Nominations for the **Outstanding ACDA Student Chapter Award** are currently being accepted until 11:59 p.m. CT, January 15, 2021.

The winner of the Outstanding Student Chapter will be announced at the 2021 ACDA national conference.

The Outstanding Student Chapter Award was established by the American Choral Directors Association in 1978 as a means for recognizing an ACDA student chapter which, through its activities, best supports the advancement of choral music. The award consists of a plaque that becomes the permanent property of the winning chapter and two awards: **$250 to the student chapter** and a **complimentary conference registration for an officer or designated representative of the chapter to attend the national conference** and receive the award for the chapter.

Anyone may nominate an ACDA student chapter for this honor. Incomplete nominations will not be considered. Please include the following **documentation**:

1. A description of chapter activities for the last two years which relates to the criteria below.
2. Other supporting materials such as programs, newsletters, articles, etc.
3. Letters of support for the nomination from the administrative chair and the chapter advisor.
4. The number of chapter members and the total number of music majors within your department or school of music.

A committee of choral professionals are looking for the following **criteria** to determine the recipient of the Outstanding Student Chapter Award (not necessarily in order of importance):

1. Level of impact on the professional development of its chapter members.
2. Level of impact on the local/state/regional choral community in which the chapter resides.
3. Innovative and engaging offerings presented by the chapter.

Applications must be submitted online (https://acda.org/resources-for-student-members/outstanding-acda-student-chapter-award/) by midnight Central time on January 15, 2021.

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