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From the PMTNM Handbook

PURPOSE OF THE AWARD:

The Professional Music Teachers of New Mexico believes it is important to recognize and award individuals who have made significant contributions to the field of music teaching in the private and/or public sectors of New Mexico.

CRITERIA/GUIDELINES FOR NOMINATING AND ELECTING CANDIDATES

A. Nomination consists of a resume of the individual's achievements and status as a musician and music teacher in New Mexico.

B. Candidates must:

1. Be a current member of PMTNM and MTNA and a legal resident of New Mexico.
2. Be supportive of the philosophy and objectives of PMTNM and MTNA.
3. Demonstrate outstanding professional relationships with students, fellow music teachers, and public school officials and community leaders who support music and music teaching.
4. Demonstrate a consistent record of high standards of teaching and promoting music teaching in New Mexico.

The Resume Must Include

- A. Number of years of service to music teaching.
- B. Evidence of quality teaching, reflected by student and organizational awards.
- C. Identified service to PMTNM through active participation at the local, district, state, division, and national levels.
- D. List of honors and/or awards received, with dates.

PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATING AND ELECTING THE "MUSIC TEACHER OF THE YEAR"

A. At the regular spring board meeting any board member may nominate any PMTNM member for consideration of the award.

1. Nominations must be made in person at the board meeting: they may not be received by mail.
 - B. Upon making their written nomination, the board member will present a resume of their candidate's achievements, both verbally and in writing with copies for the board members.
 - C. All nominations presented will then be discussed by the board. When deemed appropriate by the presiding officer, or any board member, a call for the vote will be made which will be taken by secret ballot with each board member listing their two top choices from the list of nominees.
 - D. Three names receiving the highest number of votes will then be placed for another vote by secret ballot by the Board.
 - E. The name receiving the greatest number of votes, out of the three, will be declared the "Music Teacher of the Year."
 - F. In the case of a tie during the second balloting, another secret vote will be taken to determine the winner.

Announcing The Award

- A. The Board's decision will be announced by the President with formal written notification being sent to the winner, and announcement made in the Spring issue of the *PMTNM NEWSLETTER*.
- B. The award will consist of the following:
 1. A plaque engraved with the name of the award, year, and name of the recipient.
 2. Publication of the recipient's picture and appropriate recognition made in the fall issue of the *PMTNM NEWSLETTER*.
 3. Public recognition made by presenting the award to the recipient at the Conference Banquet of the annual PMTNM State Conference.

SAMPLE "MUSIC TEACHER OF THE YEAR" NOMINATION FORM

1. NAME OF NOMINEE
2. PRESENT ADDRESS
3. PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH
4. FAMILY INFORMATION
5. EDUCATION
6. TEACHING EXPERIENCE (Include years and places)
7. SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES AND EXPERIENCE RELATING TO TEACHING MUSIC AND YEARS TAUGHT

8. EXPERIENCE ON COMMITTEES/BOARDS OF PMTNM OR OTHER TEACHING ORGANIZATIONS
9. MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES (Include recitals and performance-related activities)
10. HIGH SCHOOL/COLLEGE ACTIVITIES AND HONORS
11. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES
12. OTHER (Include publications/compositions)
13. DATE and YOUR SIGNATURE