

Fall Conference  
November 2021

Welcome to Fall Conference. Now it's time to recharge and move toward awards at Convention. Please take a look at the enclosed information about Music Awards presented at Convention. You can also view this information by looking at the Department and National websites.

I am enclosing my contact information as follows:

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I ask that you call or text me should you require assistance. I'm here to help you.

Together we can help by "Making a Brighter World for our Veterans" through Music!

**Narrative:**

Your Program Chairman will need to write a report at the end of the year. If you wish to qualify for a Department Award, you need to include the form and a narrative telling us what your unit has done through out the year within the program. We want to hear about your wonderful activities.

**Book of Awards:**

Find the specific award that you are reporting and determine the criteria that is required. Each award is different. The Book of Awards is available on: [azdeptala.org](http://azdeptala.org).

**Now you're ready to tell your story**

Open with a sentence to draw the reader into your story. Start from the beginning of the Legion Year, including everyone in your American Legion Family. Explain and share stories of your members and their activities. Follow Report Form.

**How did your Unit Promote the Program?**

Use current Department Theme "Making the World Brighter For Our Veterans".

Can also use National Theme

Never use "I" or "we".

Include number of hours.

Include any costs

Photos and copies of Newspaper items are welcome

Alma Mattingly: Music Chairperson

## MUSIC PLAQUES

Frances Aros Memorial Music Plaque awarded to Unit with membership of 151 and over

Millicent Kasun Music Plaque awarded to Unit with membership of 150 and under

**RULES:** 1. Any Unit in the Department of Arizona may receive these awards within their respective membership category.

2. These awards shall become the permanent property of the Unit winning it for three (3) consecutive years. The permanent winner will place another plaque in the Department competition, rules and name remaining the same.

3. The judging of the Unit reports for the awarding of these plaques shall be made prior to the time of each Department Convention by a committee of three (3) appointed by the Department Music Chairman.

4. This committee shall be appointed prior to the opening of each annual Department Convention and shall meet at the call of its Chairman in order that sufficient amount of time and number of meeting may be held for the fair and just judging of the reports of competing Units.

### SCORING:

1. Report covering most of Unit program promoting each phase as much as possible; example, Americanism, important holidays, emphasized program: Children and Youth, etc. 20% Reports must have the majority of questions answered according to Units having facilities and resources available to promote music in the Unit. "Star Spangled Banner" must be sung or some other patriotic hymn at all meetings. If a piano is not available, the hymns can be sung without piano. Units must be resourceful – music can help membership. 20%

2. Report indicating promotion of music in community, church, school, club or some other community project, always emphasizing American Legion Auxiliary program and its importance in the community. 20%

3. Report showing contribution of musical programs to some hospitals, Veterans having preference. Report emphasizing special musical promotion in Junior activities. 20%

4. Report indicating trios, sextets, quartets, choral singing, glee club, soloist instrumental playing. 20%

A typewritten narrative of not more than 1,000 words must accompany the report form. The committee studying the reports involving all the Units must always take into consideration the aspects in awarding the Plaques. Must realize the membership of the Unit and facilities that they have available in promoting music.