



South Shore Arts &
Northwest Indiana Symphony Orchestra

ART & MUSIC EDUCATOR AWARD



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The Award

South Shore Arts and the Northwest Indiana Symphony Orchestra are excited to present the Art & Music Educator Award for excellence in art and music education. This award is presented annually to recognize an outstanding art and music educator who both advocates for the success of students and champions art and music education. The recipients receive a commemorative award and will be publicly recognized at a select South Shore Arts and Northwest Indiana Symphony event.

Qualifications

- Nominees should be Art or Music Educators in the Northwest Indiana region who:
- Make a lasting difference in the lives of students of all abilities and backgrounds
- Routinely go "above and beyond the call of duty by extending efforts beyond the classroom
- Make a significant impact on their community through art or music education
- Instill a life-long appreciation of art or music in their students
- Inspire students to reach appropriately high levels of artistic or musical understanding and ability
- Demonstrate longevity in the field of art or music education by their many years of work
- Display leadership, passion, dedication and innovation within the artistic or musical classroom
- Teach art or music classes, band or orchestra in a public or private school

The Northwest Indiana region is designated as the counties of **Lake, Porter, LaPorte, Jasper, Newton or Starke Counties.**

Nominations

The recipient may be nominated by a colleague, associate, current or former student, acquaintance, or friend. Nominations include the following parts:

- Letter of Intent (maximum 500 words) explaining why the nominee is an outstanding music educator and should be considered to receive this award
- Application Form
- Minimum of one (1) letter of support/recommendation from another individual who is able to attest on how the nominee embodies the specific qualifications stated above.

Nominees

In accepting a nomination for the award, the educator will need to submit a resume/C.V. detailing his/her past and current accomplishments in music education and a short statement (500 words or less) explaining why music education is important to his/her life.

Other Important Information

- Nominations are due by **March 9, 2018**
- Partially completed nominations will not be accepted.
- Nominators may nominate up to two (2) educators per year

Award Review Panel

The award review panel will consist of South Shore Arts and Northwest Indiana Symphony Orchestra Education Committee and staff members

Selection

The award will be given to the individuals that the Award Review Panel has deemed as an *outstanding art or music educator*, who has gone *above and beyond* in their educational programs.

- Award recipients cannot be considered for this award in subsequent years.
- The Award Review Panel reserves the right to withhold a nomination if no applicant meets the desired criteria.

Application Form Pt. I

Nominee Information

Name _____

Phone (____)_____ Email _____

Current Position _____ Grade Level(s) Taught _____

Class(es) Taught _____

School Info

Name of School _____

Address _____

Phone Number (____)_____

Name of Principal/Supervisor: _____

Phone (____)_____

Email _____

Nominator Information

Name _____

Phone (____)_____

Email _____

Title/Position _____

Relationship to Nominee _____

Does the nominee know that you are nominating them for this award?

Yes_____ No_____

Application Form Pt. II

Letter of Intent

In 500 words or less, please explain why the nominee is an outstanding music educator and should be considered to receive this award

Letters of Recommendation

As the **nominator** it is your responsibility to procure at least one (1) letter of recommendation from another individual who is able to attest on how the nominee has been an outstanding music educator.

Application Checklist

- ▶ Read application guidelines
- ▶ Application Form
- ▶ Letter of Intent
- ▶ Letter of Recommendation

Submit

Nominations are due by **March 16, 2018**.

Please submit your nomination by **email** to:

Education@NISOrchestra.org
Subject: Educator Award Nomination

Or by **mail** to:

Northwest Indiana Symphony Orchestra
Attn: Director of Education
1040 Ridge Road / Munster, IN 46321

- You will receive a confirmation email when it has been received.
- If the nominee accepts the nomination, the Director of Education will notify you on how to proceed.

Award Contact Information

South Shore Arts / Northwest Indiana Symphony Orchestra
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Email education@nisorchestra.org

Phone 219/836.1839 x 101

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