



Outstanding Young Floridians

Dear Community Leader:

Every year JCI Florida/the Florida Junior Chamber (Jaycees) chooses individuals to receive awards for their exceptional service in a specific organization or profession. **This year we will celebrate the 2016 Congress of Outstanding Young Floridians on Saturday, August 6, 2016 at the Crowne Plaza Hollywood Beach Resort in Hollywood, FL.**

We are now accepting nominations for the awards listed below. If you feel a member of your organization exemplifies the stated qualities and is deserving of one of these awards, please complete the attached nomination form and provide all requested attachments. **Please note that each nominee must be able to attend the awards ceremony in order to be considered.** The honoree and one (1) guest will each be provided dinner at the awards ceremony and, if requested, will be provided one (1) hotel night stay at no cost to the recipient.

The submission deadline is July 1, 2016

The Jaycees is an organization for young people ages 18-40 that teach leadership development and business skills through community development and individual development projects. We have over 90 years of experience and have grown to include chapters in over 100 countries. We appreciate the time you take to recognize those deserving individuals in your organization. We at the Florida Jaycees believe in everyday heroes and cherish the opportunity to honor them at our Outstanding Young Floridians Program. Thank you for your support. If you have any questions, or would be interested in becoming a corporate sponsor of this program, please contact oyf@jciflorida.org.

Best Regards,

Mindy Gallagher

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JCI Florida



A Program of JCI Florida/the Florida Junior Chamber



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Annually the Florida Junior Chamber selects and recognizes Florida's Outstanding Individuals based upon several bases of criteria. Each honoree shall be awarded a distinguished trophy and certificate of achievement. This awards ceremony dramatizes each winner's career in narrative form and provides a stage for the honorees to challenge and inspire Florida's youth.

Young men and women of all fields of endeavor may be nominated as an Outstanding Young Floridian. One or more nominations may be submitted by an individual, organizations, associations, institution or any Junior Chamber chapter. Winners will be selected by a panel of judges and the winners will be notified prior to the ceremony. Outstanding Young Floridian Honorees will be selected on the basis of achievement or contribution in any of three (3) of the following areas:

1. Personal Improvement or accomplishment
2. Financial success and economic innovation
3. Social improvement to major contemporary problems
4. Philanthropic contribution or voluntary service
5. Politics or government service
6. Scientific or technological contributions
7. Legal reform
8. Cultural achievement (to include contributions in literature, history, education or the arts)
9. Academic leadership or accomplishment
10. Moral and religious leadership
11. Athletic accomplishment
12. Success in the influence of public opinion (news media and other means)
13. Any other important contributions to community, state, or nation, at the discretion of the judges

Also in determining the recipients of this recognition, the judges shall give particular consideration to each nominee's record of adherence to the principles embodied in the Jaycee Creed:

We Believe:

*That Faith in God brings meaning and purpose to human life;
That the brotherhood of man transcends the sovereignty of nations;
That economic justice can best be won by free men through free enterprise;
That government should be of laws rather than of men;
That Earth's great treasure lies in the human personality;
And that service to humanity is the best work of life!*



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AWARD CATEGORIES

The following 12 awards are considered as the Florida Jaycees Outstanding Floridian program. The categories are used to highlight that person who is an Outstanding Floridian in a specific area. **Each winner MUST be between the ages of 18 - 40 (inclusive) except the Hillary McCabe Outstanding Student Award, Outstanding Floridian and Pioneer.** You are encouraged to submit multiple nominees in each category, but each nominee must be able to attend the ceremony to be considered.

OUTSTANDING FLORIDIAN --The Outstanding Floridian awards are given to a maximum of three people who, because of overall extraordinary talent and initiative, have made important contributions to the general welfare of the community, state or nation, and to their chosen field or profession. The nominees must be U.S. citizens or apply for citizenship by January 1st of the previous year and must be residents of the state of Florida. These awards are sponsored by the Florida JCI Senate.

OUTSTANDING YOUNG RELIGIOUS LEADER (OYRL)--The Outstanding Young Religious Leader Award recognizes the outstanding young man or woman who has given the most effective evidence during the year of his or her faith in God through church work or other community activities. Nominees must be between the ages of 18 and 40, and shall not be ordained or professionally involved in religious work.

J.L. MCMULLEN AWARD (GOOD GOVERNMENT AWARD)--The Good Government Award recognizes one citizen in Florida who has contributed the most to good government during the past year by his or her work activities that go beyond the scope of one's normal responsibilities. Nominees must be between the ages of 18 and 40, who may or may not be office holders and they need not be residents of the submitting chapter's local area. The winner will be that Florida citizen who has done the most to foster good government during the past year.

OUTSTANDING YOUNG FARMER AWARD--This award recognizes the outstanding young farmer between the ages of 18 and 40 in the state of Florida. The purpose of this award is to foster better urban-rural relations through Jaycee/farmer contacts and by creating a greater public interest in and understanding of today's farmer and their problems. Local chapters are urged to recognize promising young farmers in their community with the local OYF award and then submit the winner for Florida OYF award. The Florida winner, in turn, may be submitted for national competition.



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RALPH M. WILLIAMS, JR. MEMORIAL AWARD (OUTSTANDING YOUNG EDUCATOR AWARD)--Ralph M Williams Jr. was the first black Florida Jaycee. He was a member of the Merritt Island Jaycees and served his community with excellence. Mr. Williams received the Outstanding Young Educator Award in 1965. He served his local school as a classroom teacher, administrator and finally as an area superintendent - totaling 35 years of unwavering service to education. The Ralph M. Williams, Jr. Memorial Award program seeks to find the young man or woman between the ages of 18 and 40 who has made the greatest contribution to the teaching or education profession or is the most effective classroom teacher in the state of Florida.

ARTHUR KAIL MEMORIAL AWARD (OUTSTANDING YOUNG FIREFIGHTER/EMT)--This award honors the Outstanding Young Fire Fighter, Paramedic or Emergency Technician between the ages of 18 and 40 in the state of Florida. This award is designed to honor an individual in this profession who has dedicated their lives to the service of mankind. It is given in memory of Arthur Kail, a dedicated past president of the Hollywood Jaycees, who was instrumental to the development of that chapter up until his death at age 40.

GENERAL "CHAPPIE" JAMES MEMORIAL AWARD (OUTSTANDING AMERICAN) --The General "Chappie" James Memorial Award was previously known as Florida's Outstanding American Award and it is presented to the one Florida citizen, between the ages of 18 and 40, who has been a particular outstanding example of the traditions and ideals which have made our country great. The winner will have provided a splendid personal example of patriotic spirit and by his or her activities will have encouraged others to revere our American traditions and to practice its highest principles. This award is named in memory of Daniel "Chappie" James, the first black Four-Star General in U.S. military history. His distinguished career included being an ace combat pilot, flying 101 combat missions in the Korean War and appointments as Deputy Secretary of Defense, Vice Commander of the U.S. Air Force's Military Airlift Command and Commander-in-Chief of the North American Air Defense Command. He was well known for his speeches on Americanism and patriotism, being called "an eloquent spokesman for the American Dream we so rarely achieve," and for his concern regarding the future of the young people of our nation. General James was an active member of the Pensacola Jaycees until his death in 1978.

COL WILLIAM CARR MEMORIAL AWARD (ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR)--The Entrepreneur of the Year Award, started by the North Miami Beach Jaycees, is in memory of the late USAF Col. William Carr. Carr, a longtime North Dade resident and city councilman, served as a living example of commitment to the community. He fully recognized the value civic-minded organizations, like the Jaycees, could have in the community and actively sought their participation in the municipal process. This award is presented to a merchant or professional between the ages of 18 and 40, in recognition of his or her commitment to the community.



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HILLARY MCCABE MEMORIAL AWARD (OUTSTANDING LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT) --The Hillary McCabe Memorial Award, started by the Miami Lakes Jaycees, will be awarded annually to a high school student who demonstrates extraordinary character and commitment to the community. This award is named in memory of Hillary McCabe, a young Miami Lakes resident who fought admirably to remain one step ahead of cancer. Her resilience, perseverance and relentless spirit were a testimony to be promised the youth in the community hold.

OUTSTANDING YOUNG ENVIRONMENTALIST AWARD--This award recognizes the young man or woman from the state of Florida who, through his or her profession or volunteer work, have improved the general awareness of the need for environmental care and concern. Nominees must be between the ages of 18 and 40.

COOPER-TAYLOR-MOON MEMORIAL AWARD (PUBLIC SAFETY/LAW ENFORCEMENT)--The Cooper-Taylor-Moon Memorial Award is presented to that Florida citizen who has done the most to promote safety. "Safety" includes any area of human activity, and is not restricted to highway safety. Nominees must be between the ages of 18 and 40. The award is named in memory of two Gainesville Jaycees, George Cooper and Bob Taylor, who died in an accident while driving to the 1953 Jaycee Summer Conference. James H. Moon was a Florida Jaycee and Jacksonville policemen who was killed in the line of duty on September 27, 1971.

PIONEER AWARDS--The Pioneer Awards are given to a maximum of three people who, because of overall extraordinary talent and initiative, have made important contributions to the general welfare of the community, state or nation, and to their chosen field or profession.

Please check which category applies to this nomination:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Firefighter/EMT | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmentalist | <input type="checkbox"/> Entrepreneur |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement | <input type="checkbox"/> Good Government | <input type="checkbox"/> Student |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Educator | <input type="checkbox"/> Farmer | <input type="checkbox"/> Pioneer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Religious Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> American | <input type="checkbox"/> Floridian |



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RULES

1. All nominees must be between the ages to 18 – 40 at time of submission. *This restrictions DOES NOT apply to the "Hillary McCabe Memorial Award (Outstanding Local High School Student)" and the "Pioneer Awards".*
2. Nominees must be a US Citizen (native born or naturalized) or must have applied for citizenship prior to January 1st of this year.
3. The nominee must sign the nomination form personally. The signature will attest to all facts contained on the form; give permission for publication of the facts; and indicate willingness, barring extreme circumstances, to attend the Outstanding Young Floridians awards ceremony, in its entirety, if the nominee is to be under consideration for the Outstanding Young Floridians award.
4. All information must be included with this form.
5. At least 5-10 photos pertinent to nomination. (Community service related, work related, family related, etc.) At least one (1) high-resolution color head and shoulder photo is required (digital preferred).
6. Digital and mailed submissions are permitted.
7. All entries must be postmarked (if mailed) or received (if emailed) no later July 1, 2016 for use in ceremony, along with a \$10 entry fee and submitted to:

Email submissions: oyf@jcfloida.org

Mail submissions/payment:

Hollywood Jaycees
2930 Hollywood Boulevard
Hollywood, FL 33020

8. Up to ten (10) attachments of back-up material (additional recommendation letter, newspaper articles, copies of awards, videos/DVDs, commendations, etc.).
9. All questions on the Nomination Questionnaire MUST be completed. Any incomplete or partial applications will not be considered.



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NOMINATION FORM

Nominee's Full Name _____

Date of Birth: ___ / ___ / _____ Current Citizenship _____

City, county, state and/or country of birth _____

Home Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone () - _____ Cell Phone () - _____

E-mail address _____

Company Name _____ Position or Title _____

Business Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Business Phone () - X _____ Fax () - X _____

Supervisor or Contact _____

Contact Phone () - X _____ E-mail _____

Marital Status Single Married Partnered Spouse / Partner's Name _____

Children (please list Full Name and Date of Birth: _____

Civic, fraternal, religious organizations and affiliations (i.e. American Red Cross, Director, 1996):

Published work: _____





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QUESTIONS

- 1) Outline (describe) the career of the nominee, including some background and the scope of the nominee's work or activity.
- 2) Describe the nominee's exceptional achievements or contributions in the nominee's chosen field or fields, organization, community, state or nation.
- 3) List quotations, statements of authorities, honors, and awards received which evaluate the nominees' achievement or contribution.
- 4) Describe how the nominee excels in at least three (3) of the thirteen (13) areas outlines on page 2.



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FOR NOMINATOR

- 1) Summarize the nominee's most outstanding efforts and how the nominee exemplifies the line of the Jaycee Creed that stated, "Service to humanity is the best work of life."
- 2) Summarize the reason why you (the nominator) believe your nominee should be selected as a recipient for an Outstanding Young Floridian award.



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Nominators Name _____ Date _____

Nominators Signature _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Contact Phone () - X _____ E-mail _____

FOR NOMINEE

With agreement to accept an Outstanding Young Floridian award, I understand that, barring any extreme circumstances, I am required to be present at the Outstanding Young Floridians award presentation. If any extreme circumstances do in fact occur which prevent my attendance, I must present these conditions to the JCI Florida President for his or her decision on my continued eligibility for this distinguished award. The honoree and one (1) guest will each be provided dinner at the awards ceremony and, if requested, will be provided one (1) hotel night stay at no cost to the recipient. Any additional room nights or banquet dinners will be funded at the cost of the recipient. All nominees will be notified at least thirty (30) days prior to the awards ceremony. The selection of all honorees must be kept confidential by them until JCI Florida makes the formal announcement of the selections.

I have read and fully understand the preceding information. I attest to all the facts contained on this form and give my permission for the facts and any other information to be used for publications.

Signature of Nominee _____ Date _____