



**Call for Entries opens**  
1 November 2006

**Deadline**  
1 March 2007

**Entry fee**  
US \$45

The fee structure for nominations outside the U.S. will be set according to World Bank classifications based on per capita income designated as low, middle and high. The fee for Founders Award nominations will be determined by the location of the primary nominator.

**Submission guidelines**  
Award entries must be submitted via the online submission system. Instructions are available at [www.nursingsociety.org/programs](http://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 2007.

**Presentation**  
All awards will be presented at the honor society's 39<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention in Baltimore, Maryland on 3-7 November 2007.

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# Founders Awards

## Marie Hippensteel Lingeman Award for Excellence in Nursing Practice

### PURPOSE

The Founders Awards offer homage to the six founding nurses of the society and the director of nursing at Indiana University for their insights in 1922 that advanced scholarship, leadership, research, and practice. The awards recognize extraordinary excellence.

### ELIGIBILITY

- All active society members are eligible.
- Current members of the honor society's board of directors or members of the headquarters staff are NOT eligible.

### NOMINATIONS

- Two active members or a chapter of the honor society are required to nominate an individual.

### CRITERIA

- Demonstrates breadth of knowledge in area of clinical nursing practice as recognized by peers, clients, and public (e.g., national or international organizations)
- Develops creative approaches to nursing practice that contribute to quality nursing care
- Possesses clinical expertise
  - problem-solving competence
  - skills related to area of practice
  - innovations that enhance peers' practice in nursing
- Advances the scope and practice of nursing
  - promotes standards of nursing practice
  - contributes to knowledge base
  - advocates implementation and upgrading of standards of practice
- Serves as mentor/preceptor who inspires peers' practice of nursing
- Impacts the practice of nursing through communication
  - with clients and members of the health team
  - of scholarly contributions to nursing literature
  - by sharing clinical competence/abilities with Sigma Theta Tau members and/or the nursing community
  - by explaining the role of nursing in the delivery of health care
- Enhances the image of nursing through nursing practice
- Participates in community affairs, legislation, and organizations that affect nursing practice
- Is involved in other significant areas of practice contributions

### SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A complete nomination consists of:

- Online entry form and payment
- Supporting narrative that speaks to the category nominated and related criteria (no page limitation)
- Letter of acceptance by nominee
- Letters from national and international leaders – internal and external to nursing (10 letters total will be adequate)
- Curriculum vitae (viewed as background resource to supporting data narrative material rather than "primary presentation")

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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