

Call for Nominations for the National Hearing Conservation Association's Media Award.

Raising awareness about the prevention of noise-induced hearing loss and its persistent prevalence is an important mission of the National Hearing Conservation Association (NHCA).

The NHCA Media Award was established in 1993 to recognize the efforts of writers and/or producers of news features that serve to heighten public awareness of the hazards of noise at work and at play. It is also available to NHCA members who take the time and effort to bring hearing loss prevention-related issues into public awareness. Nominations for this award may be made by non-NHCA members; NHCA members are encouraged to nominate themselves as well.

The NHCA Media award has been given in the recent past to *The New York Times*, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, the National Institute of Deafness and other Communication Disorders of NIH, and to individual professionals who have taken it upon themselves to make it clear to the public that noise-induced hearing loss is 100% preventable.

Nominations must be submitted to the NHCA Executive Director by no later than COB **Friday, August 30, 2013** using a form that may be found at: <http://www.hearingconservation.org/associations/10915/files/NHCAMediaAwardNominationForm2014.pdf>. Nominations will be reviewed by the Nominations Task Force, and a winner will be selected for final approval by NHCA's President.

A copy of the news feature, article, and/or the video or specific information **must** be submitted along with the nomination. All media forms including video tapes will be retained unless otherwise directed. The award form may also be accessed from NHCA's home page at: <http://www.hearingconservatoin.org> and by selecting the **Awards** button from the banner strip on the left of side of the page.