

ARTICLE VIII. DISTINGUISHED WOMEN AWARDS

1. The AAUW of Utah will honor a Distinguished Woman from each branch. Each Distinguished Woman will be honored for her outstanding personal qualifications and her contributions to society.
2. Selections.

Each branch will select its Distinguished Woman.

 - a. The branch president may ask the branch members, branch board of directors or a special branch committee to determine who shall be the branch's Distinguished Woman.
 - b. Each branch shall make have only one Distinguished Woman to be honored by AAUW of Utah.
 - c. A Distinguished Woman must be living in the state of Utah and meet the criteria listed below. Branches are encouraged to consider local women.
 - d. Each branch should have the consent of the nominee and a Summary of Involvement and Accomplishments shall be submitted.
 - e. The branch president shall mail the Distinguished Woman's Summary of Involvement and Accomplishments to:
 - i. the Program Vice President
 - ii. Sejo Lily editor
3. Criteria for Distinguished Women

The Distinguished Woman

 - a. Shall have a minimum of a baccalaureate degree
 - b. Need not be a member of AAUW
 - c. Shall be a bona fide resident of the state of Utah
 - d. Shall have made contributions to society on a local, state, or national level.
 - e. In keeping with AAUW please remember the Distinguished Woman shall be a nonpartisan person.
4. The Summary of Involvement and Accomplishments (one page)
 - a. Shall contain her vital information and activities
 - b. List of commitment to women's equity and advancement
 - c. List of commitment to education
 - d. List of volunteer contributions
 - e. List of professional achievements
 - f. List of contributions to AAUW's areas of interest
5. The Award
 - a. Each branch Distinguished Woman shall receive an award (possibly an item from the AAUW store) and a certificate.
 - b. The budget for the Distinguished Women awards shall be established at the beginning of each fiscal year. The current costs of the awards, certificates and postage shall be considered by the finance committee when preparing the annual state budget.
 - c. The acknowledgement of each Distinguished Woman shall be made at the annual state convention accompanied by the appropriate branch and state publicity.
6. Procedures
 - a. The Program Vice President shall appoint an individual to print the certificates and purchase the awards.
 - b. Each branch president shall present their Distinguished Woman at the state convention and give her the certificate and award.