ASIAN/ PACIFIC HERITAGE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSOCIATION (APHOTA)

Award Categories

Description, Selection Criteria

The Outstanding Achievement Award: The highest honor of APHOTA for a member in good standing who has demonstrated outstanding qualities of leadership, academics, or clinical achievement in the initiation, development, or perpetuation of occupational therapy or healthcare in general.

Selection criteria:

Nominee shall have demonstrated quality of leadership in development and perpetuation of occupational therapy in one of these areas: outstanding contributions made or the development of OT/ healthcare standards and facilities; personal interest and efforts of financial contributions made to promote the establishment of OT; guidance for the professional growth of OT and APHOTA, Inc.; other contributions. Only one award will be given annually.

OT/OTA Student of the Year: To acknowledge student members of APHOTA who participate in activities to promote occupational therapy in their community and who contribute to the professional growth of occupational therapy by participation in leadership roles in their district, state, and/or national associations.

Selection criteria: Nominees shall have demonstrated one or more of the following: served on committees, boards or clubs; mentored; been the recipient of awards of recognition; authored or published articles for AOTA, APHOTA, OT Practice; been a presenter at state or national conference; have advocated/promoted occupational therapy; attended/participated in inservices, conferences or district meetings; served as AOTA state delegate. Nominee must have a GPA of 2.5 or better. Two awards may be given: one in an OT and one in an OTA program.

Service Award: To recognize individual members of APHOTA who have provided services to the association and/or profession through time or task limited activities, or to recognize individual members who have served in state offices.

Selection Criteria: The nominee shall have provided sustained service to a working body of the APHOTA. Services shall have benefited the profession and the association. There is no limit to the number of recipients or the number of times an individual may receive this award.