Outstanding Young Alumni of Achievement Award

Purpose
The Outstanding Young Alumni of Achievement Award is one of the highest honors bestowed by the UAH Alumni Association. Created in 2018, the award is presented to a UAH alumnus/alumna who is 40 years of age or younger. The recipient must have shown outstanding achievement in his/her profession or field, demonstrated exemplary service to the community, and supported the University in meaningful ways.

The Outstanding Young Alumni of Achievement honoree is selected by a committee in collaboration with the UAH academic deans, president of the University, and the Alumni Association Board of Directors. The committee includes, but is not limited to, the vice president of University Advancement, president of the UAH Alumni Association, a member of the UAH Alumni Association Board of Directors appointed by the president of the UAH Alumni Association, and the executive director of the UAH Alumni Association. When feasible, two previous Alumni of Achievement honorees serve as selection committee members or as consultants to the selection committee. The final selection is confirmed by the UAH Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Criteria
- A nominee must have a demonstrated, verifiable record of success as a professional or community leader.
  - Nominators are asked to submit the following information on their nominee:
    - A completed nomination form
    - A letter of recommendation completed by a current or past faculty or staff member OR current or past member of the UAH Alumni Association Board of Directors
  - Nominees may not be a current Alumni Board member.
  - Nominees may not be a current full-time UAH employee.
  - Nominees must have earned a bachelor’s degree or higher from UAH. Exceptions to this will be handled on a case-by-case basis. However, nominees must meet the 32 semester hours necessary to qualify as a UAH alumnus/alumna.
  - Nominees must be 40 years of age or younger at the time of the nomination.
  - Preference will be given to nominees who are donors to the University.


Awards will be announced following selection and confirmation by the UAH Alumni Association Board of Directors in June and will be presented by the UAH Alumni Association at the Alumni of Achievement Awards in October 2018.

Submitting a nomination does not guarantee selection as an award honoree. Please do not notify your nominee of his/her nomination. All nominations are asked to be kept confidential. Any nominees not selected as an award honoree may be retained on file for one additional award cycle for consideration as one of next year’s honorees.