

East Metro Board of REALTORS®

Special Award Guidelines (updated 8.15)

SPECIAL AWARDS:

A. Special Awards shall consist of the following:

1. REALTOR® OF THE YEAR
2. RISING STAR AWARD (formerly REALTOR® ROOKIE OF THE YEAR)
3. PRESIDENT'S AWARD
4. CIRCLE OF EXCELLENCE
5. PIONEER AWARD
6. REALTOR® SPIRIT AWARD
7. AFFILIATE SPIRIT AWARD
8. AFFILIATE OF THE YEAR
9. ROOKIE AFFILIATE OF THE YEAR

B. The Awards Committee shall review all Special Awards Nominees and select all recipients, except the President's Award (which shall be chosen by the President).

C. Any nominee for a special award, that is a member of the Awards Committee, shall excuse themselves from the review and selection process prior to gaining any knowledge of the additional nominees.

• **REALTOR® OF THE YEAR**

Nominees for REALTOR® of the Year shall be presented to the Awards Committee no later than 3:00pm on the first (1st) Friday of February. The Awards Committee will consider the nominee's total personality and lifestyle to ensure that the winner will be held up to the public as "the best of us." Applicants may be requested to attend an interview session with selected members of the Awards Committee at the discretion of the Committee. The Awards Committee reserves the right to ask for additional information.

Criteria:

1. Nominations shall only be presented on Primary Board members of the East Metro Board of REALTORS® who are in good standing and have been a Primary Member of the East Metro Board of REALTORS® for 12 months prior to nomination.
2. Application **MUST** be typed.
3. Application may be presented by the nominee, REALTOR® members or Affiliate members of the East Metro Board of REALTORS®. Applications presented by non-members of the Board will not be considered.

4. The Awards Committee will consider the following in making their decision:
 - A. Board of REALTOR® participation.
 - B. Civic/Community participation**
 - C. GAR/NAR participation**
5. **Personal Sales Production is not a consideration in the selection process and does not need to be mentioned in the application.**
6. Nomination form must be presented in a sealed envelope with “REALTOR® of the Year” on the front of the envelope

- **RISING STAR AWARD (formerly Rookie Realtor® of the Year)**

Nominees for Rising Star Award shall be submitted to the Awards Committee no later than 3:00pm on the first (1st) Friday of February. The Awards Committee will consider the nominee’s total personality and lifestyle to ensure that the winner will be held up to the public as “the best of us.” Applicants may be requested to attend an interview session with selected members of the Awards Committee at the discretion of the Committee. The Awards Committee reserves the right to ask for additional information.

Criteria:

1. Nominee must be a Primary member, in good standing, of the East Metro Board of REALTORS® for six (6) months prior to application.
2. Nominees must be in their first full year in the real estate business, as a full time agent, no matter how long they have held a real estate license.
3. The application should outline when the nominee was first licensed and outline each company they have been licensed with prior to their current company, giving dates for each period.
4. Application should outline Board activities, community/civic activities, and sales production for the qualifying year.
5. Nominees do not have to qualify for the Million Dollar Club to present an application.
6. Application must be typed and presented in a sealed envelope with “Rising Star” on the front of the envelope.
7. Application may be presented by the nominee, REALTOR® members or Affiliate members of the East Metro Board of REALTORS®. Applications presented by non-members of the Board will not be considered.

Selection of REALTOR of the Year & Rising Star

- Selection of REALTOR® of the Year & Rising Star (Rookie REALTOR® of the Year) will be chosen yearly by a committee of three (3) most recent REALTOR® of the Year winners. Previous REALTOR® of the Year may not serve on Awards/Recognitions Committee. Winner will be presented to the Executive Committee for certification.

- **PRESIDENT'S AWARD**

This prestigious award is presented by the President at the Annual Awards celebration to the one person that they feel has done the most to promote and support the board and the goals of the association during their term as president.

- **CIRCLE OF EXCELLENCE AWARD**

The Circle of Excellence is presented at the Annual Awards celebration to members of EMBOR, both REALTORS® and AFFILIATES, that have completed a minimum number of requirements as outlined in the Circle of Excellence application. The application must be completed, signed and submitted to the Awards Committee no later than the first (1st) Friday in February.

- **PIONEER SERVICE AWARD**

This prestigious award is presented at the Annual Awards celebration to a person that has actively promoted and supported the local board and the goals of the local, state and national associations for a minimum of twenty-five (25) years as a REALTOR®. Names for consideration, along with a written summary of service, may be submitted to the Awards Committee no later than the first (1st) Friday of February.

- **REALTOR® SPIRIT AWARD**

To recognize the member who shows the most enthusiasm, exemplifies the Code of Ethics and positive attitude while conducting real estate business. Votes will be cast at the General Membership Meeting prior to the Awards Ceremony. Members may cast votes by phone one (1) week after General Membership Meeting if not in attendance. Only one (1) vote per member. *(revised 9.24.09)*

- **AFFILIATE SPIRIT AWARD**

To recognize the member who shows the most enthusiasm, exemplifies high personal ethics and positive attitude while conducting business. Votes will be cast at the General Membership Meeting prior to the Awards Ceremony. Members may cast votes by phone one (1) week after General Membership Meeting if not in attendance. Only one (1) vote per member. *(adopted 9.24.09)*

- **AFFILIATE OF THE YEAR**

Nominees for Affiliate of the Year shall be presented to the Awards Committee no later than 3:00pm on the first (1st) Friday of February.

Criteria:

1. Nominations shall only be presented on Primary Board members of the East Metro Board of REALTORS® who are in good standing and have been a Primary Member of the East Metro Board of REALTORS® for 12 months prior to nomination.
2. Application MUST be typed.

3. Application may be presented by the nominee, REALTOR® members or Affiliate members of the East Metro Board of REALTORS®. Applications presented by non-members of the Board will not be considered.
4. The Awards Committee will consider the following in making their decision:
 - a. Board of REALTOR® participation.
 - b. Civic/Community participation
5. Nomination form must be presented in a sealed envelope with “AFFILIATE of the Year” on the front of the envelope

- **ROOKIE AFFILIATE OF THE YEAR**

Nominees for Rookie Affiliate of the Year shall be submitted to the Awards Committee no later than 3:00pm on the first (1st) Friday of February.

Criteria:

1. Nominee must be a Primary member, in good standing, of the East Metro Board of REALTORS® in their first FULL year as an affiliate member.
2. Application should outline Board activities, and community/civic activities for the year.
3. Application must be typed and presented in a sealed envelope with “Rookie Affiliate of the Year” on the front of the envelope.
4. Application may be presented by the nominee, REALTOR® members or Affiliate members of the East Metro Board of REALTORS®. Applications presented by non-members of the Board will not be considered.

Selection of Affiliate of the Year & Rookie Affiliate of the Year

- Selection of Affiliate of the Year & Rookie Affiliate of the Year will be chosen yearly by a committee of three (3) most recent Affiliate of the Year winners. Previous Affiliate of the year may not serve on Awards/Recognitions Committee. Winner will be presented to the Executive Committee for certification