

ACMP Annual Student Awards Guidelines

We are now accepting nominations online for the Annual Student Awards of the Association of Church Musicians in Philadelphia. This nomination is a two-step process, including the nomination of the student from their music director, and the personal statement submitted by the nominated student. **The links for each form are below.** The deadline is February 19, 2021.

Each year the Association of Church Musicians in Philadelphia (ACMP) presents awards to outstanding high school seniors and 8th graders for their service to their parish Music Ministry program. Our goal is to foster a love of liturgy and music as well as encourage active and enthusiastic participation among our youth.

The awards are in two groupings:

- SERVICE AWARD – to recognize outstanding participation in your parish Music Ministry program in any capacity; the outstanding student is highly engaged, dedicated, teaches and leads others, and embodies a spirit of leadership and prayer that inspires others
- ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD - to recognize the talent of an excellent student musician who inspires prayerful worship through carefully prepared participation; awarded in two categories – VOCAL and INSTRUMENTAL – to encourage the student's continued musical study
- Five 12th graders and five 8th graders will receive these awards with cash prizes of \$200 and \$100, respectively
- All nominated students will be recognized at the awards ceremony (in person or virtual, date to follow)

As in previous years, please observe the following guidelines:

1. No more than three students may be nominated from a single parish
2. The nominees should participate in their parish liturgies (not school only)
3. Only current members of ACMP may nominate students. To inquire your membership status, contact our Membership Administrator Maria Innocenti (215-385-0911 or musicmarra@yahoo.com). You can also renew or start your membership online here: <http://bit.ly/acmp-membership>

Nomination Process and Links:

1. To nominate a student, visit <http://bit.ly/2021-nominate-student> - complete one form for each student (you will receive an email confirmation for each nomination)
2. Please tell your student they have been nominated, and please make sure they submit their **personal statement** (necessary for the nomination) <http://bit.ly/2021-student-response>
3. The deadline for all nominations and student statements is February 19, 2021

These links are also on ACMPs Facebook page.

All submissions will be judged anonymously by an impartial committee. Music directors will be notified late-February when the awards have been decided. Please contact Jackie Dunleavy, Committee Chair, with any questions at jackiedunleavysoprano@gmail.com. Thank you for your support and consideration.