

The Arc of Wake County Awards Nomination Instructions & Form



The Arc of Wake County is seeking nominations for this year's awards. If you know an individual or group that meets the criteria in the following categories, we would like the opportunity to recognize them. Nominate a person or group for their outstanding service to the DD community by completing the nomination form which can be found at www.arcwake.org/downloads.html.

The Awards Committee will review all nominations and make its selections on the information provided on the nomination form. Be sure to include all of the information requested. You may include supplemental material such as newspaper articles, etc, but it is not required. Both the nominator and award recipient will be notified.

All nominations must be received at The Arc office by 5 PM on Friday, April 1, 2011. If you need help completing your nomination or have any questions, please call 832-2660.

AWARD CATEGORIES & CRITERIA

NEW THIS YEAR

*****SELF-ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR** – a self-advocate who lives in Wake County who has shown determination and self-advocacy skills in his/her community, work place, school, etc.

*****STUDENT OF THE YEAR** – a student with developmental and or intellectual disabilities in Wake County (private or public school) who exemplifies what it means to be a hard worker, with determination and leadership qualities in their school and community.

COMMUNITY PARTNER(S) OF THE YEAR – a business or organization that has directly contributed to the success of The Arc of Wake County and the improvement of its services.

SIBLING OF THE YEAR – the sibling of a person with developmental disabilities whose actions and efforts at home and in the community have made a positive impact on their sibling and family.

DIRECT CARE PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR – an award for extraordinary commitment by an individual employed in Wake County to provide direct support, service, or care to a person/people with developmental disabilities while fostering growth, independence, community inclusion and dignity.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD – an individual or organization that has contributed, in a distinguished manner, to the promotion of rights of and/or services to Wake County citizens with developmental disabilities.

EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR – a Wake County employer with an exceptional record of providing inclusive competitive employment opportunities for people with developmental disabilities.

LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR – a North Carolina State Senator or Representative from Wake County whose contributions of time and service have had statewide impact on the quality of life, rights of, and/or services to citizens with developmental disabilities.

PARENT VOLUNTEER(S) OF THE YEAR – an individual or couple who are members of The Arc of Wake County, have/had a child with developmental disabilities, and whose volunteer efforts have improved the welfare of persons with developmental disabilities.

PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR – an individual, employed in Wake County in community developmental disabilities services or supports, who has demonstrated sensitivity and the ability to provide outstanding support which results in increased independence for people with developmental disabilities.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR – A Wake County classroom teacher (special or general education) who has demonstrated excellence in teaching students with developmental disabilities.

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR – a volunteer who has given generously of his/her time and talent to benefit people with developmental disabilities in Wake County, in keeping with the mission of The Arc.

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Category: _____

Nominee's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone (H): _____ (W): _____

Email: _____

Why does this person/organization deserves this award _____

Please check the box next to any of the below that apply:

Endorsement letters attached Yes No

Awards and commendations attached Yes No

Newspaper clippings, articles, etc. attached Yes No

Other attachments Yes No

The Arc of Wake County cannot be responsible to return letters, newspaper articles, etc. that are submitted.

Please send copies if necessary.

Nominator: _____

Email _____

Phone (Day) _____

Signature _____ Date _____

(Mail or Fax to The Arc of Wake County (see address or fax number on the first page of this form.)