

# Grand Master's Award for Mentorship Excellence

The Grand Master's Award for Mentorship Excellence was created by the Grand Lodge of New York Masonic Youth Committee to recognize truly outstanding service to our Masonic youth by adult volunteer leaders. The Grand Lodge values the Masonic youth programs and wishes to recognize exemplary volunteer leaders who help to promote awareness of the Grand Lodge of New York's extensive support and commitment to Rainbow, Triangle, and DeMolay

The Award for Mentorship Excellence may be awarded either via nomination or direct action by the Grand Master.

**Nomination Process:** A person may be nominated for this award through the following process:

A nomination form is completed and transmitted to the Masonic Youth Committee of the Grand Lodge of New York by January 31.

A nominee for the Grand Master's Award for Mentorship Excellence must:

- (A) Have provided a minimum of **five** years of service to one of the three Masonic Youth Organizations. (Need not be continuous)
- (B) Be an adult volunteer in good standing at the time of the nomination.
- (C) Have rendered exceptional service and mentorship on behalf of youth
- (D) Have a total of five letters of support:
  - (i) Nomination not to exceed 500 words
  - (ii) Secunder letter not to exceed 500 words
  - (iii) A letter of support from an active member of the youth group
  - (iv) A letter from a local level adult volunteer
  - (v) A letter from the state level leadership, and one from a masonic organization.
- (E) The Masonic Youth Committee will forward their recommendation to the Grand Master for his action. The decision to award it shall be at his sole discretion.

## **Direct Action by the Grand Master:**

The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New York may award The Grand Master's Award for Mentorship Excellence to anyone who he feels is worthy.

**IMPORTANT:** It is intended that all nominations be submitted in secret. Since only two awards are granted per youth group per year, most nominees will NOT receive this award, and thus it is expected that those who are submitting the nomination will be sensitive to the feelings of the individual they are championing by holding all information as a closely guarded and important secret. No individual may nominate himself or herself, or request his or her own nomination for the award.

Nominee's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

For which group are is the person being nominated?

Rainbow

Triangle

DeMolay

Nominator's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

### Required Attachments

- A nomination (Not to exceed 500 words)
- A seconder (not to exceed 500 words)
- One from an active member of the youth group. (Not to exceed 500 words)
- One from a local youth group adult leader. (Not to exceed 500 words)
- One from any adult serving in a supervisory capacity over a statewide youth group program (such as a Senior Advisor, Member of the State Advisory Council, (Not to exceed 500 words)
- A biography or resume (500 words or less) of the award candidate, detailing personal, professional, community and fraternal activity.

*Optional:* Up to two additional testimonial letters may be submitted relating to outside religious, civic or community activities.

Nominations that are not granted will be returned to the recommenders, following the announcement of the current year's selection, with encouragement to re-submit the nomination with additional information the following year.

### **SUBMISSION:**

Submit the complete nomination, with all attachments, directly to the **Grand Lodge Masonic Youth Committee**.  
**3604 Anita Ln Wantagh, NY 11793-2602** The nomination deadline is **January 31st of each calendar year.**