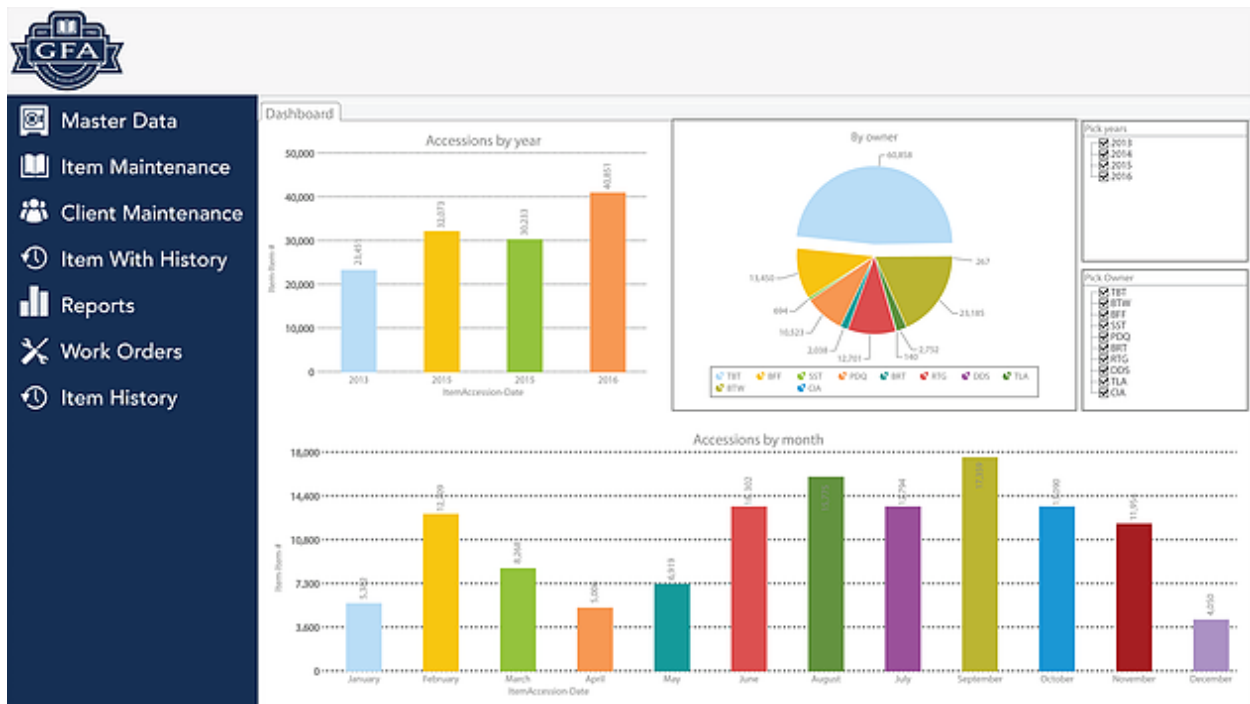
LAS is the original software implementation of the ultra-efficient tray concept of high density storage that was invented over 30 years ago to scan, verify, shelve, store, locate and retrieve books and other items efficiently based on barcodes and sizes. GFA currently provides archival software to over 30 major university and library archives worldwide with over 50 million volumes including the Library of Congress, most of the Ivy League, Oxford University and the New York Public Library.

"We are excited to continue to bring the proven and reliable tray method of high density storage into the 21st century with significant updates to our Library Archival Software (LAS)," said GFA's new Chief Architect Paul Knopf, who brings 20+ years of enterprise software and ERP experience to the company. "We have added new Business Intelligence with Interactive Dashboards to revolutionize library archive reporting capabilities, and we are working on a new user interface that is more accessible to new staff but still maintains the speeds our clients have reported for accessioning new volumes at up to 500/hour and verifying them at up to 800/hour."

One of our customers has used GFA's LAS software solution at their high density storage facility since its inception over 30 years ago. Their long-term staff have pushed the software to its limits as described in a recent usability interview: "it's high performance, if you are good with the trigger you can scan 1 per second." The software excels at managing the key tasks of rapidly accessioning new volumes, retrieving, refiling and reporting so the archive can reliably service its library customers and keep track of over 12 million volumes. Another facility recently reported that "We've had over a million requests and we've found them all with LAS software."

GFA Technology has recently been featured by Boston technology innovator Progress Software as a lead implementer of their new cutting-edge Kendo UI technology. Kendo UI enables a seamless transition for existing customers using LAS to offer mixed mode use so some workstations can continue accessing through the command line interface while others can transition to the new graphical user interface.

The new Business Intelligence module with Interactive Dashboards offers direct, interactive access to user data in a very visual and intuitive fashion. With Excel integration, customized queries and reports that can be published directly to the web using standard output formats like PDF and HTML, the new BI module helps repository managers access and present data quickly and easily without IT involvement. Being able to drill down with real time updated access to data from LAS and other sources will revolutionize reporting and save countless management hours per month.

GFA Technology will be demonstrating the latest developments in its Library Archival Software next at the American Library Association (ALA) Midwinter Meeting & Exhibits in booth # 1056 at the Colorado Convention Center in Denver, CO from February 9-12, 2018. Contact GFA at 207-625-2050, news@gfatech.com or visit www.gfatech.com for additional information.

About GFA Technology
Generation Fifth Applications (GFA) offers the industry leading solution for library archival and retrieval software in high density storage facilities. GFA software implements the ultra-efficient tray concept to scan, verify, shelve, store, locate and retrieve books and other items efficiently based on barcodes and sizes. Using GFA's flagship product, Library Archival Software (LAS), clients have reported that accessioning new volumes can be scanned at speeds up to 500/hour and verified at up to 800/hour! Come see why over 30 major university and library archives including Library of Congress and New York Public Library trust GFA software to manage over 50 million volumes and "never lose a book."

About LibraryWorks
LibraryWorks helps administrators to make informed decisions about library technology, automation and software, collection development and management, facilities and furnishings, staffing, purchasing, and other areas that drive effective strategic planning and day-to-day operations. Our family of resources can enable you to identify best practices, monitor trends, evaluate new products and services, apply for grants and funding, post or find a job, and even enjoy some library humor.

About the Modern Library Awards program
The Modern Library Awards (MLAs) is a program designed to recognize elite products and services in the library market which can help library management personnel enhance the quality-of-experience for the library user and increase the performance of their library systems.