Call For 2016 Florida Literacy Award Nominations

Do you know someone doing great things in literacy?

Recognize the noteworthy accomplishments and achievements of individuals and organizations supporting adult and family literacy throughout Florida. Nominations are now being accepted. The deadline for Submission has been extended to March 10, 2016. If you would like to nominate an individual or an organization, click here.

**INDIVIDUAL AWARD CATEGORIES**

*The Mary J Brogan Award:*
Recognizes a Florida resident whose support of adult and/or family literacy exhibits the highest standards of excellence, dedication, leadership, creativity and accomplishment. The recipient will receive a $100 gift certificate from New Reader’s Press.

*Flight for Freedom Award:*
Honors an adult student who has demonstrated exceptional accomplishment in improvement of literacy or leadership skills within literacy. The adult student must currently be tutored by a literacy volunteer or enrolled in an adult education program (GED, ESL, Workplace Literacy, etc.) or be a former student who was enrolled in a program within 6 months of the nomination submission. Recipient will receive two round-trip tickets to any Southwest Airlines destination in the Continental US.

*Outstanding Literacy Volunteer Award:*
Honors an adult or family literacy volunteer who has demonstrated exceptional service and commitment in either tutoring or program operations. This award may be given as recognition for a specific outstanding achievement, or for ongoing exceptional service. The recipient will receive a $100 gift certificate from New Reader’s Press.

**ORGANIZATIONAL AWARD CATEGORIES**

*Excellence in Education Award:*
Honors an organization demonstrating achievement, innovation, leadership or organizational excellence in support of adult basic education, literacy and/or family literacy education in Florida. Eligible organizations include community-based volunteer literacy programs, library literacy, local educational agencies and institutional literacy programs. Thanks to the support of Northwest Federal Credit Union, the recipient will receive an award of $2,500 along with a gift certificate for $100 from New Reader’s Press.

*Outstanding Business Partner Award:*
Honors a company or business partner for leadership or significant contributions in support of literacy at the local, regional or state level. Nominees may have established a literacy program in the workplace or shown leadership in supporting community adult education, literacy or family literacy activities. Example areas of support may include, but are not limited to providing: grants/financial contributions, volunteers, space for training/tutoring, in-kind donations, or publicity and media coverage.
NOMINATION PROCEDURES

- Nominations must be submitted using the online submission form. Please attach the nomination narrative, not to exceed two type-written single-spaced pages. You may also include up to two pages of optional attachments (example: newspaper clippings or support letters). Please note that CDs, videos etc. will NOT be accepted as supporting documentation.
- FLC reserves the right to assign a nomination to an alternate category provided the nominator agrees to the reassignment.
- Award recipients will be selected by the 2016 Awards Committee.
- Nominees must reside in the state of Florida and/or be a Florida business or subsidiary.
- Self-nominations are not permitted for individual awards and program staff members are not permitted to nominate their own program, however a volunteer or Board member is eligible to do so.
- Multiple nominations per category are permitted.
- A time span of four years must elapse before a previous award recipient can be considered for the same category.
- Contact Nicole Caban at (407) 246 – 7110 x 203 orncaban@floridaliteracy.org with any questions about the nomination procedures.

PAST RECIPIENTS

Outstanding Literacy Volunteer Award
2015 Butch Roberson
2014 Ken Horton
2013 Carla Heimer
2012 Lisa Leiby
2011 Ann Palmer

Flight for Freedom Award
2015 Calvin Crews
2014 Marco Hernandez
2013 Christian Lundy
2012 Vilma Sosa
2011 Carmen Volpetti

Outstanding Business Partner Award
2015 Tampa Bay Rays
2014 Forrest Hill Elementary
2013 Early Learning Coalition of Pinellas, Inc.
2012 Rasmussen College
2011 Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida

Mary J. Brogan Leadership Award
2015 Susan Warner
2014 Susan Mutschler
2013 Mary Whitehurst
2012 Margaret Poppell
2011 Roberta Reiss

Excellence in Education Award
2015 Literacy Council Gulf Coast
2014 Marion County Literacy Council
2013 Jacksonville Public Library
2012 Hope CommUnity Center
2011 Meade Literacy Council

Submit your nomination below!

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