



RSCM Honorary Awards

Awards Criteria

The RSCM Council has agreed the following broad criteria as a normative guide when making nominations for awards. Council will continue to exercise its discretion in making awards.

FRSCM (Fellow of the Royal School of Church Music): an award for achievements in church music and/or liturgy of international significance, or for exceptional musical and/or liturgical work within the RSCM.

ARSCM (Associate of the Royal School of Church Music): an award for achievements in church music and/or liturgy of national significance, or for important musical and/or liturgical work within the RSCM.

HonRSCM (Honorary Member of the Royal School of Church Music): an award for exceptional or very significant work that has contributed to the cause of church music and/or liturgy at international or national levels, or within the RSCM, but which is not primarily musical or liturgical.

Certificate of Special Service: an award for significant administrative work as a voluntary officer or member of staff within the RSCM; or an award for a significant contribution to church music and/or liturgy at a local level.

Nominations

Nominations may be submitted by:

- Members of RSCM Council
- Senior RSCM staff, Regional Co-ordinators
- Chair or Secretary of RSCM Area Committee
- President/Chair or Secretary of RSCM America, RSCM Australia, RSCM Canada, RSCM New Zealand, RSCM South Africa
- Chair or Secretary of a branch of RSCM America, RSCM Australia, RSCM Canada, RSCM New Zealand, RSCM South Africa

Nominations submitted by any other person must be seconded by one of the above.

RSCM is unlikely to be able to act on every nomination. All nominations should therefore be treated with total confidentiality.

Nominations must be received by 1 September each year.

All nominations will be acknowledged. If acknowledgement has not been received by the end of the first working day after 1 September, please contact the RSCM Centre immediately after that date to check whether the nomination has been safely received.

Award Ceremonies

FRSCM, ARSCM, HonRSCM and Certificates of Special Service will normally be awarded at a national RSCM celebration in the UK.

Some RSCM Areas may, if desired, award Certificates of Special Service at an Area festival or other significant local event. Awards relating to members of RSCM America, RSCM Australia, RSCM Canada, RSCM New Zealand and RSCM South Africa may be presented at a significant local body event in their own country, such as a national or branch festival or summer school if the recipient is unable to travel to the UK to receive the Award.

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