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Rainbow Alliance for Youth (RAY) 2011 Leadership Awards

The 2011 RAY Leadership Awards will be announced the week of April 23, 2012 in six (6) categories and recognize the significant contributions of individuals and organizations in the important work of LGBT youth development in the past year (for 2011). **Nominations are due February 20, 2012** and will be reviewed immediately by an awards committee consisting of youth and adult advisors. Individuals and organizations may make one or more nominations, but only one nomination per category (i.e., you may make up to 6 nominations, but not two in a single category).

Nominations must be submitted by 4:00 PM on Monday, February 20, 2012. Each nomination form must be complete; since a team of individuals will be reviewing them, thoughtful, clear responses will likely be more favorably considered.

Youth Leadership Award (14 to 18). This award honors the youth whose contributions to her/himself and his/her peers deserve acknowledgement. This youth is dreaming big, taking on challenges, and moving toward a big life.

Youth Leadership Award (19 to 24). This award honors the young adult whose increasing acceptance of responsibility includes continued learning, an interest in being mentored or coached, and fostering the development of other youth.

Adult Ally Award. The successful nominee for this award is an adult lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or heterosexual ally to youth who develops both interpersonal connections with young people and works to eliminate adultism in some specific setting. They do not need to be affiliated with the Rainbow Alliance.

LGBT Youth Program Award. Any RAY member program or other LGBT youth program in Wisconsin may be nominated for this award. However, selection criteria will be based on their development of one or more specific Program Pillars of the Rainbow Alliance.

Youth Development Specialist (YDS) Award. This award is only open to youth development specialists (YDS) in the Rainbow Alliance. Ideally nominated by youth in their own programs, the YDS whose nomination best illustrates dedication, self-care, and modeling healthy development will receive the award.

Youth Community Partner Award. From individual donors to foundations and corporations, RAY member groups are supported by community partners. This award will be given to the person or organization that provides financial, volunteer, or emotional support to the Rainbow Alliance or any of its member groups.

Submit completed nominations forms to Diverse & Resilient, Inc., 2439 N Holton St, Milwaukee, WI 53212 or fax to 414-390-9980. An electronic version may be emailed as an attachment to rfederlin@diverseandresilient.org. The deadline applies regardless of the method of submission.



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Identify with a check mark in which area this nomination is being made:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Leadership Award (14 to 18) | <input type="checkbox"/> LGBT Youth Program Award |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Leadership Award (19 to 24) | <input type="checkbox"/> YDS Award |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Ally Award | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Partner Award |

Name of Nominee _____

Your name _____ Your Contact phone number (____) _____

Your email address _____

Please answer each of the five (5) questions below completely.

You may attach additional pages but do not exceed 3 pages total.

- 1. What motivates this person (or organization) to do the important work of LGBT youth development?**

- 2. What examples can you give of this person's (or organization's) dedication to doing LGBT youth development work?**

- 3. How does this person's (or organization's) efforts embody the spirit of service?**

- 4. What specific accomplishments merit an award?**

- 5. Please review the criteria for the specific award for which you are making this nomination. How does this person or organization meet those criteria?**

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