

<u>Call for Entries opens:</u>
1 November 2004

<u>Deadline:</u> 1 March 2005

Entry fee: US \$40

# Submission guidelines:

Award entries must be submitted via the online submission system. Guidelines and instructions are available at www.nursingsociety.org/programs

# Judging:

Qualified judging panels representing strong talent and expertise are appointed.

# Notification:

Nominees and recipients will be notified of the judges' decision by 1 July 2005.

#### Presentation:

All awards will be presented at the Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International 38<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana on 12-16 November 2005.

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# **Founders Awards**

# **Ethel Palmer Clarke Award for Excellence in Chapter Programming**

# **PURPOSE**

The Founders Awards offer homage to the six founding nurses of the society and the director of nursing at Indiana University for their insights in 1922 that advanced scholarship, leadership, research, and practice. The awards recognize extraordinary excellence.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

All chapters of the society are eligible for the Ethel Palmer Clarke Award for Excellence in Chapter Programming.

# **NOMINATIONS**

Chapters should place their own name in nomination for the Ethel Palmer Clarke Award for Excellence in Chapter Programming.

#### **CRITERIA**

- Implements creative chapter activities that achieve the purpose of Sigma Theta Tau
  - recognizes superior achievement in scholarship, research, practice, and education
  - o recognizes the development of leadership qualities
  - o fosters high professional standards
  - o encourages creative work in chapter
  - o strengthens commitment to the ideals and purposes of the profession
- Stimulates the members and the public to contribute to scholarship in nursing education, practice, and/or research
  - encourages contributions to designated chapter funds for scholarship and research
  - o sponsors programs that promote scholarship and research
- Involves a significant number of members in chapter activities
  - o submits documentation of members' participation
  - o provides for a range of activities that promote involvement of members
    - moderator/speaker/participant panels, seminars, conferences, workshops
    - committee chairperson/member
    - liaison with university, the nursing community, and/or the public
  - o promotes participation through activities
    - questionnaires/surveys
    - letters to the editor of chapter newsletter
    - articles for chapter newsletter
  - o maintains high percentage of active membership

### SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A complete nomination consists of:

- Online entry form and payment
- Supporting narrative that speaks to the category nominated and related criteria (no page limitation)
- Letters from national and international leaders internal and external to nursing (10 letters total will be adequate)

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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