



Mildred Adams Chapter Heritage Award

PURPOSE

The award is named in honor of the late Dr. Mildred Adams, who was a member of the Alpha Chapter at Indiana University. Dr. Adams served as the first national archivist of Sigma Theta Tau. She was a visionary whose actions have allowed the society to retain and utilize significant historical data.

It is fitting that the Mildred Adams Chapter Heritage Award honors one or more chapters with an outstanding, comprehensive collection of historical materials documenting chapter history, association with the international organization, and advancement of the mission of the Honor Society of Nursing.

ELIGIBILITY

- All active chapters of the Honor Society of Nursing are eligible for this award and encouraged to apply.
- A chapter that wins the international award is ineligible to re-apply for at least six-years following the receipt of the award.
- Non-winning entries from one biennium are eligible for re-nomination in subsequent years.
- Any active chapter may nominate itself for the award.
- Size of a chapter, age of a chapter, and quantity of materials in a chapter's collection will not affect the determination of an award winner.

CRITERIA

Outstanding historical collection created through involvement of chapter leaders and members achieving the following:

- Archival items serve the chapter and members; reflect intellectual and scholarly pursuits; are valuable, useful, and further the mission and purpose of the society.
- Collection includes maintenance system for selecting, assembling, and updating chapter history and other materials in a timely manner following archival principles. Organization facilitates access and retrieval. (See guidelines online: www.nursingsociety.org/chapters/chp_guide_archive.pdf)
- Collection reflects creative documentation including a variety of print and non-print historical materials such as interviews with chapter leaders.
- Historical collections are made available to chapter members utilizing innovative strategies for presenting and accessing archival materials or inventory (i.e., Internet retrieval, live video, Web site interviews, photographs, and bio-sketches of chapter leaders, etc.).
- Archival preservation principles are used to maintain the integrity and security of the collection.

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Call for Entries opens:
1 November 2004

Deadline:
1 March 2005

Entry fee:
US \$40

Submission guidelines:
Award entries must be submitted via the online submission system. Guidelines and instructions are available at www.nursingsociety.org/programs

Judging:
Qualified judging panels representing strong talent and expertise are appointed.

Notification:
Nominees and recipients will be notified of the judges' decision by 1 July 2005.

Presentation:
All awards will be presented at the Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International 38th Biennial Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana on 12-16 November 2005.

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SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A complete nomination consists of:

- Online entry form and payment
- Summary addressing criteria, specifically how availability and use of chapter's collection has promoted mission and purposes of the honor society.
- Letters of support should be included endorsing use of archival system describing its benefits and usefulness.
- Digital photos of representative, special, or unique items in collection should be included.
- Visual materials and/or video containing descriptive materials about development of archival collection regarding selection, organization, preservation, conservation, and restoration.
- Projects that cannot be uploaded through the online process according to the submission guidelines, such as video cassettes, should:
 - Provide a brief description of the project through the online process
 - Mail the following to headquarters:
 - Five (5) copies of completed online entry form
 - Five (5) copies of project submission

CONTACT INFORMATION

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