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National Art Education Association 2016 Awards Program

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Nomination Instructions

All forms necessary to nominate an outstanding art educator, student, or supporter of visual arts education.



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General Information

Awards Eligibility

Members Who Work in One State and Live in Another:

NAEA members may be nominated for awards based on the state and region that they work in. If a member lives in one state or region, but works in another, they may be nominated only according to where they work, not where they live. All nominations must indicate where the member works.

Members Who Work Across Division Levels, Including K-12 and K-8: A member is eligible only for an award for their respective membership division, where applicable.

Eligibility of NAEA Leadership: NAEA Board Members, Board Members-Elect, Regional Division Directors, are ineligible for NAEA Awards during their terms.

Eligibility of State Leadership: Members who currently serve as voting members (elected or appointed) of a state association Board are ineligible to be nominated for NAEA regional, divisional, or national awards while in office.

Eligibility of Committee Members: Individuals serving on the awards committee cannot be considered as candidates for the award.

Nominating Family Members: Immediate family members (spouses, children, parents, siblings) may not nominate other family members for awards.

Regional Art Educator of the Year Award and Regional Division Art Educator of the Year Award:

NAEA will receive nominations for regional award candidates from any member and validate member/division status. All qualified regional award nominees will be sent to States/Provinces for review of State/Province Regional Award candidates.

States/Provinces may identify more than one candidate for Regional Art Educator of the Year Award and more than one candidate for each of the Regional Division Awards.

National Awards: NAEA will receive submissions from any member for national award nominations and validate member status for all nominees. NAEA will forward all nominees to the respective national award committee chairs for committee selection of national award winners.

Nomination Letters: Nominators and nominees should be able to craft support letters so that they can be used for both state and national level nominations, in order to move state-level honorees forward to national-level award nomination.



Awards Program Rubrics

All Awards Program Rubrics are posted on the NAEA website: www.arteducators.org

Rubrics That Will Be Used for Judging all Regional and National Awards:

These rubrics will be used for reviewing the nominations submitted for all NAEA awards. A rubric has been created for judging the submissions for each award. These rubrics will be posted on the website so that both the individuals being nominated and those who are nominating others for awards can see them. For regional and national awards, rubrics have been created to recognize the differentiation in roles among divisions, with separate rubrics for Higher Education, Museum, Supervision/Administration, and a combined rubric for Elementary/Middle/Secondary Divisions.

Optional State/Province Association Rubrics: State/Province Associations are not required to use the State/Province rubrics. Rubrics for these awards, which correspond to the regional and national awards, have also been developed for the State/Province Associations should the State/Province Association want to adopt a rubric parallel to the rubrics that will be used for reviewing nominations at the regional and national levels.

Frequently Asked Questions

The following tips may be helpful when considering making nominations for NAEA Awards. Descriptions for each award and the materials required for nomination are listed on the following pages. Please refer to these descriptions before submitting a nomination.

Who may nominate?

Individual Members, State/Province Associations, and Issues Groups may make nominations.

Who is eligible?

NAEA members who meet the established criteria are eligible to be nominated for awards. However, membership is not required for the Eisner Lifetime Achievement, Distinguished Service Outside the Profession, and COMC J. Eugene Grigsby, Jr. Awards. (Please refer to "Awards Eligibility" item in the "General Information" section for additional information.)

How are Awards recipients selected?

The NAEA National Office verifies that all nominees are eligible and that nomination information is complete. Nominations are then sorted and forwarded to the Chair who oversees the selection committee for each award.

Rubrics have been created for judging the submissions for each award, and are posted on the NAEA website. Results are reported to the NAEA National Office.

Please Note: If no nominees meet the criteria for a specific award, a recipient will not be selected.

What is the deadline for nominations?

Unless otherwise stated in the award description, nomination packets must be submitted to the NAEA National Office digitally or postmarked on or before October 1.

Please Note: The NAEA National Office processes and ships more than 100 awards to the National Convention. Nominations for national and regional awards cannot be accepted after the deadline.

When are awards presented?

Most awards are presented in the spring at the NAEA National Convention. Any awards not presented at the Convention will be mailed to the recipient.

How are awards publicized?

A press release announcing the selection of each award recipient may be sent by NAEA to two employers, media outlets, or school administrators of the recipient's choosing. All award recipients are announced in *NAEA News* as well as on the NAEA website.

What should I submit?

Necessary nomination materials vary. Please refer to individual award descriptions for submission requirements.

Who should write nomination and support letters?

Letters of nomination must be written by the NAEA member who is making the nomination. Letters supporting the nomination can be written by NAEA members and non-members alike.

Where should I send nominations?

NAEA Awards nomination materials should be sent in their entirety to the NAEA National Office via e-mail to awards@arteducators.org (preferred method), or by mail to NAEA Awards, 1806 Robert Fulton Drive, Suite 300, Reston, VA 20191. If submitting digitally and you do not receive an e-mail confirmation within two days, please enquire to verify that your submission has been received.

Do I need to submit all required documents together?

Whether submitting electronically or by mail, required nomination documents should not be submitted separately. In order for a nomination to be considered complete, all necessary materials must be submitted together to the NAEA National Office. If you are making multiple nominations, they can be submitted together as long as they are clearly divided and contain all items required for the nomination for each specific award.

Can I submit a nomination electronically?

Yes, this is the preferred method for submissions. Nominations may be submitted electronically via e-mail to awards@arteducators.org. When submitting a nomination digitally, all materials required for nomination must be submitted together digitally in order for the nomination to be considered complete.

Where can I find a digital version of the forms?

A PDF version of this booklet and nomination forms can be found at: www.arteducators.org. In order to save these forms after you have completed them digitally, you must have the most current version of Adobe Acrobat Reader.

What are NAEA Divisions?

The National Art Education Association is divided into seven job-alike categories called Divisions: Elementary, Middle Level, Secondary, Higher Education, Museum Education, Supervision/Administration, and Preservice.

A member is only eligible for an award for their respective membership division, where applicable.

FAQs (Continued)

What are NAEA Regions?

The National Art Education Association is divided into four geographic Regions: Eastern, Pacific, Southeastern, and Western.

Regional award nominees must hold membership in the geographic Region in which they have been nominated. For example, a member of the Southeastern Region may be nominated only for a Southeastern Region award.

Eastern Region: Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Labrador, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Brunswick, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Overseas Art Education Association, Pennsylvania, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Rhode Island, Vermont, and West Virginia.

Pacific Region: Alaska, Alberta, American Samoa, Arizona, British Columbia, California, Colorado, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, and Yukon Territory.

Southeastern Region: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and the Virgin Islands.

Western Region: Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Manitoba, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Northwest Territory, Ohio, Oklahoma, Saskatchewan, South Dakota, Texas, and Wisconsin.

Who should I contact for additional information?

NAEA Awards Program questions can be directed to Kathy Duse, Executive Services and Convention and Programs Manager.

Telephone: 703-860-8000 x281

E-mail: awards@arteducators.org

“As teachers, we must help our students become problem-finders; as artists, we will work with them to facilitate thoughtful, but radical, social change.”

— Stacey Salazar, Manuel Barkan Award



Stacey Salazar, 2015 Manuel Barkan Memorial Award

About the NAEA Awards Program

The first NAEA Award, “NAEA Art Educator of the Year,” was presented at the 1955 National Convention in Cleveland, Ohio, by Dr. Edwin Ziegfeld, the first President of NAEA. In 1977, the NAEA Awards Program was initiated to recognize outstanding art educators in all Divisions and Regions, and from each state and province. Growing in scope since its inception, the program continues to add new awards.

The objectives of the NAEA Awards Program are:

- To recognize excellence in the many outstanding individuals, State/Province Associations, and programs of NAEA;
- To focus professional attention on quality art education and exemplary art educators;
- To increase public awareness of the importance of quality art education;
- To set standards for quality art education and how they can be achieved; and
- To provide tangible recognition of achievement, earn respect of colleagues, and enhance professional opportunities for NAEA members.

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Judith Burton,
2015 Eisner Lifetime Achievement Award.

Digital materials are challenging how we respond to issues such as: determinism and freedom, success and failure, personal and group relationships, and make ethical and aesthetic judgments.

One of the most powerful ways we can address such issues and embody new understandings within our lives is through creative experiences in visual arts.

— Judith M. Burton,
Eisner Lifetime Achievement Award

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Descriptions of NAEA Awards

Eisner Lifetime Achievement Award

The Elliot W. Eisner Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes an individual for their lifetime professional achievement that has advanced art and art education.

Nominations should include Individuals who have made notable contributions throughout their lifetime to the field of visual arts education through their work as a teacher, lecturer, and/or artist. The award is not restricted with respect to the level of work or the type of work that individuals may undertake throughout their professional lives. Examples include but are not limited to contributing to the knowledge and understanding of artistic growth and development; furthering the theory and practice of teaching and learning about art; promoting the role and essential value of art education for human development; and, developing accountability systems for assessing student growth.

The Award

The Eisner Lifetime Achievement Award consists of three parts: (1) a cash award; (2) a reception or other event, on the occasion of which the award winner shall make an acceptance lecture; and, (3) presentation to the award winner of a commemorative item to mark the occasion. There are no required uses for the stipend; it is entirely the choice of the award winner as to how the prize is to be used. Any/all taxes on the award are the responsibility of the winner.

Eligibility/Nomination/Selection

Eligibility: Any individual whose career has resulted in sustained and significant contributions to the field of art and/or visual arts education through a lifetime of work. Only individuals are eligible rather than an organization, group, or institution. However, the Review Committee, in their discretion, may divide the award between two or more individuals if deemed appropriate to the work. There is no minimum age or years of service in the field to qualify for nomination. The award is open to NAEA members as well as others including those who may not be professionally recognized as an art educator. No individual may receive the award more than once.

Nomination: Nominations must include (1) a letter of nomination; (2) two letters of support; (3) a vita that highlights significant work; and (4) a recent photograph (5 x 7 or smaller). Letters should (a) describe the significance of the candidate's contributions over the course of their career; and (b) describe the quality of the contributions consistent with the purpose of the award.

Selection: Selection is made by an Eisner Lifetime Award Selection Committee consisting of a Chair and four members (The NAEA Past President will Chair an Awards Committee comprised of at least one past recipient of the award when possible and three other long-standing members appointed by the Chair). Members appointed to serve on the Award Selection Committee are carefully identified to ensure that there is no conflict of interest and that broad representation of members and educational constituencies is assured. The criteria considered by the Award Selection Committee will be the quality and influence of each candidate's work over a lifetime.

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.

Manuel Barkan Memorial Award

Conceived as a tribute to Dr. Manuel Barkan, this award is presented to an individual who, through their published work in either Art Education or Studies in Art Education, has contributed a product of scholarly merit to the field of art education. Scholarship can be defined broadly to include any written contribution dealing carefully and imaginatively with an important issue, problem, or practice in the field. Refer to the rubric for this award for additional information about Manuel Barkan.

Eligibility

The recipient is selected from NAEA members who have contributed articles in Art Education and/or Studies, published from October 2014 through September 2015.

The recipient of this award presents the Barkan Lecture at the NAEA National Convention.

Submit

A Nomination Form; Standardized Vita Form for the nominee; cover letter of nominations with the name of the individual you are nominating, the title of the work for which he or she is being nominated, and the name of the publication in which the work appears; and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk (if submitting via hard copy).

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.



Dennis Inshulsen, NAEA President and Sara A. Chapman, 2015 Marion Quin Dix Leadership Award

Marion Quin Dix Leadership Award

To recognize outstanding contributions and service to the profession by a current or past State/Province Association officer in the performance and/or development of specific programs, goals, or activities at the State/Province Association level.

This award is presented in honor of NAEA's third President, Marion Quin Dix, in recognition of her pioneer work in the development of NAEA as a national professional association. Refer to the rubric for this award for additional information about Marion Quin Dix.

Eligibility

Past or current NAEA State/Province Association officers. This is the only NAEA award that is open to current state officers.

Submit

A Nomination Form, a Standardized Vita Form, a cover letter of nomination, two letters supporting nomination, and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk (if submitting via hard copy.)

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.

“The visual arts function as a site for contribution, criticality, discussion, dissent, debate, deliberation, concurrence, and liberation.”

—Kryssi Staikidis, COMC J. Eugene Grigsby, Jr. Award

Committee on Multiethnic Concerns (COMC) J. Eugene Grigsby, Jr. Award

To honor an individual(s) who has made distinguished contributions to the field of art education in advancing and promoting education, investigation, and celebration of cultural and ethnic heritage within our global community.

The record of achievement may reflect remarkable scholarly writing, research, professional leadership, teaching, and/or community service that advances the ideals of culturally responsive pedagogy in teaching and learning communities. This award highlights the legacy of Dr. J. Eugene Grigsby, Jr., in bringing to light historical and contemporary accomplishments of people of color in fully advancing NAEA's policies and practices.

Eligibility

NAEA members and non-members who have brought distinction to the field of art education through an exceptional and continuous record of achievement which has significantly impacted the multiethnic community are eligible. Current COMC officers may not be nominated.

Submit

A Nomination Form, a Standardized Vita Form (non-members can submit personal vita/resume), a cover letter of nomination, two letters supporting nomination, and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk (if submitting via hard copy).

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.



Juuso Tervo, 2015 Elliot Eisner Doctoral Research Award in Art Education

Elliot Eisner Doctoral Research Award in Art Education*

To recognize the value of doctoral research to the profession of art education and its related disciplines, to advocate on behalf of such research, and to foster continued support of doctoral research in art education.

The award recipient will be recognized at the NAEA National Convention and will receive: a plaque in recognition of his or her achievement; a session at the NAEA National Convention to present his or her research; a complimentary 2-year subscription to *Visual Arts Research*; and an invitation to publish in *Visual Arts Research*.

The top three applicants will each receive: a 1-year membership to Seminar for Research in Art Education; an invitation to attend the “Marilyn Zurmuehlen Working Papers” session as special guests; and a letter of recognition from the Seminar for Research in Art Education.

Eligibility

Students who have completed and successfully defended doctoral dissertations in art education during the calendar year in which the award is advertised are eligible to receive the award.

Deadline

Postmarked no later than November 1.

Submit

A Nomination Form, a Standardized Vita Form, a letter from the mentor/advisor or committee member, a nominee cover letter, a 1,000-word dissertation abstract written by the nominee, and a digital copy of the dissertation. The nomination letter should discuss the significance of the doctoral student's research to the profession and field of art education, and include evidence that the dissertation has been completed and successfully defended. The cover letter and a 1,000-word abstract of the doctoral research, both written by the doctoral student, should accompany the letter of nomination.

*The Elliot Eisner Doctoral Research Award is co-sponsored by the Seminar for Research in Art Education and *Visual Arts Research*.

Lowenfeld Award

Established in 1960 by friends and former students of Viktor Lowenfeld to honor an individual who over the years has made significant contributions to art education.

The recipient of this award presents the “Lowenfeld Lecture” at the National Convention. Refer to the rubric for this award for additional information about Viktor Lowenfeld.

Eligibility

NAEA members who have made distinguished contributions to the art education profession are eligible.

Submit to NAEA National Office

A Nomination Form, a Standardized Vita Form, a cover letter of nomination, two letters supporting nomination, and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk (if submitting via hard copy).

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.

Charles M. Robertson Memorial Scholarship

Established to honor the memory of Charles M. Robertson for his many years of service to NAEA and the Pratt Institute, this 4-year partial scholarship to the Pratt School of Art & Design in Brooklyn, New York, recognizes brilliance in student art achievement and artistic involvement at the high school level.

Eligibility

This award is open to all NAHS high school seniors who are members of an active Chapter with a 3.0 GPA in all subjects. To keep the scholarship, students are required to major in Art Education and maintain a 3.0 GPA.

Submit

A completed Pratt application form; a letter of nomination listing student’s name, chapter number, school, school address, and telephone number; high school transcript; a one-page typed listing of the student’s artistic and extracurricular achievements in both school and community; and five digital samples representing a variety of the student’s original artwork (on disk if submitting via hard copy), including a list of titles and media used.

Deadline

Applications must be delivered digitally or postmarked no later than December 15.

National Art Educator Award

To recognize one NAEA member for extraordinary achievements and service of national significance during previous years.

Eligibility

Active NAEA members who have performed outstanding service on a national level are eligible.

Submit

A Nomination Form, a Standardized Vita Form, a cover letter of nomination, two letters supporting nomination, and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk (if submitting via hard copy).

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.



Melody K. Milbrandt, 2015 National Art Educator

“In a time of educational standardization, in-depth art experiences tap the power of imagination, inspiring students to live with purpose, realize their unique potential and unlock doors to new vistas of hope and achievement.”

—Melody K. Milbrandt, National Art Educator for 2015

National Division Art Educator Awards

To honor one outstanding NAEA member from each of the seven divisions for outstanding service and achievement of national significance during previous years.

National Division Art Educator Awards

National Elementary Art Educator, National Middle Level Art Educator, National Secondary Art Educator, National Higher Education Art Educator, National Supervision/Administration Art Educator, National Museum Education Art Educator, and National Preservice Art Educator.

Eligibility

A member is eligible for an award only in their respective membership division. This job division should be indicated on the nominee’s membership file in the NAEA National Office.

Submit

A Nomination Form, a Standardized Vita Form, a cover letter of nomination, two letters supporting nomination, and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk (if submitting via hard copy).

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.

Regional Art Educator Awards

To honor one outstanding NAEA member from each of the four regions for outstanding service and achievement of regional significance during previous years.

Regional Art Educator Awards

Eastern Region Art Educator, Pacific Region Art Educator, Southeastern Region Art Educator, Western Region Art Educator.

Eligibility

Active NAEA members who have performed outstanding service and hold membership in the region in which they are nominated are eligible.

Submit

A Nomination Form, a Standardized Vita Form, a cover letter of nomination, two letters supporting nomination, and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk (if submitting via hard copy).

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.



Paget Guidry, 2015 Southeastern Region Supervision/Administration Art Educator (left); with Angie Fischer, NAEA Supervision/Administration Division Director; and Mario Rossero, 2015 Western Region Supervision/Administration Art Educator.

Regional Division Art Educator Awards

To honor one outstanding NAEA member from each of the seven divisions within each of the four geographic regions. This award recognizes exemplary service and achievement of regional significance within each division.

Regional Division Awards

Elementary Division: Eastern Region Elementary Art Educator, Pacific Region Elementary Art Educator, Region Elementary Art Educator, Western Region Elementary Art Educator.

Middle Level Division: Eastern Region Middle Level Art Educator, Pacific Region Middle Level Art Educator, Southeastern Region Middle Level Art Educator, Western Region Middle Level Art Educator.

Secondary Division: Eastern Region Secondary Art Educator, Pacific Region Secondary Art Educator, Southeastern Region Secondary Art Educator, Western Region Secondary Art Educator

Higher Education Division: Eastern Region Higher Education Art Educator, Pacific Region Higher Education Art Educator, Southeastern Region Higher Education Art Educator, Western Region Higher Education Art Educator

Supervision/Administration Division: Eastern Region Supervision/Administration Art Educator, Pacific Region Supervision/Administration Art Educator, Southeastern Region Supervision/Administration Art Educator, Western Region Supervision/Administration Art Educator

Museum Education Division: Eastern Region Museum Education Art Educator, Pacific Region Museum Education Art Educator, Southeastern Region Museum Education Art Educator, Western Region Museum Education Art Educator

Preservice Division: Eastern Region Preservice Art Educator, Pacific Region Preservice Art Educator, Southeastern Region Preservice Art Educator, Western Region Preservice Art Educator

Eligibility

A member is eligible for an award only in their respective membership division. The job division should be indicated on the nominee's membership file in the NAEA National Office.

Submit

A Nomination Form, a Standardized Vita Form, a cover letter of nomination, two letters supporting nomination, and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk (if submitting via hard copy).

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.

State/Province Art Educator Awards

To honor an outstanding NAEA member from each State/Province Association for service and contributions to art education that merit recognition and acclaim. Recipients of this award are selected by their State/Province Association.

Eligibility

Active NAEA members who have made significant contributions to art education on the state level are eligible.

Submission Requirements

Contact your State/Province Association for further requirements and nomination deadlines. Links to State/Province Association websites can be found at www.arteducators.org/ community.

State/Province Association Presidents/Awards Chairs submit to NAEA National Office the official NAEA form communicating who has been selected from your State or Province to receive this award. State/Province Presidents receive this form from NAEA. **Deadline for the submission of this information to the NAEA National Office is October 1.**

State/Province Association/ Issues Group Newsletter Award

To recognize excellence in the development and publication of a State/Province Association or Issues Group newsletter either in print or online.

Eligibility

Issues Groups and State/Province Associations that publish either a physical (print) or an online newsletter are eligible to receive the award. (Note: Electronic as well as print newsletters are eligible for this award. The criteria is the same.)

Submit

Nomination Information: submit cover letter containing association/group membership totals as of December 1 and the name and contact information (including address and e-mail) of the current Editor. **FOR PRINTED NEWSLETTERS:** Submit the nomination information listed above and 3 copies of 3 newsletter issues (9 total)* from the previous calendar year (Jan.-Dec.). **FOR DIGITAL NEWSLETTERS:** Submit the nomination information listed above and low resolution PDFs of 3 separate issues. Please do not send a link to download a newsletter. If you do not receive an e-mail confirmation within two days, please enquire to verify that your submission has been received. Large files sent as attachments may inhibit e-mail delivery.

Deadline

Submissions must be received electronically or postmarked no later than January 2.

*If a newsletter is published less than 3 times a year, please specify this in the cover letter. 3 copies of any available issues from the previous calendar year may be sent.

State/Province Association/Issues Group Website Award

To recognize excellence in the development and ongoing maintenance of a State/Province Association or Issues Group website.

Eligibility

Issues Groups and State/Province Associations are eligible to receive this award.

Submit

The URL for the State/Province Association or Issues Group website, and a maximum three-page summary of how the website meets the criteria for submission (see below) and actively serves the state membership, as well as how your site is currently addressing the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Initial Criteria for Submission

All sites submitted for review should exhibit at a minimum the following standards:

1. Appropriate and current State/Province Association or Issues Group content;
2. Accurate information;
3. Clear navigation;
4. Organizational clarity and proper grammar; and
5. Visual appeal and compatibility with major PC and Mac browsers.

Deadline

Submissions must be delivered digitally or postmarked no later than January 2.

Presidential Citation Award

To recognize a State/Province Association that has made superior achievements contributing to the improvement of art education.

Eligibility

State/Province Associations.

Submit

A Nomination Form, cover letter of nomination, typed summary (no more than one page) specifically noting goals achieved, and published proof of accomplishments.

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.



Jerry Stefl, 2015 Distinguished Service Within the Profession

“As art educators, we have the legacy to give our students the power to inform and persuade through their visual arts experiences. It is a noble profession, indeed.”

— Jerry Stefl, Distinguished Service Within the Profession

Distinguished Service Within the Profession Award

To recognize outstanding achievement, contribution, and service in previous years to the field of art education. This award is open to individuals as well as State/Province Associations.

Eligibility

Active NAEA members who have performed outstanding service on national and regional levels are eligible to receive this award.

Submit

A Nomination Form, a Standardized Vita Form, a cover letter of nomination, two letters supporting nomination, and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk (if submitting via hard copy).

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.



Distinguished Service Outside the Profession Award

To recognize outstanding achievement and contributions in previous years by persons or organizations outside the field of art education.

Eligibility

Eligibility is open to any person or organization which has demonstrated significant support of visual arts education.

Submit

A Nomination Form, a cover letter of nomination, two letters supporting nomination, and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk (if submitting via hard copy).*

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.

*When filling out the Nomination Form, please include all contact information for the nominee, as well as for the nominator. When nominating an organization, include the organization name in the "Name of Nominee" field, and include the name of a primary contact for the organization in the "Nominee Information" section. Please disregard fields requesting information pertaining to NAEA Membership.



Jacques Rodrigue, 2015 Distinguished Service Outside the Profession

NAEA, The Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), VSA Peter J. Geisser Special Needs Art Educator of the Year Award

To recognize an NAEA member who has made distinguished professional contributions to art education for students with special needs through scholarly writing, research, professional leadership, teaching, and/or community service.

Eligibility

Active NAEA members who have brought distinction to the profession of special-needs art education through an exceptional and continuous record of achievement that has had a significant impact on students with disabilities and special needs are eligible to receive the award.

Submit

A Nomination Form, a personal resume/vita emphasizing contributions to special needs art education, a cover letter of nomination, two letters supporting nomination, and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk (if submitting via hard copy).

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.

NAEA, The Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), VSA Beverly Levett Gerber Special Needs Lifetime Achievement Award

To recognize an NAEA/SNAE member whose exemplary lifetime career has made a unique and lasting impact on art education's important role in the lives of people with special needs.

Eligibility

Active NAEA/SNAE members who have brought distinction to the profession of special needs art education through an exceptional and continuous record of achievement that has had a significant impact on students with disabilities and special needs are eligible for this award.

Submit

A Nomination Form, a personal resume/vita emphasizing contributions to special needs art education, a cover letter of nomination, two letters supporting nomination, and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk (if submitting via hard copy).

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.

New Professional Art Educator Award

To recognize excellence and achievement by new art educators.

Eligibility

Individuals in their first year of teaching within the PreK-12 level will be eligible. This award is intended to recognize excellence among new art educators based on their success in student teaching and as a first-year teacher.

Submit

Four letters: 1) A letter of nomination listing the following: nominee's name, home address, telephone number, e-mail address, university attended, date of graduation, and the school name, school address, and school telephone number where they are currently teaching. A student may submit a letter nominating himself or herself. 2) A letter of recommendation from a faculty member or administrator at the school or school district where they teach. 3) A letter of recommendation from their student-teaching supervisor at the school where they student taught. 4) A letter of recommendation from an arts education faculty member at their university.

Resume: Include a typed resume of up to three pages listing the student's artistic and extracurricular achievements related to the arts and arts education.

Philosophy of Teaching Art: Maximum of a two-page, typed statement.

Samples of Artwork: Five digital images each representing the nominee's artwork and five digital images representing his or her students' artwork (on disk if submitting via hard copy). All work must be original and not copied from other sources. Please list titles of artwork, dimensions, media used, and distinguish between work created by nominees or by their students. Include the context of submitted artwork, i.e., a one-page description of what is in the visual material submitted with the nomination.

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.

National Emeritus Art Educator Award

To recognize continuous outstanding service to art education by an individual before and after retirement.

Eligibility

NAEA/RAEA members who have been retired at least 3 years and have brought distinction to the field of art education by exceptional and continuous records of achievement through teaching, professional leadership, and community service before and after retirement are eligible to receive this award.

Submit to NAEA National Office

An updated NAEA Nomination Form noting the date of retirement (mm/dd/yyyy); an updated NAEA Standardized Vita Form with all service and achievements including specific dates, occurring both before and after retirement, identified separately in some way (do not exceed space provided on updated NAEA Vita Form); one cover letter of nomination; two additional letters supporting nomination (with at least one from a retired art educator); and a photograph (digitally, if submitting via e-mail or on a disk if submitting via hard copy).

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.

Higher Education Preservice Achievement Award

To recognize excellence in student achievement in art education at the College/University level.

Eligibility

Nominees must be active members of NAEA. The nominee must have completed student teaching within the last school year and have been an active student member of NAEA at the time of their student teaching.

Submit

A letter of nomination listing the following: student's name, home address, telephone number, e-mail address, level of study, GPA as of October 1, school name, school address, and school telephone number. If a student self-nominates, also include a letter of recommendation from a faculty member at the school or community base where they work or volunteer. Include a typed single-page resume listing the student's artistic and extracurricular achievements in both school and community, a maximum two-page typed "Philosophy of Teaching Art" statement, and five digital images (if submitting via e-mail or on disk if submitting via hard copy) each representing the nominee's artwork. All work must be original and not copied from other sources. Please list titles of artwork, dimensions, and media used.

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.

“It is my goal as a future art educator to instill confidence in my students to remain artists as they grow up to be unique individuals.”

— Chelsea Johnson Tinklenberg,
Higher Education Preservice Achievement Award

Preservice Chapter Sponsor Award of Excellence

To recognize dedication to the development of future professional members of NAEA through sponsorship of an outstanding Preservice Chapter group at the college/university level.

Eligibility

Sponsors of active NAEA Preservice Chapters are eligible to receive the award.

Submit

A Nomination Form, a Standardized Vita Form, a cover letter of nomination, two letters supporting the nomination, a one-page typed summary of student chapter activities, and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk (if submitting via hard copy).

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.

Outstanding National Art Honor Society Sponsor Award

To recognize the dedication of an NAEA member who sponsors an outstanding NAHS Chapter.

Eligibility

Sponsors of active NAHS Student Chapters.

Submit

A Nomination Form, Standardized Vita Form, cover letter of nomination, two letters supporting the nomination, a one-page typed summary of NAHS activities, and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk (if submitting via hard copy).

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.

“The visual arts in education guides any individual as they grow, learn and develop. Creativity and self-expression nurture the inner person of any student, which then allows them to work and learn to their highest potential.”

— Windy Spiridigliozzi,
Outstanding National Art Honor Society Sponsor

Outstanding National Junior Art Honor Society Sponsor Award

To recognize the dedication of an NAEA member who sponsors an outstanding NJAHS Chapter.

Eligibility

Sponsors of active NJAHS Student Chapters are eligible to receive this award.

Submit

A Nomination Form, a Standardized Vita Form, a cover letter of nomination, two letters supporting the nomination, a one-page typed summary of NJAHS activities, and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk (if submitting via hard copy).

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.



Shanna Dunlap, 2015 Rising Stars Secondary Recognition Award;
James Rees, NAEA Secondary Division Director;
Evelyn Martin, 2015 Rising Stars Secondary Recognition Award

Rising Stars Secondary Recognition Program

To promote art education as a career by recognizing 50 talented, active NAHS Members.

Recognition as a “Rising Star” will be given at the NAEA National Convention* along with a 4-year complimentary NAEA student membership (with proof of college enrollment and the pursuit of study in art education); and a 1-year, first-year professional membership (with proof of employment).

Eligibility

High School students in their junior or senior years interested in becoming art educators are eligible for this program. Nominees must be either in their junior or senior year at the time of both the nomination and the award presentation.

Submit

A cover sheet containing nominee’s name, home address, telephone number, e-mail address, school name, school address, school telephone, NAHS Sponsor’s name, and chapter number; three letters of recommendation (one by an art educator, two from teachers and/or administrators); and official high school transcript; a student personal statement regarding art education goals; five digital samples of the nominee’s artwork (on disk if submitting via hard copy); and a list denoting artwork titles and media used. All work must be original and not copied from other sources.

Deadline

Postmarked no later than October 1.

*Recipients of this award are not required to attend the Convention.



NAEA Awards Program Nomination Form

This form may be filled out electronically when downloaded as a PDF at www.arteducators.org
A separate form must be submitted for each nomination. • Please type or print neatly.

I, _____, nominate _____
Name of Nominator Name of Nominee

for the following award: _____
Please print the exact award title as it appears in the NAEA Awards Program Booklet.

Nominee Information

Full Name of Nominee _____
(Dr., Mr., Ms., Mrs.) First M.I. Last

Membership Division _____ NAEA ID # _____ Region _____
Eastern, Pacific, Southeastern, Western

Nominee's Home Address _____
Street/P.O. Box City State Zip

Current Employer _____ Position/Title _____

If retired, indicate date of retirement ____/____/____
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Work Address _____
School/Building Street/P.O. Box City State Zip

Home Phone () _____ Work Phone () _____ E-mail _____

Nominator Information

Full Name of Nominator _____
(Dr., Mr., Ms., Mrs.) First M.I. Last

☐ I certify that I am not an immediate family member (spouse, child, parent, sibling) of the person who I am nominating.

Nominator's Home Address _____
Street/P.O. Box City State Zip

Work Address _____
School/Building Street/P.O. Box City State Zip

Home Phone () _____ Work Phone () _____ E-mail _____

**AWARD PACKETS POSTMARKED AFTER DEADLINE* OR
CONTAINING INSUFFICIENT or EXTRA MATERIALS WILL BE CONSIDERED INVALID.**

*Unless otherwise stated in the award description, nomination packets as well as State/Province Art Educator Award notification forms must be submitted to the NAEA National Office digitally or postmarked on or before **October 1**.



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NAEA Awards Program Standardized Vita

This form may be filled out electronically when downloaded as a PDF at www.arteducators.org

A separate form must be submitted for each nomination. • Please type or print neatly.

Before completing this form, you are encouraged to review the awards-scoring rubric specific to the award for which you are being nominated. This will enable you to include information that is most pertinent to the scoring criteria in the category for which you are being evaluated.

Please do not include binders, videos, previous accolades, etc. Award packets exceeding the amount of information requested may not be reviewed.

Name _____
(Dr., Mr., Ms., Mrs.) First M.I. Last

Award for which you are nominated _____
Please print the exact award title as it appears in the NAEA Awards Program Booklet.

Home Address _____
Street/P.O. Box City State Zip

Employer _____ Title _____

Work Address _____
School/Building Street/P.O. Box City State Zip

Home Phone () _____ Work Phone () _____ E-mail _____

☐ I certify that I am not an NAEA Board Member, NAEA Board Member-Elect, NAEA Regional Division Director, elected or appointed state officer, or a member of any award review committee.

List degrees held, Institution(s), and other education:

List NAEA activities on the national level including offices held, committees, honors, service, etc:

List NAEA activities on the regional level including offices held, committees, honors, service, etc:

List state/province and local art education association activities, offices held, committees, honors, service, etc:

List leadership roles, offices, and/or honors in other professional associations:

List related experience with program development, publications, artistic production, and/or exhibitions:

List other teaching and/or related experiences: