



# Founders Awards

## Marie Hippensteel Lingeman Award for Excellence in Nursing Practice

### PURPOSE

The Founders Awards offer homage to the six founding nurses of STTI 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

Nominee must be an active member of Sigma Theta Tau International. STTI Board of Directors, STTI staff, STTI consultants and contracted staff, and members of the judging committee are not eligible.

### NOMINATIONS

Two active members or a chapter are required to nominate an individual.

### CRITERIA

- Demonstrates breadth of knowledge in area of clinical nursing practice as recognized by peers, clients, and public (i.e., national or international organizations)
- Develops creative approaches 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 International members and/or the nursing community
  - By explaining the role of nursing in the delivery of healthcare
- 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

*Supporting documents required below must address the criteria. A complete online nomination consists of:*

- Online entry form and payment
- Supporting narrative (1-2 pages)
- Three (3) letters of support from national and global leaders – internal and external to nursing
- Nominee's curriculum vitae
- Letter of acceptance

### CONTACT INFORMATION

For further information or to make a contribution to fund this award, please contact Adrians Cleveland at +1.317.634.8171 (International), 888.634.7575 (U.S./Canada toll-free), or email [adrians@stti.org](mailto:adrians@stti.org).

### Call for Entries opens

1 November 2016

### Deadline

1 March 2017

### Entry Fee

US \$50

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.

### Submission Guidelines

Award entries must be submitted via the online submission system. Instructions are available at [www.nursingsociety.org/awards](http://www.nursingsociety.org/awards).

### Judging

Qualified judging panels representing strong talent and expertise are appointed.

### Notification

Award recipients will be notified by email by 1 July 2017.

### Presentation

All awards will be presented at STTI's 44th Biennial Convention Indianapolis, Indiana, USA, 28 October - 1 November 2017.

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