

Strickland Daniel Mentoring Award

From Ruth E. Fassinger, Ph.D.

This Division 35, Society for the Psychology of Women award recognizes the feminist mentoring of the award winner and honors Bonnie R. Strickland and Jessica Henderson Daniel for their distinguished mentoring.

Bonnie Ruth Strickland has served psychology in many roles and leadership positions, including as President of the American Psychological Association and as a member of the Advisory Council to the National Institute of Mental Health. Through her scholarship and her advocacy, Dr. Strickland provided insight into issues of privilege and barriers to access in relation to race, regionalism, gender, age, and sexual orientation. As a mentor at the national level, she organized formal workshops to assist diverse women in accessing positions of leadership within the organizations and hierarchies of psychology. Throughout her career, Dr. Strickland has demonstrated a generosity of spirit in supporting women in psychology in their pursuit of their goals.

Named as the first recipient of the Bonnie Strickland Distinguished Mentoring Award, Jessica Henderson Daniel was subsequently co-honored in the naming of the award. Dr. Daniel has served psychology in many roles and leadership positions, including as President-Elect of the American Psychological Association and as a founding faculty and Executive Committee member of the APA Leadership Institute for Women in Psychology. She has focused her career primarily on instruction, training, supervision, and mentoring, particularly for women and people of color. Dr. Daniel has developed both formal and informal mentoring networks for graduate students, interns, post-doctoral fellows, and professional psychologists, and she has been an inspirational mentor who teaches others to mentor in turn.

Award Criteria

The award recognizes the feminist mentoring of the award winner whose mentoring includes several of the following components:

- Introduces mentees to professional contacts and networks
- Takes a personal interest in mentees
- Provides coaching, supervision, and consulting to women psychologists in practice
- Develops an inclusive network of professionals and mentees that includes women who are diverse in race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender expression and identity, (dis)ability, nationality, religion, and other cultural/demographic characteristics
- Interacts with mentees in formal, informal, and social settings
- Promotes democratic and non-hierarchical styles of interacting
- Offers formal mentoring events and programs
- Models or discusses issues of managing multiple professional and personal roles

- Provides encouragement and advice to women seeking leadership positions within their agencies and institutions
- Encourages women to participate actively in Division 35 and APA committees and governance

Application Procedure

Send nomination materials via email to the Strickland Daniel Mentoring Award Committee Chair, Ruth E. Fassinger at rfassing@umd.edu. Nomination materials should be collated into one PDF with nominee's name as the file name. Nominations should include and be limited to the following: (a) a nomination letter of not more than four (4) pages indicating the qualifications of the nominee that focus on the award criteria; (b) no more than three (3) supporting letters from colleagues and current and former mentees; and (c) a copy of the nominee's vita. Updated re-submissions of nominations from previous years are welcome.

Application Deadline: April 21, 2017

Committee Chair and Members

The Committee Chair is a past recipient of the Strickland Daniel Mentoring Award. The committee consists of four additional members, each of whom is a member of Division 35, the Society for the Psychology of Women. Committee members review and rate the nomination packets based on the award criteria. Committee members for 2017 are Dr. Kathy McCloskey, Dr. Sue Morrow, Dr. Jill Paquin, and Dr. Laurel Watson.

Award Presentation

When the committee selects an award winner, the awardee is notified immediately and provided with the day and time of the Division 35/SPW Award Ceremony (typically Saturday afternoon at the APA convention, being held this year in Washington, DC). A plaque is presented to the awardee at the ceremony.

Past Recipients of the Strickland Daniel Mentoring Award

2016: Dr. Antonia Abbey, University of Michigan

2015: Dr. Susan Morrow, University of Utah

2014: Dr. Olivia Moorehead-Slaughter, The Park School

2013: Dr. Chris Dunkel Schetter, University of California, Los Angeles and Dr. Michelle Fine, City University of New York

2012: Dr. Ruth E. Fassinger, University of Maryland, College Park and John F. Kennedy University

2011: Dr. Lucia Albino Gilbert, University of Texas, Austin and Santa Clara University

2010: Dr. Silvia Sara Canetto, Colorado State University

2009: Dr. Linda Forrest, University of Oregon

2008: Dr. Marci Lobel, State University of New York, Stony Brook

2007: Dr. Lisa Goodman, Boston College