

PAMANA Awards Description and History

Use the descriptions to help you decide to which category your nominee belongs

Educational Contributions: This award is given to the individual who not only has excelled in the field of education but also has contributed greatly to the academic discipline of teaching and learning. The awardee has advanced the improvement of education among the schools and colleges, various interested organizations and nonprofits, and the community. The awardee is considered an educational leader, an innovative and inspiring teacher, a person who promotes improved teaching strategies and use of technology, and/or has demonstrated ways to raise student engagement and achievement.

2000-Sr. Josephine L. de Gorostiza
2002- Fras R. Sabay
2005- Cora Romillo

2007- Gigi Carlson
2009 – Armeli Quezon Bertran

Cultural Heritage and Historical Contributions: (First Given 2007) This award is given to the individual who has contributed greatly to our study and understanding of diversity, cultural heritage, ethnic origins and/or history. In particular, the awardee has participated and promoted activities that has taught or advanced the study of the Filipino language and history, culture and customs, and/or the Filipino-American experience and history in the United States

2007- Ligaya White

2009 –Cristal Everette

Personal Achievement: This award is given to a Filipino American person who has attained success in their chosen profession, field or specialty and has inspired others to overcome obstacles and make sacrifices to achieve their goals.

2000-Celia Tomlinson
2002-Raymunda Aguila Van Hoven
2005-Melvic de Gracia

2007- Stanley Agustin
2009- Faith Ventura

Community Service: This award is given to a person or couple, not necessarily of Filipino descent, who has been instrumental in promoting cultural diversity, has participated in cultural activities and has been a tireless advocate for the resolution of the Filipino-American community's issues and concerns OR a Filipino American due to their unyielding advocacy and goodwill, has contributed substantially to the community in general.

2000-Adelfa Samson
2002-Potenciana (Nenette) Santos Boucher
2005-Heddy Long

2007-Jimmy & Betsy Custodio
2009-Evelio & Florence Sabay, Perli Cunanan,
Myrna Samson

Lifetime Achievement Award: is given to a Filipino American whose accomplishment in his/her chosen professional field and/or humanitarian efforts have impact on national and/or global levels.

2005-Dr. Jose Martinez

2007-Dr. Adelamar Alcantara

Special Media Award: is given to a Filipino American in the media who has helped promote the Fil-Am culture and activities.

2009 – Mary Ann Orate

Manoa Youth Award is given to a Filipino American High School Student (at least at time of nomination) who, as in the spirit of Manoa Alcantara Jojola, has excelled in academics, community service and/or participated in activities to promote Filipino culture and who demonstrates pride in their culture through expressive and creative arts. The winner receives a scholarship fund of \$500 from the sponsors: Dr. Ted Jojola and Dr. Dely Alcantara of the Manoa Cultural Diversity Foundation.

2000- Roan L. Velasco
2002-Kristelle Siarza (Certificate of Achievement- Lisabeth Gladden)
2005-Ronadel Ronquillo
2007-Sarah Rogers (Certificates of Achievement- Patrick Custodio, Krystal Fournier, & Kirstin Bowman)
2009-Jami Abdullah, Amberle Durano, Sima Greenfield

Pamana History. The awards event was introduced by Founding President Dr. Dely Alcantara in 2000 to recognize individuals who have made a difference in mainstream society or Filipino American experience and culture.

- 1st Nov. 17, 2000, Barcelona Suite, Albuquerque. Speaker: Phil. Consul General Edwin Bael
2nd Sept. 21, 2002, Sandia Casino, Alb. Speaker: FANHS Co-Founder Dr. Dorothy Cordova
3rd Sept. 17, 2005, MCM Elegante, Alb. Speakers: Phil. Deputy Consul Gen. Hellen Barber & NaFFAA CEO
Loida Nicolas Lewis (Joint project with NaFFAA Regional Conference)
4th Sept. 22, 2007, MCM Elegante, Alb. Speaker: Phil. Consul Gen. Mary Jo Bernardo Aragon
5th Aug. 8, 2009, Inn at Rio Rancho. Speaker: Phil. Deputy Consul Gen. Daniel Espiritu.