



## Young Patronesses of the Opera Educator of Note Application Form

*In 1993, Karyn Herterich, YPO President 1989-90, initiated an award in memory of her mother Ethel Malcomb Kennedy, as well as to honor past president Louise Todaro for her many years for excellence and dedication in opera education.*

*This award rewards outstanding Miami- Dade County elementary school teachers in public, private and parochial schools who creatively motivate and inspire young children in the field of music education. Each year, YPO awards one outstanding teacher with a \$2,000 cash prize, a Waterford apple, and another small gift.*

*Applicants must be actively teaching in Miami-Dade County at the elementary school level; must have at least 3 years teaching experience; and must be nominated by one person (person may be a principal or, fellow teacher). All eligible teachers interested in applying should **fill out the application form below and be sure to type all information, (including the questionnaire following this application).** We encourage additional letters of recommendations, photos, DVD's and any other information you feel would be helpful in our review. The winner will be notified in April of the awarded year. Thank you for applying!*

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_, Florida Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate phone Number (school or mobile -- please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School in Dade County: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_, Florida Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

School Principal: \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Enrollment: \_\_\_\_\_ Total number of Years Teaching: \_\_\_\_\_

Teaching Field: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade or Levels Taught: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator: \_\_\_\_\_ (may be Principal)

Signature of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: This form along with the questionnaire must be completed and sent with 2 letter of recommendations plus any other information that you feel would be helpful (DVD's, photos, etc.) before the deadline.**

**APPLICATIONS DEADLINE IS March 12, 2010.**

Send Application to: Mrs. Sheri Swanson - Educator of Note Award  
1426 NE 105<sup>th</sup> Street – Miami Shores, FL 33138



**Educator of Note Application Questions**

*(Please type your responses. Your responses can be as long as you feel is necessary.)*

- 1) Briefly discuss your beliefs about the importance of opera education for children and youth.**



- 2) **Describe any personal (not necessarily related to the job) activities you are involved in that promote opera education in particular and music education in general.**



- 3) Briefly describe programs, projects or other activities related to opera education for which you have taken leadership in schools and/or community for each of the last three years.



- 4) List programs, projects or other activities related to opera education for which you have taken leadership prior to the last three years.



- 5) List any awards or recognition you or your students have received that are related to opera education or music education.**



- 6) List any recommendations you might wish to make for strategies, programs, projects, etc, to extend current levels of opera education to a wider population of students and adults.**