



Call for Nominations: 2019 Distinguished Alumni Award

The Alumni Executive Committee of the General Theological Seminary is pleased to announce that nominations are now being accepted for the 2019 Distinguished Alumni Award. This annual award is for Seminary degree-holders worthy of special recognition. Graduates of the Seminary in either ordained or lay orders are eligible for nomination. The award presentation will take place during the Memorial Eucharist at the Alumni Gathering, May 14, 2019.

Note those **ineligible for consideration** are:

- Bishops (who are by policy awarded honorary doctorates); and
- Sitting Trustees, or members of the staff or faculty.

Past recipients have included exemplars of a broad range of both extraordinarily original, path-breaking ministries and extraordinarily faithful, though quiet ministries. Candidates may be put forth on the basis of lifetime achievement, or to honor extraordinary accomplishment that brought credit upon the church and General Seminary. Nominees may be well-known, but care should be given to identify inspiring yet unheralded ministries.

Nominations may be made by:

- Sending a written statement, in care of Jonathan Silver, to the Alumni Office, 440 W 21st Street, New York, NY 10011, or by e-mail to silver@gts.edu

Those submitting nominations must identify themselves by name and class year and provide a daytime phone number and/or e-mail address. Please include the following information:

- Nominee's Name
- Class Year
- Contact information (address/email/phone)
- What is your Relationship to Nominee?
- Why are you recommending this person? What are their significant accomplishments? (eg. Awards, honors, publications, community contributions and/or service – please include dates if possible).
- How have these accomplishments made a difference?

Candidate statements of support should not exceed 150 words.

Nominations must be received by September 15, 2018. The award will be decided by the Alumni Executive Committee at its meeting October meeting in 2018.

The Seminary has created this award in the hope that it will serve to promote the worth of education and formation at General Seminary as exemplified by the lives and service of outstanding graduates. Thank you for your thoughtful participation in the 2018-2019 nomination process!

The past recipients of the GTS Distinguished Alumni Award are:

2017 *The Rev. Steven E. Hulme '59*, Rector Emeritus, St. John's Church, Niantic, Connecticut

2016 *The Rev. Paula M. Jackson*, Rector, Church of Our Saviour/La Iglesia de Nuestro Salvador, Cincinnati, Ohio

2015 *The Very Rev. H. Scott Kirby, '63*, Dean Emeritus, Christ Church Cathedral, Eau Claire

2014 *The Rev. Margaret Ann Muncie, '74*, Executive Director, Canterbury Counseling Center, Greenville, SC

2012/2013 *Br. Clark Berge, '84*, Minister General of the Society of St. Francis

2011 *The Rev. Dr. Minka Shura Sprague, M.A. '78, Th.D '85*, St. James Episcopal Church, Jackson, Mississippi, scholar, author, preacher, lecturer, and workshop/retreat leader

2010 *The Rev. John L. Kater, '96 Professor Emeritus of Ministry Development*, Church Divinity School of the Pacific

2009 *The Very Rev. David duPlantier '93* Dean, Christ Church Cathedral, New Orleans LA, Co-founder Jericho Road Housing Project

2008 *The Rev. Dr. Marion J. Hatchett '66 and '72*, Professor Emeritus, University of the South, School of Theology, Sewanee, Tenn

2007 *The Rev. Canon Elizabeth Geitz '93*, Canon for Ministry, Diocese of New Jersey and author of several volumes, including *Fireweed Evangelism* and *The Rev. J. Fletcher Lowe '59* Executive Director, Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy

2006 *Dr. Henry Carse '94* Director, Kids-4-Peace, St. George's College, Jerusalem

2005 *The Rev. Bertram Bennett '75*, Priest-in-Charge, St. David's, Bronx, NY and Chair, South Bronx Churches

2004 *The Revs. Richard Fabian '70 and Donald Schell '71*, Co-founders and co-rectors, St. Gregory of Nyssa, San Francisco