



Hall of Fame: The ALATA Hall of Fame is designed to recognize and honor those members of our State who performed extraordinary service and brought honor to the profession of athletic training and have distinguished themselves throughout the years in the service of athletic training, particularly at the ALATA level. Service at local, state, and national levels is considered but service to ALATA is the primary consideration. Minimum eligibility requirements include 15 years as a certified member working or living in Alabama and at least 20 years of service in the profession.

While nominations are taken each year, the Hall of Fame ceremony and lunch will take place every three years. The next ceremony and Dinner will take place May 2018.

Award of Merit: The highest award given to a member of the Alabama Athletic Trainers Association. Its purpose is to recognize the person that has worked for the state on a district and/or national level. It is a way to distinguish one who has brought honor and recognition to the state. A distinction reserved for the most able of professionals in the field of athletic training.

Sports Medicine Person of the Year: This award is given to the person that has contributed to ALATA and athletic training as a profession. Both medical and non-medical persons have been recipients of this award. This award is the highest award given to a person who may not be an athletic trainer and is designed to show the state's appreciation for particular contributions to the field of athletic training in Alabama.

High School Athletic Trainer Award: This is an opportunity to recognize someone in the state on the secondary school level. This honoree has made a major impact on their communities and institution. Many of these people may not have had their chance to serve on the State or District levels. However, their importance has been seen in the state and communities where they reside. They have contributed to the growth and awareness of the profession of athletic training.

College/University Athletic Trainer Award: This award will recognize an athletic trainer at the college/university level for service to the institution, the community, as well as ALATA. This person serves many functions in addition to athletic training.

Clinic/Industrial/Corporate Athletic Trainer Award: We will honor an athletic trainer that has represented our profession well in a clinic, industrial or corporate environment. This venue of service enlightens the public to the many benefits of having an athletic trainer in the workplace.

Sponsors Award: ALATA is very appreciative of our many friends that have supported athletic trainers through the years. We honor those who have made an impact on our organization through their contributions.

Nominations for ALATA Awards/Honors

For a complete list of criteria for the awards and honors bestowed by ALATA, please check [here](#). All recipients (with the exception of Sports Medicine Person of the Year) and Sponsors Award) must be members of the Alabama Athletic Trainers Association. **Deadline for submitting nominations for 2017 is April 1.**

Only ALATA members may formally nominate candidates for awards. Non-ALATA members may contact the respective [ALATA Honors and Awards Committee](#) Representative to suggest a nomination and provide appropriate documentation. Nominations open after the Annual ALATA Members Meeting and remain so until the following March. Online nominations are automatically forwarded to Committee members when submitted and archived via the website for further committee review. Written nominations may be made to the [ALATA Honors and Awards Committee](#) members who will, in turn, post the nominee's information online for all of the committee to review. Honors and Awards Committee members may also nominate candidates for awards.