The following criteria should be considered when selecting a Region Art Educator of the Year

1. Membership and participation in NYSATA. Current membership in good standing is required with a minimum of the past two years. Active participation in local and state activities is expected.

2. Outstanding teaching in the field of Art Education.

3. Leadership or service to NYSATA at the regional level.

4. Development of an outstanding program in the field of Art Education at the local and regional level.

5. Ability to motivate and inspire others including students, colleagues, and community members.

6. Professional contributions such as development at the local, regional, and/or state levels through participation in conferences, design and presentation of workshops, participation in panels, exhibition of own artwork, and hosting of media events, etc.

7. Contributions to curriculum design and development at the local, regional, and/or state level.

8. Advancement of the cause of Art Education through strong advocacy and leadership.

9. Awareness of and/or contributions to the body of knowledge in the field of Art Education at the local or regional levels through research, publication and/or exhibitions.

Regions or individuals may choose to nominate past Region Art Educator winners for the NYS Art Educator of the Year Award in subsequent years. For further guidance in selecting a strong Region Art Educator please refer to the NYS Art Educator of the Year Rubric for evaluation criteria.

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