



2017 Prix Prestige Awards and Honourary Member Nominations

Descriptions and Criterion

Planner of the Year and Supplier of the Year Awards

- Award Description/Purpose:** To recognize both an MPI Ottawa planner and supplier member who represents leadership and excellence in the meeting planning profession and an exemplary record of customer service.
- Nomination Criteria:** Nominees should be active participants in the meeting planning industry (not exclusively MPI) and have contributed to the growth and professionalism of our industry. Specific areas of consideration are: code of ethics; fairness and honesty; ability to listen; and integrity.
- Eligibility:** Student members and current Chapter Board members are ineligible for this award. All other MPI Ottawa members in good standing are eligible.

Rising Star Award

- Award Description/Purpose:** To recognize a new, first-time, MPI Ottawa member for his/her enthusiastic contribution to the Chapter and who recognizes the importance of being actively involved with an industry association.
- Nomination Criteria:** Nominees must have become a new, first-time member between January 1st, 2015 and December 31st, 2016 and volunteered their time and expertise to one or more chapter committees during this period.
- Eligibility:** Only names from the roster list distributed by the Chapter are eligible. Please consult the the dropdown. Chapter Board members are ineligible for this award.

Mentor of the Year Award

- Award Description/Purpose:** To recognize an MPI Ottawa member who has demonstrated an outstanding ability to inspire, motivate and educate other Chapter members and who is considered an expert in his/her field.
- Nomination Criteria:** Preference will be given to candidates who are active members of the meetings industry and who have had a positive impact on the lives of others. Nominees must demonstrate/embody the following qualities:
- Openness with new colleagues and an eagerness to support their professional development.
 - Creating a non-threatening environment to listen and educate members.

All nominations will be evaluated and selected by the MPI Ottawa Board of Directors' Executive Committee.



- Sharing a range of experiences, and encouraging others to learn from his/her strengths, weaknesses and vulnerabilities.
- Striving to build personal relationships and abiding by a strong code of ethics.

Eligibility: Student members and current members of the Board's Executive Committee (VP and President positions) are ineligible for this award. All other MPI Ottawa members in good standing are eligible.

Volunteer Award

Award Description/Purpose: To recognize an MPI Ottawa volunteer who has demonstrated exceptional volunteerism to their MPI community.

Nomination Criteria: Based exclusively on the involvement in an MPI Ottawa committee(s), this person will have shown dedication and hard work toward the good of the committee(s) and the Chapter. Nominations accepted from Committee chairs only. Chairs must provide a short summary of the candidate's accomplishments and why they should win this award.

Eligibility: Student members and current Chapter Board members are ineligible for this award. All other MPI Ottawa members in good standing are eligible.

Student of the Year Award

Award Description/Purpose: This award is to recognize an MPI Ottawa student member who has devoted significant time and effort to the MPI Ottawa Chapter (within their first two years of membership) who recognizes the importance of being actively involved with an industry association.

Selection Criteria: This award is open to Student members of MPI Ottawa Chapter who are either recent graduates or else currently enrolled in an industry-related program (between April 1, 2016 and April 30, 2017) at a recognized educational institution. Nominees must have volunteered their time and expertise to one or more chapter committees during this period.

Selection Process: Nominations will be reviewed and evaluated by the Executive members of the Chapter's Board of Directors.

Honourary Member

Award Description/Purpose: To recognize long-standing, retired members of the Chapter who have made significant contributions to MPI Ottawa.

Nomination Criteria: Nominees must have been a member in good standing of the MPI Ottawa Chapter for a minimum of 10 years (calculated on a cumulative basis), and made a significant contribution to the chapter during the time of their membership.

All nominations will be evaluated and selected by the MPI Ottawa Board of Directors' Executive Committee.



Eligibility:

Must no longer be employed in the meetings, tourism or hospitality industry and, therefore, not be eligible for MPI membership OR must no longer derive direct professional (i.e. monetary) benefit from MPI membership.