

# The Florida Art Education Association (FAEA) Awards: *Award Descriptions*

The Florida Art Education Association's rationale for presenting annual awards is:

- To recognize individuals within the membership who have achieved the highest level of professionalism in art education; and
- To show appreciation for individuals or organizations that have contributed their services in an exemplary way to the association and to the professional goals we share.

It is vital that the Florida Art Education Association recognize art educators and the outstanding job they do each day.

The Florida Art Education Association invites nominations from any member, for the following annual awards given for outstanding contributions to art education in Florida. Nominees must be members of FAEA, and work 51% of their time in the category specified. Each division selects one awardee to honor for outstanding service and achievement on the state level. Since some awardees who are members of NAEA are eligible for national awards, we ask that all nominees fill out the Standardized Vita used by NAEA.

**Completed nomination packets must include the following:**

- Nomination Form
- Standardized Vita (Please use format provided herein)
- One letter of support
- 3" x 5" Photograph
- Biographical statement (100-150 words) to be published for those who are selected

**Selection Criteria for all categories include appropriate items from the following:**

- Professional involvement in FAEA
- Evidence of strong leadership roles and accomplishments in classroom or workplace
- Memberships, offices, and honors from other professional organizations
- Research/publication and/or exhibition
- Classroom-related experiences in curriculum development, instruction, and assessment

- Quality of packet presentation: adherence to guidelines, typed, and free of errors

## **Award selection and presentation:**

The FAEA Awards Committee will screen the nominations and the Board of Directors will vote on each award nomination. Nominees to receive awards will be notified by the President in August. Award winners will be honored at the annual FAEA Conference and listed in the conference program, winter issue of *Fresh Paint* and on the FAEA website.

*Careful consideration should be made for each award and nominee. We often get nominees that are clearly not eligible for certain awards. We also receive last minute fill-in awardees so "all the slots are filled." There is no FAEA policy that each award must be given every year. To simply "fill" award slots dilutes the quality and integrity of the awards program.*

## **FAEA Awards**

### **Distinguished Service Award**

This award is for the most professional individuals in the field of art. Candidates must be members of FAEA and in good standing for a minimum of five consecutive years and must meet all the following criteria.

#### **Criteria**

- Demonstrated outstanding teaching.
- Demonstrated leadership within the organization and the field of art education.
- Research or publication that contributed to the body of knowledge of the field at the national, state, or local level.
- Active participation at the national, state, or local level in meetings of the profession.
- Strong advocacy and leadership in advancing the cause of art education.
- A demonstrated local, state, or national reputation in the area of art education.

### **Career Service Award**

This award is for those individuals who have demonstrated a career of professional commitment to the field of art education. Long history of membership in good standing in FAEA is required.

#### **Criteria**

- Demonstrated outstanding teaching.
- Research or publication or exhibition that contributes to the body of knowledge of the field at the state or local level.
- Active participation in FAEA at the state or local level.
- Active involvement in the profession at the local, state, or national level in curriculum design.
- Development of an outstanding program in the field at the local, state, or national level in curriculum design.
- Worthwhile contributions with regard to local, state, or national conferences in designing workshops, panels, presentations, or media events.
- History of advocacy and leadership in advancing the cause of art education in Florida.

### **Lifetime Achievement Award**

This award recognizes those individuals who have demonstrated long-standing state/national work on behalf of art education

### **Principal/Administrator of the Year Award**

This award is to be presented to a school based Principal/Administrator, in the state of Florida, who has provided exemplary support for art education in his/her school. Membership is not required for this award.

### **Friend of Art Education Award**

This award is to be presented to an individual who has provided significant support and/or service for art education in Florida. Membership is not required for this award.

### **Florida's Outstanding Art Educator of the Year**

This award is for candidates who are members in good standing of FAEA. Membership in FAEA for three consecutive years is mandatory. If the candidate is a member of NAEA, their name will be submitted to NAEA by the President. Candidates must be able to meet all the following criteria.

#### **Criteria**

- Demonstrated outstanding teaching.
- Demonstrated leadership within the organization and the field of art education.
- Research or publication or exhibition that contributes to the body of knowledge of the field at the local, state, or national level.
- Strong advocacy and leadership in advancing the cause of art education.
- Outstanding service to the community that advocates the purposes of art education.
- A demonstrated local, state, or national reputation in the area of art education.
- Active participation in FAEA at the local or state level.
- Development of an outstanding program in the field at the local, state, or national level.

#### **Florida's Outstanding:**

**Elementary Art Educator**  
**Middle Level Art Educator**  
**Secondary Art Educator**  
**Higher Education Art Educator**  
**Supervisor/Administrator**  
**Museum Art Educator**

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#### **Criteria**

- Demonstrated outstanding teaching.
- Demonstrated leadership within the organization and the field of art education.
- Research or publication or exhibition that contributes to the body of knowledge of the field at the local or state level.
- A demonstrated local or state reputation in the area of art education.
- Active participation in FAEA at the local or state level.
- Development of an outstanding program in the field at the local or state level.
- Worthwhile contributions with regard to local or state conferences and designing workshops, panels, presentations, or media events.

### **Retired Art Educator Award**

This award recognizes those individuals who have been retired at least three (3) years, with continuous achievement in art education.

### **Community Service/Institution/Commercial/Corporate Award**

This award is presented to a community Service, Business, or an organization that works to support the goals of the art education field and profession. Membership is not required for this award. The following are examples of outstanding contributions that may be made:

- Workshops for school and community organizations.
- Providing exhibition space and publicity for a local art show.
- Donation of services of publicizing contributions of young artists in the community.
- Support to youth for art study or purchase of art supplies.

### **National Art Honor Society – Florida Student Award**

This award is for student candidates in schools where there is an established chapter of the National Art Honor Society. Membership of the student(s) art teacher in FAEA is required.

#### **Criteria**

- Is Defined by the National Art Honor Society.
- Application
  - Letter of Nomination from the student's Art Teacher.
  - Six slides of the student's art work.
- The awardee is to present his/her artwork in the form of a display during the conference.

### **Higher Education Individual Student Achievement Award**

This award recognizes excellence in student involvement at the College/University level. To be eligible students must be active members of FAEA. The student must be enrolled as a college/university student in Florida at the time the award is presented, in October, at the FAEA Conference.

#### **Criteria**

- Have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Nominated by a professor in their college or university Art Education program.

- Demonstrate technical proficiency in their knowledge of the visual arts.
- Be highly enthusiastic about art education.
- Provide evidence of excellence in student teaching experiences.
- Provide evidence of involvement in community service.

### **New Professional Award**

This award recognize excellences in achievement by new art educators within the PreK-12 level within their first three years of teaching. This award is for candidates who are members in good standing of FAEA. If the candidate is a member of NAEA, the President will submit their name to NAEA. Candidates must be able to meet all the following criteria.

#### **Criteria**

- Active in local and state art teacher association.
- Outstanding promotion and advocacy of schools arts program.
- Active participation in student art exhibitions.

### **Special Needs Award**

The award is for a FAEA member that has brought distinction to Special Needs in art education by adapting instructional opportunities for students with a varying range of learning, emotional, and/or physical exceptionalities. This professional believes and supports the development and implementation of inclusive visual arts practices our field.

#### **Criteria**

- Current FAEA Member
- Demonstrated support of special needs in art education