



Each year, the ariZoni Theatre Awards Board of Directors accepts applications for **the Kyle Lawson Outstanding Contribution Award (OCA)**, and **the Max McQueen Distinguished Service Award (DSA)**. Please refer to the guidelines in this letter when submitting nominees for either of these categories.

The **Kyle Lawson Outstanding Contribution Award** honors an individual from within the theatre community who has served in a profound way through personal investment of time, energy, vision and talent. This award can be bestowed upon administrators, directors, writers, producers, designers, actors, technicians, volunteers, support staff, or any individual involved in theatre who has made a considerable impact on theatre throughout the entire Valley. Past recipients include individuals who have impacted youth, community and professional theater. Judy Rollings, the late David Wo, Helen K. Mason, David Saar, Kyle Lawson, Max McQueen, Val Stasik, David Barker, Ron Hunting, Matthew Weiner and Michael Barnard. All of these individuals have shown great vision for theatre in the Phoenix metropolitan area, and have been of exceptional service to theatre, individuals and the community at large.

The **Max McQueen Distinguished Service Award** honors an individual, corporation, or organization outside the established theatre community that has contributed either financially or non-traditionally, in support of local theatre, and its further recognition, security and growth in the Valley. The recipient needs to have impacted many and all types of theatres. Past recipients of this include Shelley Cohn for her advocacy on behalf of the arts in Arizona, Target for its financial contributions, Business Volunteers for the Arts for their dedication to the support of the theatre community, The Virginia G. Piper Charitable Trust, The Phoenix Arts Commission, Alliance for Audiences, Durant Communications, and the Ford Dealers Association.

Please see the applications for each of these awards on the ariZoni Theatre Awards home page (www.arizoniawards.org). You may type these applications online and print and scan them before emailing them in, or, if you prefer, copy the applications, and forward them on to other members of your theatre. We know there are many deserving individuals, businesses, and corporations in our theatre community. **We hope that you will take the time to recognize someone or some group who has helped your theatre and many others find success.**

For questions or further information visit our website, or contact the ariZoni Board of Directors at arizonihelp@gmail.com.

The deadline for submitting these applications each year is **August 15th**.

Email applications to arizonihelp@gmail.com

Applications must be received by midnight on or before August 15th.