



The Arc of Story County Annual Awards' Nomination Criteria

The Arc of Story County will present its 2019 awards at ***Viva la Arc Casino Night, February 23.*** Nominations need to be received by **February 11th** and submitted to The Arc Awards' Committee Chair, either electronically or via US mail:

- susanteas@gmail.com or
- Susan Teas, 2003 Polk Drive, Ames, IA 50010

ADMINISTRATOR or PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR - to recognize the service of an individual who has demonstrated outstanding achievements and made significant contributions. Through his or her creation, supervision, and/or implementation of exemplary programs, persons with developmental disabilities have received quality and enriched supports in their living, learning, and working environments.

BUSINESS PERSON OF THE YEAR - to recognize an employer, co-worker, or supervisor who has made significant contributions to the successful employment of a person(s) with developmental disabilities. A nominee has demonstrated an exemplary philosophy of supporting employment opportunities through recruiting, training, accommodating, and/or advancing a person(s) with disabilities.

SELF-ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR - to recognize a person with developmental disabilities who has been a role model and mentor, a respected and active member of society, and an inspiration to others. Through his or her talents and abilities, extraordinary and meritorious success has been evident.

SUPER SIBLING OF THE YEAR - to recognize a brother or sister who has demonstrated a positive attitude that enhances the quality of life for a sibling with developmental disabilities. A Super Sibling serves as a role model and demonstrates ongoing commitment, care, and unconditional love.

TEACHER or EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR - to recognize the service of an individual who has substantially contributed to the education, growth, and development of person(s) with developmental disabilities. Through skill, integrity, knowledge, patience, and care, he or she has made a significant and lasting impact.

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR - to recognize the service of a volunteer who has substantially contributed integrity and dedication in support of persons with developmental disabilities. His or her generous contributions of time and talents have enhanced, either directly or indirectly, the lives of persons with developmental disabilities.

REQUIRED AWARD NOMINATION INFORMATION

****Award Category** _____

Nominee's Name & Mailing Address: _____
Phone Number(s): _____
E-mail Address: _____

Nominator's Name & Mailing Address: _____
Phone Number(s): _____
E-mail Address: _____

1. Submit a **3 to 5 paragraph summary** stating **why** this nominee should be considered.
2. Submit **helpful but optional** information such as:
 - Pictures
 - Newspaper articles
 - Personal success stories – honors and awards
 - Details of work history such as a resume
 - A summary of extracurricular activities
 - Helpful personal information related to family and friends

2015 Award Winners:	2016 Award Winners:	2017 Award Winners:	2018 Award Winners:
Fellows Elementary School – Educator	Nikki Mesenbrink – Direct Support	Logi Loger - Sibling	Tonya Van Dam - Educator
Martina Luppen – Professional	Chelsea Apland – Professional	Marianne Russell – Self Advocate	Hannah Gustafson - Support
Michael Ross – Super Sibling	Skip Benton – Volunteer	Cami McColley - Volunteer	Stephanie McMillan - Volunteer
Herb Harmison – Volunteer	Emily Fecht – Professional	Anna Enabnit – Direct Support Prof.	Abraham - Professional
		Brian Ouverson – Direct Support Prof.	

If additional information or clarification is needed, contact either:

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Susan Teas, Board Past President, susanteas@gmail.com; 450-9226 (C)