CHORUS AMERICA BRAZEAL WAYNE DENNARD AWARD CRITERIA AND SCORING



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INDIVIDUAL CRITERIA – 30 POINTS MAX

Over the course of their career, the applicant has demonstrated an investment in furthering diverse African American choral traditions. Specific examples of performance, recordings (or other methods of dissemination), research, and/or new compositions of significance support the applicant's claims.	10 Points Highly Compelling	8 Points Very Compelling	6 Points Compelling	4 Points Somewhat Compelling	2 Points Minimally Compelling	0 Points Not Compelling
The applicant has demonstrated a sustained commitment to access, diversity, equity, and inclusion in their work.	10 Points Highly Compelling	8 Points Very Compelling	6 Points Compelling	4 Points Somewhat Compelling	2 Points Minimally Compelling	0 Points Not Compelling
The responses in the application support the claim that the work of the nominee has had a meaningful impact on the field in these areas.	5 Points Highly Compelling	4 Points Very Compelling	3 Points Compelling	2 Points Somewhat Compelling	1 Point Minimally Compelling	0 Points Not Compelling
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ORGANIZATION CRITERIA - 30 POINTS MAX

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