ASSOCIATION OF CONSULTING ENGINEERING COMPANIES ONTARIO

ACEC-ONTARIO VOLUNTEER AWARDS PROGRAM

The inaugural ACEC-Ontario Volunteer Awards program celebrates member employees who have demonstrated excellence in leadership and positively impacted the association, industry and community through their volunteerism.

ACEC-Ontario Volunteer Awards program

ACEC-Ontario is reliant on the work of member volunteers to progress in its strategic objectives. Without volunteers, the work of the association would not be possible. The ACEC-Ontario Volunteer Awards recognizes and celebrates the individuals who work to support the association's strategic mission and demonstrate the value of the engineering community through volunteering.

This program serves to highlight the exemplary work ethic, values and contributions that ACEC-Ontario encourages all volunteers to strive to achieve. The awards program provides volunteers with a respectable professional achievement to formally mark their efforts, and it provides member companies with an opportunity to proudly recognize the efforts of their employees as leaders in the consulting engineering industry.

RECOGNITION

Each winner will be recognized with an award at the 2022 ACEC-Ontario Annual General Meeting. Winners will also be compensated for travel expenses and ticket fees for the Engineering Means Business Forum. Both the AGM and Engineering Means Business Forum are held on the same date and location – Tuesday September 13th, 2022, at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel in Toronto, ON. Winners will be notified in advance of the event to properly compensate expenses.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Wednesday, June 1, 2022** – nominations period opens
- **Friday, July 8, 2022** – nominations period closes
- **Monday, August 8** – **Friday, August 12, 2022** – winners notified
- **Tuesday, September 13, 2022** – Engineering Means Business Forum, AGM & Volunteer Awards Program

NOMINATIONS SUMMARY

In addition to the eligibility criteria noted below for each award, the nominees/ nominators must meet the following requirements:

- Self-nominations are not eligible
- Post-humous nominations are not eligible
- Group nominations are not eligible
- Nominee's must not have been paid for their work
- Nominee's activities must have been conducted within their role as an ACEC-Ontario volunteer
- Nominee's activities must be non-partisan in nature
- Nominee's must be employed by an ACEC-Ontario member company
- We welcome nominations from anyone who has worked with and been impacted by the efforts of ACEC-Ontario volunteers

To submit a nomination click here for the nomination form.
If you have further questions about the Awards Program contact:
Communications@ACECOntario.ca

Award Categories

Pinnacle Award

Recognizes one ACEC-Ontario volunteer for their exceptional leadership in their volunteer role at ACEC-Ontario.

Focus: Excellence in leadership, fostering engagement.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Current ACEC-Ontario volunteer
- Eligible nominees must be one of the following: an Officer or Director on ACEC- Ontario's Board of Directors, a Committee or Network Chair or Co-Chair, a member of an ACEC-Ontario Chapter Executive.

Distinguished Service Award

Recognizing an individual who has made distinguished and enduring contributions to the association for 10+ years.

Focus: Longstanding commitment & sustained impact.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Current, or previous, ACEC-Ontario volunteer
- Eligible candidates must have acted in a volunteer capacity with ACEC-Ontario for 10 years
- Volunteer engagement activities do not have to be conducted for 10 consecutive years. Individuals who have taken a leave of absence (for any reason) but have volunteered for a total of 10 combined years are eligible.

Emerging Leader Award

Recognizes one ACEC-Ontario young professional volunteer who, within the first five years of volunteering with ACEC-Ontario, has demonstrated remarkable promise as a future leader and community-builder in the consulting engineering sector.

Focus: Young professional, emerging leaders and building community.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Current ACEC-Ontario volunteer
- Must be a Young Professional at the time of nomination (40 years of age or less)
- Must have been volunteering with ACEC-Ontario for no more than 5 years

ACEC-Ontario Chair's Award

To a deserving ACEC-Ontario member volunteer who has made a significant contribution to the association over the course of the ACEC-Ontario outgoing Board of Director Chair's term as Chair and/or Chair-Elect.

The winner is selected by the outgoing Chair of the ACEC-Ontario Board of Directors.

Focus: Volunteer impact.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Current, or previous, ACEC-Ontario volunteer
- Volunteer activities must have occurred during the time which the outgoing Chair has served the association as either Chair or Chair-Elect
- ACEC-Ontario volunteers employed by the outgoing ACEC-Ontario Chair's firm are ineligible
- All nominees are eligible for the Chair's Award by virtue of being nominated for the Pinnacle, Emerging Leader, or Distinguished Service Award, providing they do not work for the outgoing Chair's firm.
- All ACEC-Ontario volunteers during the outgoing Chair's term are eligible, regardless of whether they have been nominated for another award, providing they do not work for the outgoing Chair's firm.

AWARD ASSESSMENT CRITERIA OVERVIEW

PINNACLE AWARD

» Nominees for the above-named award are assessed based on the following criteria:
» Alignment with ACEC-Ontario core values (10 points)
  - ACEC-Ontario values are integrity, trust, collaboration, diversity, and respect.
» Alignment with award theme (12 points)
  - The Pinnacle Award theme is leadership and fostering engagement.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

» Nominees for the above-named award are assessed based on the following criteria:
» Alignment with ACEC-Ontario core values (10 points)
  - ACEC-Ontario values are integrity, trust, collaboration, diversity, and respect.
» Alignment with award theme (12 points)
  - The Distinguished Service Award theme is length of service and impact.

EMERGING LEADER AWARD

» Nominees for the above-named award are assessed based on the following criteria:
» Alignment with ACEC-Ontario core values (10 points)
  - ACEC-Ontario values are integrity, trust, collaboration, diversity, and respect.
» Alignment with award theme (12 points)
  - The Emerging Leader Award theme is leadership and building community.

CHAIR'S AWARD

The Chair's award recipient is selected by the outgoing Chair of the Board of Directors. The outgoing Chair selects an individual who aligns with ACEC-Ontario's core values, has had clear impact and created positive change for the association during the term of the outgoing Chair acting as Chair-Elect or Chair of the Board of Directors. All volunteers who have been actively engaged during the duration of the Chair's term as Chair-Elect and Chair are eligible. Nomination submissions are not required for this award. Candidates are not scored for this award, unless the outgoing Chair chooses to do so as part of their deliberations.

Nominee's that would like to review the awards assessment rubric may click here for full judging criteria or contact **Communications@ACECOntario.ca.**