Outstanding Transgender Advocate of the Year Award

The Office of LGBT Life is proud to announce the 2014-2015 Transgender Advocate of the Year Award. This award honors an individual, department, or organization that has made meaningful contributions to Emory’s transgender, gender variant, transsexual, genderqueer, and gender questioning people throughout the past year. The Transgender Advocate of the Year Award winner will have demonstrated contributions that resulted in the creation or improvement of an inclusive, respectful, and safe climate for the transgender community and their allies thereby furthering the mission of the Office of LGBT Life, and promoting acceptance, equality and diversity in the Emory University community.

The award(s) recognizes individuals, departments, or organizations at Emory University who have made significant contributions and improvements at Emory University in one or more areas of:

- Creating inclusive and accessible environments, physical and/or social, for transgender, gender variant, transsexual, genderqueer, gender questioning people
- Activism and advocacy on behalf of transgender, gender variant, transsexual, genderqueer, gender questioning people including policy work
- Education of Emory community members on concerns of transgender, gender variant, transsexual, genderqueer, gender questioning people through education opportunities, increased visibility, and/or other similar works
- Outreach to various community constituents to increase collaboration, effectiveness, and/or efficiency in improving climate and/or resources for transgender, gender variant, transsexual, genderqueer, gender questioning people

The nomination materials should include a description of specific demonstrable examples of how the nominee has led and/or participated in one or more of the activities listed above.

Please note that nominations are open to all individuals regardless of sexual orientation or gender expression.

Previous winners of the Outstanding Transgender Advocate of the Year Award include:

2011 Vin Tangpricha
2012 Matt Garrett
2013 Hal Jones
2014 Samantha Allen 15G
2015 Zebulun Treloar-Reid 15T
2016 JoAnn McKenzie