



MAC for People with Disabilities 2018 Annual Awards Categories

Artist

Recognizes an artist with a disability or an artist or arts organization for creatively serving people with disabilities.

Athlete

Recognizes an athlete with a disability or an athlete who uses achievements in sports to promote awareness of challenges for people with disabilities.

Communications

Recognizes an individual or entity who positively and consistently communicates the activities and issues related to disability and who use “people first” language to create and promote positive images.

Educator

Recognizes a person who promotes inclusion of students with disabilities, educates creatively, and encourages the acceptance of these students in classrooms, schools, and communities.

Employer

Recognizes a business that hires, accommodates, supports, develops, and retains employees with disabilities.

Family

Recognizes family members whose persistent efforts through direct support or advocacy enhances the quality of life for his/her family member with a disability.

Health Care

Recognizes medical or health-related services which provide direct support by an organization or individual in a manner that displays the highest respect for people with disabilities and their families.

Leadership

Recognizes an individual who demonstrates leadership in promoting legislation and public policy that benefits people with disabilities.

Organization

Recognizes an organization or agency which meets the needs of persons with disabilities in the community in creative, innovative ways; advocates for persons with disabilities and their families, individually and systematically; and effectively networks with other organizations.

Professional

Recognizes a person who strongly advocates, displays keen sensitivity to issues related to disability, and whose efforts positively and significantly impact the service system and community.

Volunteer

Recognizes a person who demonstrates dedication, takes part in community activities benefiting persons with disabilities and their families, and increases the awareness of others concerning disability issues.

Young Citizen

Recognizes teenagers or young adults with disabilities who demonstrate emerging leadership, dedication to public service, or significant accomplishments in their area of interest or expertise.

Youth Award

Recognizes children who have impacted their family and the community by achieving their best regardless of their level of disability and who are emerging as leaders, role models and advocates.