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Nominations accepted for OUAA awards

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This fall marks the 10th anniversary of the **Oakland University Alumni Association** (OUAA) Awards Banquet, which brings together alumni and supporters to celebrate those who enthusiastically share their time, energy and talents with the university.

Nominations currently are being sought for the 2004 OUAA Alumni Awards, including the Distinguished Alumni Service, Alumni Achievement, Odyssey, Spirit and Honorary Alumnus/a awards. While this is the 10th anniversary of the banquet, the Distinguished Alumni Service Award, the university's highest honor, dates back to 1976.

"The awards banquet is a special opportunity to bring alumni and the community together," Director of Alumni Relations Adrienne Bass said. "Every year as the event grows in recognition, the selection process becomes increasingly more difficult as the nominations process unveils an incredible pool of talented and inspiring alumni."

The winners are selected by a committee made up of former recipients, OUAA members and OUAA Board of Directors. Nomination forms are available on the **OU Alumni** Web site. The deadline for nominations is Friday, May 21, at 5 p.m.

This year's banquet is planned for Saturday, Nov. 6, in the Oakland Center Ballrooms.

Recipients will be selected in the following categories:

Distinguished Alumni Service Award recognizing outstanding alumni leadership in service to the Alumni Association or the university.

Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award recognizing outstanding professional achievement or service to a community.

Spirit Award, which recognizes exemplary volunteer service to the university.

Odyssey Award recognizing alumni whose lives exemplify Oakland University's motto, "to seek courage and knowledge."

Honorary Alumnus/a Award recognizing non-OU alumni/ae who have given outstanding service to the university.

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