

YOUNG ENGINEER IN ASHRAE (YEA) INDIVIDUAL AWARD

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Young Engineer in ASHRAE (YEA) Award of Individual Excellence is to grant personal honors annually to YEA member(s) for his/her superior efforts during the preceding Society year in the promotion of the YEA Institute and representation of the 35 and under demographic of ASHRAE. The award will serve to reward individuals for their exceptional participation in YEA activities at the chapter, regional and/or society level(s) and to bring recognition to the various benefits/programs made available through the YEA Committee and YEA Institute. While many ASHRAE awards currently distinguish our veteran members for years of service and contributions to our industry, the YEA Award of Individual Excellence will provide an opportunity to recognize the newest members of our Society who are contributing strongly to our membership and the growth of ASHRAE through active involvement, innovative thinking, and energetic endorsement of our membership.

2. PRESENTATION

The YEA Award of Individual Excellence will be awarded to one, two or three individuals annually, but may be omitted if a suitable candidate is not identified.

During the ASHRAE Annual Meeting, the YEA Award of Individual Excellence is presented at the YEA Hospitality Suite.

3. ELIGIBILITY

The award is open to ASHRAE voting and corresponding YEA members whom demonstrate behaviors as outlined in Section 7 below. Past recipients of the award and current Society YEA Committee members are not eligible.

4. NOMINATION

A nomination for the YEA Individual Award of Excellence is made by a DRC, YRC or Society YEA Committee member by completing a nomination form that outlines the special contribution that the nominee made to the YEA program during the preceding Society year.

5. JUDGING

The YEA Executive Committee and ASHRAE Staff Liaison review all nominations received and qualify the nominees prior to passing the nomination along to the Honors and Awards Committee. The YEA Committee shall make recommendation(s) to the Honors and Awards Committee prior to the Winter Meeting. The recommended candidate shall be chosen from all nominations that meet eligibility requirements as outlined under Section 7 Criteria for Selecting Recipients and approved by the YEA Committee.

6. FUNDING

The award plaque will be donated by the YEA Committee. The award will consist of an engraved plaque with wooden frame (suitable for hanging) with the recipient's name etched into the center of the plaque, the year of service printed on the plaque face, and the current ASHRAE and/or YEA logo represented clearly on the plaque.

7. ELIGIBILITY POINT REQUIREMENTS

This award is given on the basis of service during the preceding Society year, and nominated individuals should exemplify characteristics of YEA leadership and meet criteria as follows:

- a. Serve ASHRAE by holding an assigned/designated position in ASHRAE, at minimum at the chapter level (Board of Governors, chapter officer, chapter chair position, regional officer, etc.) throughout the duration of ASHRAE Society Year
- b. Be in good standing (current) on ASHRAE membership dues
- c. Assisted in the planning/organization of at least two (2) YEA oriented activities during the ASHRAE Society Year
- d. Participated in a minimum of four (4) YEA oriented activities during the ASHRAE Society Year (includes joint functions with Student Activities and other professional organizations)
- e. Personally promoted YEA/The YEA Institute by educating membership on programs/resources available through YEA (in written or spoken verse)
- f. Contributed directly to the overall growth and development of the YEA program (innovative new ideas for chapter level activities, recruitment of new YEA membership, encouragement of YEA members to participate at greater level, development of YEA programs, publications regarding YEA, etc.)