



2022 State Leader of the Year Award

NOMINATION FORM

Presented annually at the Opticians Association of America's State Leadership Conference, the award represents the highest honor the association can bestow upon an individual.

Guidelines for Nominations:

- Nominee must meet all criteria;
- Nominate no more than two candidates;
- Nominee is not required to be from your state.

Nomination Deadline

December 31, 2021

Criteria for Nominations:

1. Involved in state leadership, past or present;
2. Attended at least two OAA State Leadership Conferences;
3. Promoted the advancement of opticianry in his/her own state or other state(s);
4. Must be ABO, NCLE certified, or State Licensed;
5. Must be a member of a state association for a minimum of five consecutive years.

Please complete the following information for each candidate you are nominating and attach a brief synopsis of why this candidate should be named State Leader of the Year for 2022.

Nominee: _____ State: _____

Address: _____

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Address: _____

Your Name: _____ State: _____

☐ I have attached a written justification for the nominees listed above.

Return form to:

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YEAR	STATE LEADER OF THE YEAR
1994	Tom Hicks, Ohio
1995	Curt Duff, Kentucky
1996	Diane Krezminsky, Illinois
1997	Beverly Heishman, Pennsylvania
1998	Thomas Zizka, Michigan
1999	Blair C. Wong, Massachusetts
2000	Judy Canty, Virginia
2001	Thomas Blair, Jr., Georgia
2002	Jim Slightom , Kansas
2003	Dan W. Sullivan, Massachusetts
2004	Lonnie Burrow, Arkansas
2005	Jerry Himes, Arkansas
2006	Mary Szczerbiak, North Carolina
2007	Shirley Earley, Ohio
2008	Byron Brentlinger, Kentucky
2009	Mark Cloer, Mississippi
2010	Pat Kuhl, Ohio
2011	Tom Barracato, Ohio
2012	Diane Charles, Washington
2013	Roxanne Harless, Michigan
2014	Donna Hatch, Washington
2015	Denyse Gauthier, New Hampshire
2016	Dibby Bartlett, Massachusetts
2017	Sue Shire, Michigan
2018	Gary Broyles, Michigan
2019	Russ Fritz, Jr, Connecticut
2020	Johnna Dukes, Iowa