**ABO Annual Awards Nomination Form**

**For guidance, please go to page 3.**

**Your details**

*(Nominations cannot be submitted anonymously to ensure that the process remains accountable and transparent. However, the nominee(s) will not be told who made the nomination.)*

Name / Job Title:

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Organisation:

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Email address:

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**Nominee's/Nominees’ details**

Name / Job Title -

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Organisation - Email address -

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**\*If you are nominating a team please specify.**

Please describe in **750** words or less, how the nominee/s has demonstrated the **values** of:

* Inspiration, innovation or collaboration

Please specify which categorythe nomination relates to:

* Equity, diversity and inclusion
* Learning and development
* Green Orchestras
* Health and wellbeing
* Innovation and digital

Nominations are for work in the calendar year of 2024.

Please use a separate sheet if necessary.

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**DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS: 5PM ON 5 December 2024**

Please return the completed nomination form to [fiona@abo.org.uk](mailto:fiona@abo.org.uk) with subject line ‘ABO Annual Awards – nomination’.

Thank you!

**2025 ABO Annual Awards**

**Guidance**

To be presented on **Wednesday 5th February 2025** at the ABO conference in Gateshead.

As the representative body for the UK’s orchestras and the wider music ecology around them, each year the Association of British Orchestras (ABO) celebrates the dedication, inspiration and achievements of the people who work in our sector through the ABO Annual Awards.

We want to celebrate the people who make the UK classical music sector brilliant – whatever their role, or team. This is your moment!

Last year, **the ABO Annual Awards,** previously the **ABO Classical Music Awards,** took a new form. Instead of being linked to specific management roles, we now ask for nominations for individuals or groups of individuals from within the [ABO membership](https://associationofbritishorchestras.createsend1.com/t/r-i-tixqkt-l-y/)  whose work, particular project or initiative demonstrates  **inspiration, innovation** or **collaboration**.

This year, there will be five awards, one for each of the ABO’s priority areas, demonstrating the values above:

1. **Equity, diversity** and **inclusion**
2. **Learning** and **development**
3. **Green orchestras**
4. **Health**and **wellbeing**
5. **Innovation**and **digital.**

As previously, they will not reward on-stage performance.

* Nominations cannot be submitted anonymously to ensure that the process remains accountable and transparent. However, the nominee(s) will not be told who made the nomination.
* Nominations will be reviewed by a judging panel in December 2024. The judging panel will revolve each year to be representative and to reflect sector expertise across the wider ABO membership
* An organisation’s leader will be consulted for comment on the content of shortlisted nominations.
* Shortlisted nominees will be informed and the winners will be announced at the ABO’s annual conference in February 2025.

**Nominations are now open until 5pm on Thursday 5 December 2024.**

Note, the ABO Annual Awards are being presented in addition to the ABO Award, announced last week. [Click here](https://abo.org.uk/what-we-do/championing/awards/abo-award)for more details on the ABO Award.