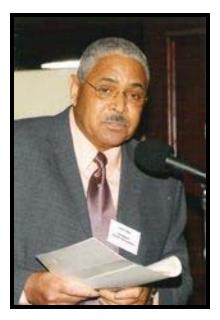


Calvin Miles Award for Student Leadership Call for Nominations



The Mayor's Office of Adult Education is accepting nominations for the Calvin Miles Award for Student Leadership. The award honors the life and work of Calvin Miles, a tireless advocate for education and adult learners.

Calvin Miles was a leader in the fight for literacy and adult education for over 25 years. He grew up in Gaston, North Carolina, sharecropping with his family. His life on the farm limited his formal education, but he learned to read and write at the age of 39 in New York City.

Calvin became an ardent advocate for the voices of adult learners and for their rights to equal participation in American society. In particular, he argued, consistently and cogently, for students' right to play a significant role in shaping their own education.

Calvin played a major role in the founding of local and national adult student organizations, spoke at the United Nations, and initiated an Adult Education Bill of Rights. Calvin believed that all voices are important and that listening and learning from others is essential. Calvin never forgot that literacy is the key to changing lives and recognized that adult education and social justice are intertwined.

Calvin was a friend and mentor to many people in the field of adult education. He passed away in January 2009.

Thanks to Lynne Sherman for biographical information.



Calvin Miles Award for Student Leadership

The purpose of the Calvin Miles Award for Student Leadership is to support and promote student leadership. This award honors Calvin Miles, an organizer and advocate for adult learners everywhere. He fought for a student-centered education system to meet their needs.

The Calvin Miles Award will be given to five outstanding students or recent graduates (alumni) of the adult education system. We are looking for learners who are empowered partners in adult education.

Adult learners are vital partners in their own education. The more involved they are in their education, the better they will do. Adult learners can help other students do well, too. Some students and alumni take this role seriously and do important things to help other students and to make their programs go well. They may be peer mentors, tutors or counselors. Some learners may also help organize other students to advocate for themselves, for their programs and for the adult education system as a whole. They may help out in other ways, too.

We call these adult learners "student leaders" and we would like to honor up to five student leaders with the Calvin Miles award. Student leaders help their fellow students and make the adult education system work better for everyone. They can be found in every part of the adult education system including ESOL, ABE, ASE, GED, BENL, and in college.

The Mayor's Office of Adult Education will present the awards at a conference on student leadership later this year.

Calvin Miles Award for Student Leadership



Who is eligible for this award?

Current students or recent graduates of the City's adult education system are eligible. This includes students and alumni from ESOL, ABE, ASE/Pre-GED, GED and BENL classes.

Who can nominate someone for the award?

Anyone is welcome to suggest someone they know for the award. This includes students, alumni, teachers, program managers, friends and family, allies and advocates. You must know the person you are nominating for the award.

What do I need to do?

- 1. Fill out the attached nomination form. Include the names of two people who can tell us more about the person you are nominating.
- 2. Answer the 3 questions on the page after the nomination form. Answers can be in bullet points or written in full sentences. You can add more pages if you need to.
- 3. <u>Send in your completed nomination form and answers to the 3 questions no later</u> than June 5, 2009. Please use email, if you can.

Your completed nomination form and answers to the 3 questions must be sent in no later June 5, 2009.

Send your nominations to:
Jeniffer Herrera-Andujar
Mayor's Office of Adult Education

By email: jandujar@cityhall.nyc.gov

By fax: (212) 788-3224

By mail: Mayor's Office of Adult Education

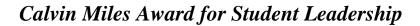
100 Gold Street, 2nd Floor New York, NY 10038

If you have questions, please call (212) 676-0336.

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Nomination Form					2009				
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Please answer these 3 questions. If you need more space for your answers, please attach another page.

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Name of person you are nominating:							
1.	Why do you believe this person should get the Calvin Miles Award? What has she or he done to help other students, the program or the system as a whole? Please be specific.						
2.	What has been the impact of this person's leadership? Who has benefited and how?						
3.	How does the person you are nominating go above and beyond what is expected of them?						