

PURPOSE: To encourage leadership, participation and professional development in the Knoxville Area Association of REALTORS®. The goal is to have members that are active and better educated about our Association and the real estate industry, resulting in a higher level of professionalism and improved service and cooperation between REALTORS® while promoting the REALTOR® image. Recognition will be given to REALTORS® who began their real estate career and were approved for membership by the Board of Directors between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2009.

AWARDS: The Rising Star Award winner, along with four Rising Star nominees, will be recognized at the Annual Installation and Awards Banquet. One outstanding nominee will be named the Rising Star and will receive an award for his/her achievement. The Rising Star Award winner will also receive paid registration for the Tennessee Association of REALTORS® Spring Conference.

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must have been approved for membership between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2009 regardless of when they were licensed or made application to the Association. They must be new to the business and not have practiced real estate prior to this. Only one Rising Star Award will be given to an individual during their career. Rising Star nominees who are recognized at the Installation and Awards Banquet are encouraged to re-apply.

CRITERIA: Candidates will be judged on the following criteria:

Involvement in the local, state or national Associations including attendance at meetings, functions and conventions sponsored by REALTOR® Associations, institutes, and councils.

Ethics as demonstrated by their faithfulness to the principles of the Association of REALTORS® Bylaws and Code of Ethics, efforts to promote good real estate practices, and co-operation with fellow REALTORS®.

Education and Designations earned or Candidate for Designations. Points will be earned for education classes taken, becoming a candidate for a designation and or receiving a designation.

Community Service including participation in civic, service and community organizations of which candidate is a member.

Talents as a salesperson as demonstrated by their units sold and or dollar volume of sales.

Participation in "Get Active" and/or RPAC.

Testimonial letter from one client detailing outstanding professional services along with a letter of recommendation from the nominee's Broker within the year the award is being pursued.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. No application fee required.
2. Applicants may submit their own application or may be submitted by his/her Broker or fellow REALTOR.
3. Awards shall be for the calendar year.
4. Deadline for submission will be the first working day of January of each year, no exceptions.

COMMITTEE: The President shall select committee members yearly, and it shall be called the Rising Star Award Committee. The committee shall review and approve acceptable applications.

ADVERTISING: All advertising must contain the full name "Knoxville Area Association of REALTORS® Rising Star Award Winner" and the year obtained.

Rising Star Award Nomination Form

Knoxville Area Association of REALTORS

1. Name of Nominee: _____

2. Nominee's Business Address: _____

3. When did Nominee complete the Association's New Member Orientation? _____

4. When was nominee first licensed in Tennessee? _____

5. Has nominee been previously licensed in another state? _____

6. List all involvement Nominee has had in the Local, State and/or National Association of REALTORS.
(Committee service, attendance at TAR/ NAR conventions, attendance at local KAAR meetings, etc.)
Attach documentation if applicable: _____

7. Ethics and Cooperation (Letter of recommendation from Principal Broker and clients addressing nominee's ethics, cooperation and professionalism): _____

8. Community Service (Active involvement in civics, service & community organizations). Attach documentation if applicable. _____

