Nominations for NPM Chapter of the Year - due May 31, 2020

Each year NPM recognizes one exemplary NPM chapter as Chapter of the Year. The Committee for Chapters accepts nominations and determines which chapter will receive this recognition.

Anyone associated with the ministry of pastoral music (e.g., NPM member, industry personnel, clergy, diocesan personnel), and who has knowledge of the workings of a chapter, may nominate the chapter for this award. Nominations must be made in writing and should be based on the following general criteria:

The chapter leadership:

- Provides substantial programming four or more locally produced programs in each of the last two years with strong participation of members
- Offers programs that are educational, musical, and spiritual, with connection to the diocese and to the community at large
- Publicizes the work of the chapter through the "Chapter Happenings" and/or "Chapter Best Practices" columns
- Maintains an elected Chapter Director and board / leadership team
- Encourages a supportive relationship with the local diocese
- Exhibits a high (or increasing) ratio of national members, especially in recruiting new NPM members in the diocese
- Provides exemplary communications with members (newsletter, website, social media)
- Utilizes ongoing programs for recruitment and education of local pastoral musicians
- Meets any significant challenges to chapter development with success
- Files the Chapter Annual Report when requested

Send letter of nomination to npmsing@npm.org by May 31, 2020.

Nominations for NPM Chapter Leader of the Year – due May 31, 2020

Each year NPM chooses an NPM member serving in a chapter leadership position to be recognized as Chapter Leader of the Year. The Committee for Chapters accepts nominations and determines which chapter leader will receive this recognition.

Anyone associated with the ministry of pastoral music (e.g., NPM member, industry personnel, clergy, diocesan personnel) may nominate a chapter leader for this award. Nominations must be made in writing and should be based on the following general criteria:

The Chapter Leader

- Is a national member of NPM
- Serves on a national NPM committee, the NPM Council or Board
- Promotes national NPM events and programs to chapter members
- Attends national NPM conventions regularly
- Participates in chapter events at national NPM conventions
- Establishes and sustains a healthy relationship with diocesan personnel
- Establishes relationships with local institutions of higher education with music or theology programs
- Serves in a leadership role in a chapter for a minimum of five years

- Is instrumental in planning and executing excellent programming in the local chapter
- Demonstrates a vibrancy that contributes to the strength of the local chapter
- Encourages NPM national membership within the chapter and new memberships within the diocese
- Provides opportunities for NPM certification within the chapter
- Publicizes the work of the chapter through the "Chapter Happenings" and/or "Chapter Best Practices" columns

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