



GENERAL AVIATION AWARDS PROGRAM

- Aviation Maintenance Technician
- Avionics Technician
- Certificated Flight Instructor
- FAA Safety Team Rep

Application Form

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The General Aviation Awards Program is a cooperative effort between the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and aviation industry sponsors to recognize annually outstanding individuals in the fields of Avionics, Flight Instruction, and Maintenance. In addition, the program recognizes outstanding individuals serving the FAA Safety Team (*FAASTeam*) as representatives. The awards highlight the important roles these individuals play in promoting aviation safety, education, and professionalism. Winners will be recognized locally, regionally and nationally. National winners will be recognized during AirVenture-Oshkosh each July. There, they will also receive gifts and merchandise provided by sponsors and contributors.

ELIGIBILITY

All candidates must have been actively working within their respective aviation fields for a minimum of **five (5) years** prior to application / nomination. Candidates must also hold valid FAA airman certificates appropriate to their respective fields if required. In addition:

- A) Aviation Maintenance Technician candidates must be actively working within the United States under FAR Part 65;
- B) Avionics Technician candidates must be actively working within the United States with an FAA certified Part 145 Repair Station;
- C) Certificated Flight Instructor candidates must be actively working within the United States under FAR Part 61, Part 141 or Part 142;
- D) FAASTeam Representative candidates must be actively involved in the FAA Safety Team. Prior time in the National Safety Program applies to the 5-year requirement.

Candidates will be judged based on sustained superior performance in their respective fields as well as specific accomplishments and contributions to aviation safety, education, and professionalism.

APPLICATION / NOMINATION PACKAGE

The application / nomination package should include **only** the required components listed below. Any additional information will be disregarded. ***Missing required components may lead to disqualification.***

- The completed application / nomination form (2 pages) with supporting documentation for each activity listed (***please type or complete & print from Sponsors' websites***)
- Legible photocopy of a government-issued photo identification document
- Legible photocopies of both sides of all FAA-issued airman certificates and designations
- A 1- 3 page professional aviation oriented résumé
- A high-resolution JPEG image of the candidate at work in a professional setting
- A list of awards and other recognition earned by the candidate in the last five years
- Three (3) letters of nomination/recommendation (1 or 2 pages) stating why the candidate is deserving of the award. The letters should be distributed in the following manner:
 - One (1) letter from a supervisor (employer, FPM, Chief CFI, DPE, etc)
 - One (1) letter from a peer or co-worker
 - One (1) letter from a client or student who is familiar with the candidate's work

PROCEDURES & TIMELINES

All applications / nominations will first be submitted to local Flight Standards District Offices (FSDO).

- July 1st thru September 30th: Packets accepted at local FSDOs
- October 1st thru November 14th: Local (FSDO) judging for all four award categories
- November 15th: FSDO winners announced and forwarded to FAA Regional Offices
- November 16th thru December 31st: Regional judging for all four award categories
- January 1st: Regional winners announced and forwarded to AFS-8
- January & February: National judging by industry peers for all four award categories
- March 1st: National winners announced

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APPLICATION / NOMINATION**

_____ *Aviation Maintenance Technician*

_____ *Avionics Technician*

_____ *FAA Team Representative*

_____ *Certificated Flight Instructor*

Candidate's name: _____
first middle last preferred name

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Work phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail(s): _____

Full-time employer: _____

Street address: _____
company supervisor

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Part-time employer: _____

Street address: _____
company supervisor

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Total years experience applicable to award: _____

Local FSDO: _____ **FAA Team Mgr:** _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Nominator's name (if appropriate): _____
first middle last

Relationship to nominee: _____

Phone(s): _____ E-mail(s): _____

Affidavit

I hereby attest that all information submitted herein is true, correct, and complete. I understand that any misrepresentation of facts may result in removal from award consideration. I authorize present and past employers, the Federal Aviation Administration, and law enforcement agencies to disclose to representatives of the General Aviation Awards program information about me from the records in their possession, and to provide copies of that information as necessary.

Candidate's signature: _____ Date: _____

MM/DD/YYYY

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Candidate's Name: _____

List representative examples of your involvement in each the following activity categories and include supporting documentation for each example listed.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES for CFI, AMT or AVIONICS TECH

FAASTeam ACTIVITIES for FAASTeam Reps

(Work assignments, job responsibilities, instructional activities, research & development, media work, etc)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____
11. _____
12. _____
13. _____
14. _____

PRO BONO SERVICE TO THE AVIATION COMMUNITY

(Service on professional boards & committees, involvement in professional associations, mentoring others, youth activities, Scouts, Young Eagles, AOPA Airport Support Network, EAA Technical Counselor, EAA Flight Advisor, Civil Air Patrol, FAASTeam Representative [ASC], etc)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION & DEVELOPMENT

(Additional certificates/ratings, college/technical school classes, industry training/seminars, safety seminars, etc)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____

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PREVIOUS NATIONAL WINNERS

Certificated Flight Instructors

2009 - Arlynn Marine McMahon
2008 - Max Trescott
2007 - Mike Gaffney
2006 - Rich Stowell
2005 - John Teipen
2004 - Doug Stewart
2003 - Jeff Edwards
2002 - Kirby Ortega
2001 - Phil Poynor
2000 - Greg Brown
1999 - David Faile
1998 - J C Boylls
1997 - James Trusty
1996 - Lou Wipotnik

Aviation Maintenance Technicians

2009 - Alfred J "Lucky" Louque
2008 - Michael Daniel Busch
2007 - Paul New
2006 - Joe Hawkins
2005 - Mike Branham
2004 - Gary Goodpaster
2003 - Tom Hendershot
2002 - Garry Conrad
2001 - Dwain Chase
2000 - Arthur Geissman
1999 - Harry Shannon
1998 - Gary Schandal
1997 - Leonard Beauchemin
1996 - Ralph Michalka

FAA Team Reps / Safety Counselors

2009 - Kent Blair Lewis
2008 - John Anthony Teipen
2007 - Cheryl Ann DeFilipo Hardy
2006 - Gene Hudson
2005 - Michael Church
2004 - Walt Schamel
2003 - Maj Jim McDonald, USAF
2001 - Adrian Eichhorn
2000 - Hank Bruckner
1999 - Patrick Duncan
1998 - Michael Vivian
1997 - Johnny Summers
1996 - James Gardner
1995 - Ralph K Park

Avionics Technicians

2009 - Paul J "Jerry" Stooksbury
2008 - Timothy D Adkison
2007 - Jerry Luttrull
2006 - Terry Markovich
2005 - Charles Hanner
2004 - Keith Lewis
2003 - Al Ingle
2002 - Brady Terry
2001 - Brenda Olson
2000 - Robert Lenert
1999 - Daniel Derby

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Duncan Aviation
Experimental Aircraft Ass'n (EAA)
Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)
GARMIN International

Gleim Publications, Inc
Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation
General Aviation Manufacturers Ass'n (GAMA)
Jeppesen
Meggit/S-TEC
Nat'l Air Transportation Association (NATA)
Nat'l Association of Flight Instructors (NAFI)
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