Exceptional Creative Accomplishment(s) Award

Nature of the Award. One faculty member each year is awarded the Exceptional Creative Accomplishment(s) Award. The award honors exceptional creativity embodied in music, dance, film, a work of art, a theatrical production, or a written work. The award is generously supported by the University Foundation and carries a prize of \$1,200.

Eligibility. All members of the faculty (Unit 3) of California State University, Northridge – fultime and part-time faculty, faculty participating in the Faculty Early Retirement Program, and emeritus faculty – are eligible for this award. An individual may receive the award more than once, provided each award is based on a different creative accomplishment or set of accomplishments. Only accomplishments that have been carried out while the individual was a CSUN faculty member or a CSUN Emeritus faculty and within the past ten years qualify for consideration.

The sort of creative endeavors that might be honored include, but are not limited to:

- a work of art such as a painting, drawing, photograph, sculpture, ceramic or metal object
- a unique textile, wood, industrial, or jewelry design
- a motion picture or videotape production
- a musical composition
- a play, opera, dance, or other dramatic or musical production
- a work of new media or one in which digital tools, techniques, presentation or processes are crucial

Criteria. The criteria used in evaluating a nominated work will be:

- originality of expression
- innovative use of materials, concepts or technology
- initiatory exploration in the fields of art, literature, music, theater, mass communication, radio, television, film and/or dance
- critical recognition or acclaim given the work
- professional evaluation of and support for the work

Nominating procedure. Nominations for this award will be accepted from any interested person or organization – students or student organizations, fellow faculty, administrators, staff, relatives, friends, alumni. Candidates for this award may also nominate themselves. The nominator should determine that the nominee agrees to be nominated, prior to submitting the nomination form. A nomination requires submission of the Faculty Award Nomination Form. A letter of nomination and additional supporting materials are due one month after the nomination deadline. The nominee may also submit supporting materials. In order to facilitate review of materials by the award committee members, if using sheet protectors, please insert only one page per sheet protector.

Deadlines. The deadline for receipt of nominations is **February 21, 2014.** The deadline for receipt of supporting materials is **March 21, 2014.** All materials are to be sent to the Faculty Senate Office (Oviatt Library, Room 10; Mail Drop 8221).