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Eisner Lifetime Achievement Award

A Professional Award established in perpetuity by Dr. Elliot W. Eisner, Lee Jacks Professor of Education and Art, School of Education, Stanford University

To recognize individuals in the field of art education who have made a sustained and significant contribution to the field through their work as a teacher, lecturer, or artist. The award is not limited to individuals who work in the field of higher education. It includes those who work in preschool, primary school, secondary school, and colleges and universities. It is not restricted with respect to the level of work or the type of work that individuals may undertake during the course of their professional lives but seeks to recognize individuals who have made notable contributions to the field of visual arts education through a lifetime of work.

Purpose

The Eisner Lifetime Achievement Award is established to recognize individuals in art education whose career contributions have benefited the field. The Award is intended to honor the professional achievements of those who have advanced the cause of art education in various ways.

These might include, for example, contributing to the knowledge and understanding of the processes of artistic growth and development; furthering the theory and practice of teaching and learning about art; promoting the role and effectiveness of art education in schools; and, developing accountability systems for assessing performance in art. This is not an exhaustive list but is intended to indicate the types of professional achievements and contributions deserving of career recognition.

The emphasis of the Award is on aggregate contribution, not a single or isolated episode.

The Award

The Eisner Lifetime Achievement Award consists of three parts: (1) A cash award; (2) A reception or other event on the occasion of which the award winner shall make an acceptance lecture; and, (3) Presentation to the award winner of a suitable plaque or other commemorative item to mark the occasion. There are no required uses for the stipend; it is entirely the choice of the award winner as to how the prize is to be used. Any or all taxes on The Award are the responsibility of the winner.

Eligibility: Open to any individual whose career contributions have made a sustained and significant contribution to the field of visual arts education through their work. The Award should be given to an individual and not to an organization, group, or institution. However, the Directors, in their discretion, may decide to split the Award if that seems appropriate (i.e., a husband and wife professional team, or co-authors). There is no minimum age or years of service in the field to qualify for nomination for the Award. The winner need not be a member of NAEA nor necessarily be professionally recognized as an art educator. No single individual may receive the Award more than one time.

Submit to NAEA National Office: A Nomination Form, Standardized Vita Form, Resume, cover letter of nomination explaining how the nominee fulfills the purpose of the award, two letters supporting nomination, and a photograph digitally (if submitting via e-mail) or on disk if submitting via hard copy.