



# ***Award for Excellence in Music Education***

*Presented by the Madison Symphony Orchestra & Ward-Brodt Music*

## **NOMINATION FORM**

The ***Award for Excellence in Music Education*** is presented annually to celebrate an outstanding music educator who advocates for student achievement and champions in-school music education. Nominees for this award must display leadership, passion, dedication and innovation within the musical classroom, positively affecting the lives of his/her students and the community at large.

The award is open to current K-12 public or private school teachers of band, choir, orchestra or general music classes who teach within a 75 mile radius of Madison, WI.

The ***Award for Excellence in Music Education*** recipient will receive a \$500 cash prize and commemorative plaque which will be presented to the recipient during a ceremony at his/her school. This award has been generously underwritten by Ward-Brodt Music of Madison, WI.

For more information: <http://madisonsymphony.org/award>

### **EDUCATOR INFORMATION** (Self-nominations will not be accepted.)

Educator Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Educator School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Educator School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Educator School City: \_\_\_\_\_ Educator School Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Grade level(s) taught: \_\_\_\_\_

Class(es) taught: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Years in Position: \_\_\_\_\_

School Principal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Principal Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

School Principal Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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**NOMINATOR INFORMATION**

Nominator Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Title/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator City: \_\_\_\_\_ Nominator Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Relationship to the Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the nominee know that you are nominating them for this award? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

**NOMINATION**

In 500 words or less, tell us why your nominee is an outstanding music educator and is deserving of this recognition.

As the nominator **YOU** will also need to procure 2 letters of support/recommendation from other individuals who are able to attest to how the nominee embodies the specific characteristics stated in the award description.

After receiving your completed nomination form, letter of support and the two additional letters of support, the MSO will contact the teacher regarding their nomination. If the teacher accepts the nomination, the MSO will let them know how to proceed with the application process.

**OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

- ✓ Nominations are **DUE** by **January 13, 2017**
- ✓ Nominations will **NOT** be considered unless the nomination form is filled out completely and all requested materials have been submitted
- ✓ Nominators **MAY** nominate more than one educator at a time
- ✓ **MAIL** completed nomination forms to:  
Kathryn B. Schwarzmann, Director of Education & Community Engagement  
Madison Symphony Orchestra  
222 W. Washington Avenue, Suite 460  
Madison, WI 53703-2744
- ✓ **QUESTIONS?** Please call Kathryn Schwarzmann at: 608-260-8680 x225

\* The award review panel will include representation from: public and private school administration; elementary, middle and high school teachers; university staff; community members and one MSO representative.

\*\* Award recipients cannot be considered for nomination in subsequent years.