



## AWARD DESCRIPTION

**THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD** is the premier recognition given by the Organ Historical Society for volunteer work by members of the organization. It recognizes significant contributions of the highest order for the promotion and betterment of the Society. Promotion can include noteworthy and outstanding contributions to the programs and mission of the Society as well as advertising and public relations.

Recipients must be members of the OHS who have contributed significant service in terms of time, talent, and work — not philanthropy, though it is recognized that many volunteers also give monetary donations to the OHS.

## NOMINATIONS

Nominations may be made by any OHS member or by a non-member organization (church, school, historical society, etc.). Nominations should include a summary of each nominee's qualifications, including information such as:

- National-level offices or positions held (e.g. Board, committees, etc.) including specific years of service.
- OHS projects such as conventions, outreach, documentation, membership, research, publishing, etc.
- Work in any area of organ history, including writing, scholarship, preservation, advocacy, fund-raising, organ playing, organ restoration /maintenance, teaching, promotion, etc. that directly benefits the OHS.
- Chapter-level involvement, offices held, projects, etc.

## FURTHER GUIDELINES

- Nominees must be members of the Organ Historical Society.
- Past recipients of the DSA are not eligible to receive the award again.
- Current DSA Committee members are not eligible to be nominated for the award.
- Paid employees or independent contractors working for the OHS are ineligible to receive the award based on work compensated by the OHS (e.g. convention chairs/coordinators, consultants, executive directors, recording engineers, etc.). This does not apply to people who receive one-time or occasional stipends for service as convention recitalists or lecturers, as committee chairs, or research grants, or other similar non-pecuniary payments.
- Nominees who are not selected for the award may be nominated in future years but will not be automatically reconsidered.
- Members of the DSA Committee may make nominations.
- Nominations will remain confidential.

## NOMINATIONS MAY ALSO BE MADE BY MAILING THEM TO:

Distinguished Service Award Committee  
Organ Historical Society  
330 North Spring Mill Road  
Villanova, PA 19085-1737