

E.B. Lemon Distinguished Alumni Award

Sponsored by the OSU Alumni Association | **Nominations due May 1, 2026**

The OSU Alumni Association has established the E.B. Lemon Distinguished Alumni Award to recognize and honor former OSU students who have made significant contributions to society, and whose accomplishments and careers have brought credit to OSU. The award does more than honor these former students. It spotlights the accomplishments of OSU and thereby increases the pride in our Alma Mater by all associated with the University. The award also presents to the people of Oregon and the nation tangible evidence of the effectiveness of the progress of our university.

Eligibility Considerations:

1. Performed specific, meritorious service which reflects the quality and advancement of Oregon State University.
2. Achieved distinction in his/her business or professional life.
3. Demonstrated distinguished human service in community affairs at the local, state, national or international level.
4. Had been enrolled in OSU as a student (graduate/undergraduate), at least 20 years prior to nomination, as a student in good standing, for a minimum of one academic year.
5. Be an individual who, in deeds and action, reflects and recognizes the importance of his or her education at OSU, who demonstrates pride in the Alma Mater, and whose interest in and loyalty to OSU are evident.
6. Be a person of such integrity, stature and demonstrated ability, that the faculty, staff, students and alumni will take pride in and be inspired by his or her recognition.
7. In addition, please highlight how your nominees' service and accomplishments relate to one or more of the following areas:
 - Supported and/or activated change within industry, local community and/or OSU community in respect to diversity, equity, inclusion and social justice.
 - Supported governmental and community advocacy efforts for Oregon State University, OSU Alumni Association and/or OSU Foundation's education efforts, research and programs.
 - Supported students and graduates with career advice and connections to alumni, donors and friends and/or providing their career expertise to university leadership, faculty and staff to guide outreach and educational efforts of the OSU community.
 - Supported engagement activities designed to cultivate stewardship and donations, and/or help to strengthen the OSU community.

Those Ineligible for Nominations:

1. A candidate or an electrical official for any public office.
2. Anyone currently serving as a member of the OSU Board of Trustees, OSU Alumni Board of Directors or OSU Foundation Board of Trustees; and/or an OSU Alumni Association, OSU Foundation, INTO OSU or Oregon State University employee.

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Who would you like to nominate for this award:

Name: _____
Email address: _____
Home address: _____
Primary Phone: _____ Alternative Phone: _____
LinkedIn: _____

Who is making this nomination:

Name: _____
OSU Dept: _____
Email address: _____
Primary/
Work Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Please include with your nomination:

- This nomination cover page
- A letter of nomination which includes the reason this person was chosen to be nominated and how they meet all the award criteria.
- Schools Attended/Dates/Academic Degrees
- Occupation/Profession
- Civic Organizations and Affiliations
- Local, State, National or International activities
- OSU Affiliations/Activities since graduation
- Exceptional Achievement or Contribution in his/her chosen field(s)
- Honors and Awards received
- Other supporting documentation such as newspaper articles, links to videos and/or presentations with a short summary describing the content for each link, letters of reference, etc.

Email documents in one message to osualum@osualum.com with subject line: Black and Orange Awards or send paper files to: OSU Alumni Association, 204 CH2M HILL Alumni Center, Corvallis, OR 97331.

Additional notes about nominations:

- Nominations for the award are encouraged from any source.
- All nominations shall be kept confidential.
- If a nominee is not selected in the first year, their file will remain active for two years following their nomination.