

NCAI Chapter Awards

Purpose/Intent:

The NCAI Chapter Awards aim to recognize outstanding service that benefits both the profession and our members. These awards are designed to encourage member engagement, particularly among those most likely to assume future leadership roles within the organization.

Award Package:

Each recipient will receive a framed certificate, public recognition across all NCAI media platforms, a press release for distribution to local media, and one complimentary Continuing Education (CE) registration (up to 7 hours) to be used within the following year.

Panelists:

The selection panel will consist of the current president, immediate past president, one board member, and one chapter member nominated by the general membership (not serving on the board). Panelists who are also nominated for an award must recuse themselves from voting on their own category, though they may participate in the selection process for other award categories. The current president is ineligible for nomination.

Recommended Guidelines:

1. **Nominations:** Nominations for each award category will be accepted annually. While awards do not need to be presented each year, they will be given when merited.
2. **Nomination Period:** Nominations will be accepted during a 30-day period preceding the fourth-quarter board meeting. For example, nominations accepted throughout November will allow enough time to print and frame certificates for presentation at the 4th quarter meeting.
3. **Notification:** The panel may notify the board of directors of winner selections prior to the awards ceremony when beneficial, but is not required to do so. Nominees will be notified that they have been nominated, and given a chance to provide any relevant supporting information for consideration.
4. **Eligibility:** Nominees and award winners must be current members of the NCAI chapter of the Appraisal Institute.
5. **Nominee Categories:** Nominations are open to designated, non-designated, candidate, associate, affiliate, and student members of the NCAI chapter.
6. **Nomination Process:** Any NCAI chapter member can nominate another member for any award category.
7. **Multiple Nominations:** Chapter members may be nominated in successive years; however, no individual may win the same award more than once within any five-year period.
8. **Awards Ceremony:** Awards will be presented at the 4th Quarter Installation Dinner.

Award Descriptions:

1. NCAI Leadership Award:

This prestigious award honors an individual or group whose dedication to the chapter over the preceding five years has demonstrated unwavering commitment to the long-term success of the organization. Qualifying activities may include, but are not limited to, chairing or serving on committees, holding a position on the Board of Directors, serving as an executive officer or regional representative, teaching for the chapter (with or without CE credit), securing significant sponsorships, engaging in legislative or advocacy efforts, building collaborative relationships with other organizations, and representing the chapter at professional events. The recipient should have consistently contributed to the advancement and support of the chapter's mission.

2. Impact Award:

This award is presented to an individual whose service at the regional or national level of the Appraisal Institute (or other related professional organizations) has had a transformative and measurable impact on the profession and North Carolina appraisers. This award recognizes those who have used national and regional platforms to push the profession forward, create new opportunities, foster meaningful dialogues, contribute to the body of knowledge, or inspire significant change. Serving in leadership roles such as a national committee chair or board member is beneficial but not required. This award is intended to be highly competitive and should be awarded only when there is clear, transformative impact.

3. Innovator's Award:

This award recognizes the individual or group who has introduced and successfully executed the most innovative idea or initiative for the chapter in the past year. This may include developing a new event, identifying and pursuing new opportunities for the chapter, restructuring or creating committees that address specific needs, generating new sources of revenue, increasing recognition and public relations efforts, or improving member engagement. The recipient should have demonstrated creativity and initiative in driving the chapter's success through innovation.