



# AWARD NOMINATION

**Nominations are due May 31 of every year**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Contact Info (e-mail/telephone #): \_\_\_\_\_

**Award categories:** Check all that you believe may be applicable to your nominee. The Awards Committee will make the final category determination. OTAC membership required for most categories.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Award of Excellence	<input type="checkbox"/>	OTA/OT Partnership
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTA Honorary	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outstanding Service
<input type="checkbox"/>	OT Practice	<input type="checkbox"/>	Award of Appreciation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fieldwork Educator	<input type="checkbox"/>	Susan J. Harris Entrepreneur
<input type="checkbox"/>	Luella Grangaard Political Action	<input type="checkbox"/>	OTAC Spirit of OT Award
<input type="checkbox"/>	Outstanding Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	OTAC Vision Award
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lifetime Achievement	<input type="checkbox"/>	OTAC Media Award

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Contact Info (e-mail/telephone #): \_\_\_\_\_

Review description of award and briefly identify below, in bulleted points, nominee’s qualifications:

**Return nomination form by May 31 to the OTAC Office by e-mail to [execdir@otaonline.org](mailto:execdir@otaonline.org)**

Awards Category	Awards Description	Awards Requirements
Award of Excellence	Recognize OTAC member who has made significant contributions to advancement of OT in areas of therapeutic practice, research, education, administration, organizational and community service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organizational activities: OTAC, AOTA, or health related or community associations</li> <li>• Program activities: Patient care or program development</li> <li>• Communication activities: Oral presentations, written work – publications or audiovisual materials</li> </ul>
Lifetime Achievement	Recognize OTAC member who has made significant contributions to field of OT in CA; viewed as role model or inspirational example to community locally or statewide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum of 20 years of OT practice with last 5 in CA</li> <li>• Significant contributions to OT advancement in education, OTAC activities, practice, community involvement, legislation, or research</li> <li>• Publications and/or oral presentations</li> </ul>
OTA Honorary	Recognize OTAC member who has made significant contributions to advancement of OT in area(s) of therapeutic practice, education, communication, organizational or community service	
OTA/OT Partnership	Recognize OTA and OT OTAC members who through collaboration of OT exemplifies professional partnership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evidence of OTA/OT partnership in OT profession</li> <li>• Significant contributions in research, practice, and/or education</li> <li>• Significant impact on profession at state, regional or national levels through demonstration and sharing expertise and knowledge through publications &amp; presentations</li> </ul>
OT Practice	Recognize OTAC member who has made significant contributions to advancement of OT in area(s) of therapeutic practice, education, communication organizational or community service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scholarly contributions in the following areas of expertise: development of practice model or methods of evaluation &amp; treatment, adaptive equipment, continuing education models, communication initiatives, serve as expert on panel and recognition of expertise</li> </ul>
Outstanding Service	Recognize OTAC member who has made significant contributions which impact the association and its objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sustained service in elected or appointed positional locally, statewide and nationally</li> <li>• Participation in special projects/tasks locally and statewide or nationally</li> </ul>
Fieldwork Educator	Recognize OTAC member who has demonstrated outstanding skills in fieldwork education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Held in high esteem by students &amp; colleagues and recognized as very knowledgeable of OT fieldwork education with demonstrated ability to facilitate fieldwork education process, &amp; mentor variety of OT students</li> <li>• Contributions in at least one of the following: shared knowledge of OT fieldwork education through workshops, seminars, written articles, consultant services, or teaching; development of new fieldwork education opportunities, or facilitation of optimal student learning environment</li> </ul>
Award of Appreciation	Recognize individual, group, or organization that has demonstrated support and advocacy for the OT profession	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Volunteers time, money or supplies to activities promoting OT</li> <li>• Demonstrates advocacy on sustained basis</li> <li>• Establishes relationships w/legislative personal/orgs. to advocate for OT</li> </ul>
Political Action	Recognize OTAC member who has made significant contributions in promoting OT in political arena and provide incentives for others to do so	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Demonstrated contributions at CA state and/or CA local level</li> <li>• Contribution in one or more of the following: active role in training &amp; organizing, educating legislators, advocating for consumers, participation in OTAC and OTAC-PAC and activities of CBOT on behalf of OTAC</li> </ul>
Entrepreneur	Recognize OTAC member(s) who through outstanding professional entrepreneurship has contributed to OT profession in CA	
Outstanding Student	Recognizes student OTAC member who has made significant contribution in OT in the area(s) of scholarship, organizational activities, community service, and/or advocacy	
OTAC Spirit of OT	To recognize outstanding contributions, dedication, and/or initiative that exemplify the power of occupation to promote health and well-being and enrich lives (local, state, regional, national, or international), and inspire others to personal action.	
OTAC Vision Award	To recognize an individual or organization who has significantly contributed to advancing the OTAC vision of occupational therapy for a world where all people participate in meaningful occupations to optimize their life experience.	
OTAC Media Award	To recognize actions of a media professional or organization (radio, TV, print, electronic) or individual who have broadened the public's understanding of and increased awareness of issues important to occupational therapy and the power, value, or spirit of occupational therapy in helping individuals optimize their life experience.	