**2015 Emerging Leaders Awards Nomination Packet – Due Monday, April 6 by 11:59 p.m. ET**

Washington Women in Public Relations’ (WWPR) Emerging Leaders Awards honors three outstanding young women in the Washington, D.C. metro area who have excelled in public relations and related fields. WWPR is the only professional society for women communicators in the greater capital area.

This sixth annual event recognizes rising stars in the industry, and showcases six of the field’s most talented young women (ages 23-30) for their professional accomplishments. These six finalists will be promoted in WWPR materials and on the website. Three honorees from the six finalists will be named at the award ceremony based on their contributions thus far, as well as their potential to contribute to the industry for many years to come, making them truly emerging leaders.

Eligibility requirements and nomination instructions are detailed below. Please direct questions about nomination to Andrea Huggins or Tahira Christmon, WWPR board members and Emerging Leaders Awards co-chairs, at [ela@wwpr.org](mailto:ela@wwpr.org).

**Eligibility Requirements**

* Nominee must be no younger than age 23 and no older than age 30 on June 1, 2015 and reside in the Washington D.C. metropolitan area.
* Nominees must work in one of the following disciplines: media relations, crisis communications, event planning, social media, website communications, strategic communications, community relations, internal communications, speechwriting, public affairs, marketing communications, government communications, investor relations communications, consumer/lifestyle communications, branding and writing/editing.
* Nominee **cannot** be a WWPR board member.
* Nominee must have demonstrated leadership, including contributions to the field, post-college.

**Nomination Instructions**

Please submit the following documents as a **single PDF** to [ela@wwpr.org](mailto:ela@wwpr.org) on Monday, April 6 by 11:59 p.m. ET. Please note, nominations that do not meet the eligibility requirements or provide the three pieces outline below, will **not** be considered.

1. **A completed nomination form.** Please note that sections marked “optional” and “if applicable” do not need to be filled out for the nomination to be considered.
2. A copy of the **nominee’s resume** of post-collegiate work.
3. A copy of the **nominee’s professional biography.**

Self-nominations are accepted.

**2015 Emerging Leaders Awards Nomination Form**

**Contact Information**

**Nominee**

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| Name |  |
| Title |  |
| Company |  |
| Home Address |  |
| Work phone |  |
| Mobile phone |  |
| Email address |  |
| Age (as of June 1, 2015) |  |
| Twitter handle |  |

**Nominator**

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| Name |  |
| Title |  |
| Company |  |
| Work phone |  |
| Mobile phone |  |
| Email address |  |
| Relationship to nominee |  |

**2015 Emerging Leaders Awards Nomination Form (continued)**

**Questionnaire**

1. In 300 words or less, tell us why this nominee should be considered for WWPR’s Emerging Leaders Award. Please provide at least two examples of stellar career accomplishments illustrating how she is serving as an emerging leader in the communications field.
2. Please detail the nominee’s industry contributions, including industry association memberships and accreditation (if applicable).
3. Name any awards the nominee has received (if applicable).
4. Please provide additional recommendations (each 250 words or less) from no more than **two** colleagues or peers. (Please note: These recommendations do not need to be from coworkers, but they should be from individuals who are familiar with the nominee’s work or contributions to the field).
5. Describe the nominee’s out of office activities and accomplishments. Please include any involvement; however, our judges are particularly interested in communications-related work, including mentoring, board or committee membership, pro bono work outside of work hours and other communications-related volunteering.