

2018

SVBYI Award



Presenting sponsor:



"It might mean making personal sacrifices or going 'above and beyond' to overcome injustices. But either way, in the end you leave the world a better place than how you found it."

—Sybyl M. Atwood

Nominations open: Friday, August 31, 2018

Deadline for submission: Friday, October 12, 2018

For more information, please contact:

Lindsey Younger, sybylaward2018@gmail.com or
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Nomination Instructions

THE SYBYL AWARD

The **SYBYL Award** was created in 2008 to honor the life of Sybyl McPeake Atwood, who served as the Program Director for Volunteer and Information Services at Resource Genesee and its predecessor organizations for more than 40 years.

Sybyl's sense of community and her boundless energy influenced and strengthened the human service, volunteer, and philanthropic sectors in Genesee County for over four decades. Sybyl embraced the concept that -- through volunteerism and deeply felt civic engagement -- a better future for all is within reach. Central to her work was the development and mentoring of others so that they might fulfill their personal aspirations and optimize their own capacities to make this a better world.

The **SYBYL Award** is designed to highlight Sybyl's many remarkable attributes and to annually acknowledge someone (or sometimes more than one person) in our community who exemplifies Sybyl's energy, outlook, passion for social and economic justice, and dedication to helping others.

THE CRITERIA

The man or woman who receives the **SYBYL Award** must meet each of the following criteria:

1. Demonstrates leadership through excellence, creativity, and commitment, exemplified in their profession, civic engagement, and/or volunteer efforts
2. Provides valuable service to improve the quality of life for others, especially for individuals who are marginalized in our society
3. Possesses a history of connecting people with community resources, either for helping themselves or others
4. Builds a stronger community by creating and nurturing new connections among diverse individuals and groups of people
5. Mentors and inspires others to realize their own potential to make a difference
6. Resides and work/volunteer in Genesee County

Nominations for the **SYBYL Award** must be submitted using this nomination form. You may include up to three additional pages of supporting documents (e.g. additional essay, nominee résumé, newspaper articles, etc.). *Note: Supporting documents will not be returned, so please submit copies only.*

Note to the nominator: Countless people in Genesee County perform their jobs excellently and admirably, as did Sybyl. However, we are looking for nominees who go above and beyond what their job requires. Sybyl worked selflessly and was never "off the clock." Your nominee should do the same.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT

The **SYBYL Award** recipient will be chosen by a Selection Committee that will review the nominations after the submission deadline (Friday, Oct. 12). The **SYBYL Award** recipient(s) will be announced at the annual SYBYL Awards on the evening of Thursday, December 6, 2018. **For more information on this event or on the SYBYL Award nomination process, please contact Lindsey Younger at sybylaward2018@gmail.com or 810.813.5709 or visit online at SybylAward.com**

2018 SYBYL Award Nomination Form (due by Friday, October 12, 2018)

Date: _____

Submit nomination to: sybylaward2018@gmail.com or
Sybyl Award Selection Committee c/o Lindsey Younger
13029 Harbor Landings Drive Fenton, MI 48430

INFORMATION ABOUT THE NOMINEE:

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Nominee must be a resident of **and work/volunteer in Genesee County.*

City: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Organization Name: _____

Title/Position: _____

Business Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

NOMINATOR:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Nominations and a photo (for use the day of the Awards program) of the nominee must be received by Friday, October 12, 2018.

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SHORT ANSWERS

DIRECTIONS: The following categories help explain who Sybyl was and why we believe she was worthy of emulation. Please help the Selection Committee understand who your nominee is by providing short answers to the following.

1. How has your nominee demonstrated spirited leadership, excellence, creativity, and a zestful commitment that is exemplified through his or her professional accomplishments, civic engagement activities, and/or volunteer efforts?
2. Describe what underlies your nominee's "humanitarian impulses" and provide examples of how the nominee has given valuable service to improve the quality of life for others, especially people who have been marginalized and left out of society?
3. How has the nominee gone above and beyond to connect people with the resources they need to improve their own circumstances or those of others?
4. How has the nominee worked to connect disparate individuals with each other, thus fostering a new sense of community among people and organizations that leads to new synergies, new collaborations, and new ways of helping others?
5. In what ways has the nominee mentored, developed, and *INSPIRED* others to help them realize their own potential to make a positive difference in the community?

6. Is there any special quality or unique attribute your nominee possesses that you weren't able to mention above, but would like to?

Please submit completed nominations no later than Friday, Oct. 12, 2018 to:
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