

GMEA

Recognition and Awards Program

Deadline: This form along with a brief summary of the nominee's qualifications should be sent to the GMEA office by **November 1st**. (218 Willis Drive, Stockbridge, GA 30281 or to brandie@gmea.org)

The GMEA Recognition and Awards Program is a comprehensive effort to recognize excellence in achievement by members and those whom GMEA serves. Purposes of the program are to:

- Focus attention on exemplary achievements in music education in Georgia.
- Increase awareness of the quality of the diverse activities of music education in our state.
- Foster professional and public recognition of the commitment and achievement of music educators and students.

Category Selection:

- **Music Educator of the Year**
Eligibility: Active members of GMEA
Purpose: To recognize outstanding merit in teaching and/or administration by music educators whose service to students, the community and the profession is exemplary.
- **Administrative Leadership**
Eligibility: Active, professional Georgia administrators
Purpose: To recognize significant leadership by system or school level administrators in support of music education. Ongoing encouragement and support for music education for all students merits consideration for this award.
- **Distinguished Career Award**
Eligibility: Active or retired members of GMEA
Purpose: To recognize significant career achievement by individuals who have provided outstanding contributions to education through music.
- **GMEA Friend of Music Education Award**
Persons who are not included in the categories above who have significantly contributed to the furtherance of music education in Georgia are eligible for this award. This would include, but not be limited to, local and state government officials, officers of other educational associations, and business and community leaders.
- **GMEA Volunteer of the Year Award**
GMEA members who have served as organizers and district and state officers consistently over a long period of time will be eligible for this award. District nominations are essential since district leaders and officers are in the best position to identify those members who have gone above and beyond in their volunteer work for the association. In addition to being recognized at the conference and having their names placed on the office plaque, the winner of this award will receive complimentary registration and a complimentary hotel room for Thursday and Friday nights at the In Service conference in the year following their award.

Award for which you are nominating: _____

Nominee: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Length of Service (current position): _____

Current Position (or position before retirement): _____

Institution/System: _____

Submitted By: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Office Phone: _____

Signature: _____