



Together We're Making a Difference!

We invite you to nominate individuals for Rhode Island's 2015 Self-Advocacy Awards. This is a great opportunity to let Self-Advocates and friends who support the RI Self-Advocacy Movement know how much you appreciate them! **Nominations are due by Thursday, October 1st.** Winners will be notified by October 15th, and formally announced during the awards luncheon on Thursday, October 29th, 2015, at Rhode Island's 20th Annual Statewide Conference, ***Now More Than Ever!***

Award winners, and the person who nominates them, receive a free registration to attend the Conference Day. If the person you nominate wins, you will help present their award during the luncheon ceremony. The person who wins can also invite 2 lunch guests. Lunch tickets for additional guests are available for \$20 per person. (Note: previous Self-Advocacy award winners are not eligible.)

2015 SELF-ADVOCACY AWARDS!



**BROKEN
RECORD**

The Broken Record Award

We call this the "broken record" award because it reminds us of a person who doesn't take "NO" for an answer. They may keep repeating the same message over and over again because it's something they believe in.

This award is given to a Self-Advocate who is good at speaking up for themselves and others. If you know a person with a disability who is very determined, sticks to their beliefs and follows their dreams, then nominate them for this award! After all, speaking up about the things that are important in life is what Self-Advocacy is all about!



LEADERSHIP

The Leadership Award

This award is given to a Self-Advocate, or Self-Advocacy group, that has demonstrated genuine leadership qualities. While many Self-Advocates are great at speaking up for themselves, leaders are those people who also help others to find and use their own voice. The things that a genuine leader does, and the way that they live their lives, make a positive difference for others who have a developmental disability.

We give this award to remember past leaders of the Rhode Island Self-Advocacy Movement who are no longer with us, and to honor the leaders of today. If you know one of those leaders, we hope you'll nominate them for this award!



**FRIEND OF
SELF-ADVOCACY**

The Friend of Self-Advocacy Award

There are some people here in Rhode Island who do a lot to support Self-Advocacy, but they never "blow their own horn". These friends volunteer their time and go above and beyond to help individuals and local Self-Advocacy groups grow.

If you know someone who fits that description, please nominate them so we can give them some of the praise they deserve. ***Remember, TOGETHER we're making a difference!***

Mail your nominations no later than
Thursday, October 1st
Advocates in Action Rhode Island
Box 41528, Providence RI 02940-1528

Visit us on-line to find out more about
Now More Than Ever
RI's 20th Annual Statewide Self-Advocacy Conference
www.advocatesinaction.org



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Who are you nominating? *(you can't nominate yourself):*

Your Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

Fax:

Email:

Contact Information for the person you're nominating: *(How do we reach this person if they win?)*

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

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Email:

Which award are you nominating this person for? *(circle only one)*



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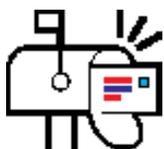
LEADERSHIP



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Tell us why you are nominating this person. Why should they win? *Use extra paper if needed.*

Your Signature: _____ Date: _____



Send Nominations no later than **Thursday, October 1st**

Mail to:

Advocates in Action RI

Box 41528, Providence, RI 02940

Call or email us with any questions:

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