

16th Annual Awards

Conversations on Diversity and Inclusion



Call for Nominations, 2021 Conversations on Diversity & Inclusion Achievement Awards

Nomination Guidelines: Nominations can originate from any CSU, Chico faculty, staff member, student, alumni or community member. Please provide a brief rationale for your nomination, such as relevant activities that promote equity, diversity, and inclusion.

Selection Process: Recipients will be selected by the Conversations on Diversity and Inclusion committee based on their commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion.

Presentation of Awards: Awards will be presented at the Conversations on Diversity and Inclusion Achievement Awards and Reception on Wednesday, **May 5 at 12:00 pm.**

Deadline: Nominations must be submitted no later than Friday, **April 16, 2021** to Tray Robinson. Please click [here](#) to apply. If you have any questions, contact Tray Robinson at trobinson@csuchico.edu or by phone at x4764.

Behind the Scenes Award

Just as in a movie or in theatre, much of the diversity efforts, the real work, is conducted and maintained behind the scenes, out of public view. This award honors the individual behind the scenes, working diligently and often without recognition to ensure that the show goes on seamlessly and successfully.

Lifetime Achievement Award

Understanding diversity is the work of a lifetime. Helping others to understand it is the work of an extraordinary lifetime. This award is presented to an individual who has brought the campus closer to its vision of inclusiveness through her or his cumulative daily efforts to promote understanding and collaboration across lines of gender, race, culture, class, and sexuality.

Promising Newcomer Award

This award is presented to an individual whose fresh perspective and energy galvanize campus diversity work and facilitate new approaches to old problems. The award honors the newcomer's vision and invites a sustained commitment to its realization.

Pulling us Together Award

This award is presented to the organizer(s) of an event that was noteworthy for drawing people together to take a bold step towards social change. The event may involve teaching the campus community eye-opening lessons about diversity issues, galvanizing a response to a particular social justice issue, or representing those who are often marginalized in U.S. society.

Taking it to the Classroom

Individuals who address diversity issues in the classroom often must deal with sensitive and challenging subjects, resistant or apathetic students, and/or professional scrutiny. It is a daunting task that many choose not to address. The Taking It to the Classroom award recognizes an outstanding faculty member who possesses the courage and creativity required to successfully engage diversity issues in the classroom.

Taking it to the Streets

This award highlights a group's or individual's timely response to an event or issue of local, national, or global significance. We particularly want to honor students, staff, or faculty who have provided a direct service to communities or individuals impacted by the topic.

The After Chico Award

The After Chico Award recognizes that the proof of a good education is what you do with what you've learned. In this award we honor Chico alum's outstanding contributions in the field of diversity activism, service, education, and/or celebration.

The Teach Back Award

The Teach Back Award recognizes the fact that while students most often learn from their professors, they also teach their instructors and peers. With this award we honor one of our students who has consistently been active either inside or outside of the classroom and contributed to diversity education on campus.

Walk the Line Award

The Walk the Line award recognizes that the work to achieve social justice is both demanding and risky. Risks include excessive scrutiny and burn out from juggling multiple roles (e.g., mentor, teacher, advocate). This award recognizes one who takes such risk without the protection of privilege and safety nets such as tenure or secure fulltime employment.

Last Year's Award Recipients:

Lifetime Achievement Award

Gary McMahon

Pulling us Together Award

Joe Picard

Promising Newcomer Award

Browning Michael Neddeau

After Chico Award

Nicole McCallister

Taking it to the Streets Award

Jeremy Olguin

Walk the Line Award

Annie Adamian

Behind the Scenes Award

Katy Sylvia

Teach Back Award

Bre Holbert

Taking it to the Classroom

Carolina Alvarado