Women of Achievement, Inc. was founded in 1984 by a group of women dedicated to honoring the extraordinary women who have made Memphis and Shelby County better through their lives and accomplishments. The coalition of diverse civic and professional groups and support agencies organizes events to recognize and celebrate these women.

Now our vision remains the same – to educate the community about the important achievements of women, to celebrate those accomplishments, and to inspire other women and girls to take risks and boldly achieve for themselves and for the community.

**Awards Banquet and More**

Women of Achievement holds an annual awards event in March, National Women’s History Month. Seven awards, based on the quality of character that underlies achievement, highlight contributions of women who improve our community and the advancement of women. Awards are given without requirements on education or income and are not limited to professional categories. See a complete list of honorees at www.womenofachievement.org.

WA also hosts annual public forums. Panelists discuss ways women have tackled issues and concerns throughout local history, spotlighting how women have broken barriers to become leaders in business, government, law, the arts and community and civic service.

**We Need You**

It’s easy to be a part of Women of Achievement.

Nominate a woman you believe should be honored. See details on the back cover of this nomination form.

**About Membership Fees**

Membership donations of $50 and above to the Memphis Area Women's Council include WA membership.

Otherwise, individual WA annual dues are on a sliding scale, $15-25. Organization WA annual dues are on a sliding scale, $30-50

Be a donor: Help defray the cost of the awards event. Sponsors ($1,000 and up), Sustainers ($500 to $900), Donors ($100 to $499) help us keep the ticket cost low each year.

To donate or join Women of Achievement, send a check to WA at PO Box 95, Memphis, TN 38101. You can also contact us at dclubb@memphiswomen.org.

In addition, Men Honoring Women of Achievement accepts donations of $50 or higher each year.

**Participating Organizations have included:**

- Africa in April
- American Association of University Women
- Association of Women Attorney
- Coalition of 100 Black Women
- Church Women United
- Downtown Productions, Inc
- Girl Scouts Council of the Mid-South
- Girls Incorporated of Memphis
- Hadassah
- League of Women Voters
- Memphis Area Women’s Council
- Memphis Center for Independent Living
- Memphis Center for Reproductive Health
- Memphis Child Advocacy Center
- Memphis Education Association
- Memphis Women’s Political Caucus
- Memphis Public Library and Information Center
- National Council of Jewish Women
- National Council of Negro Women
- National Organization for Women
- Network of Memphis
- Public Issues Forum
- Shelby County Democratic Women
- The Links, Incorporated – Memphis Chapter
- Unitarian Universalist Women’s Alliance
- University of Memphis Center For Research on Women
- Women of Reformed Judaism, Temple Israel Sisterhood
- Women’s Foundation for a Greater Memphis
- Women’s News of the Mid-South
- YWCA of Greater Memphis
Nomination Form --- Awards given annually in March

Award Categories

COURAGE
For a woman who, facing active opposition backed an unpopular cause in which she deeply believed

DETERMINATION
For a woman who solved a glaring problem, despite widespread inertia, apathy or ignorance around her

HERITAGE
For a woman of generations past whose achievements enrich our lives

HEROISM
For a woman whose heroic spirit was tested and shown as a model to all in Shelby County and beyond

INITIATIVE
For a woman who seized the opportunity to use her talents and created her own future

STEADFASTNESS
For a lifetime of achievement

VISION
For a woman whose sensitivity to women’s needs led her to tremendous achievements for women

Nomination Guidelines

In a 300-word summary tell us your nominee’s story and specifically how it relates to your chosen award category.

You MUST submit documents or articles about your nominee’s achievements pertinent to the nomination. Please attach no more than six documents. Items will not be returned. No videos, audio tapes or notebooks, please.

You may nominate more than one person in any or all categories, but you must submit separate forms for each nominee. This form may be duplicated. Nominees for Courage, Initiative, Steadfastness, Determination and Vision must be current resident of Shelby County. Heritage nominees must have been residents of Memphis or Shelby County.

No residence restrictions apply in the Heroism category.

All nominations must be postmarked by Jan. 10

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Nomination Information

Category __________________________
Nominee __________________________ Submitted by __________________________
Address __________________________ Address __________________________
City, ST ______________ Zip __________ City, ST ______________ Zip __________
Telephone __________________________ Telephone __________________________
Email __________________________ Email __________________________

Additional contacts to verify my nominee’s accomplishments/impact on the community

Name __________________________
Address __________________________
City, ST ______________ Zip __________
Telephone __________________________
Email __________________________

If renominating, please attach updated material and contact information. This form may be duplicated. Nominations may be submitted by mail or email.