PAMA Performing Arts Medicine Association

Alice G. Brandfonbrener Young Investigator Award Guidelines

The Alice G. Brandfonbrener Young Investigator Award, (AGB Award), is given to an investigator in recognition of recently completed original research. The recipient is either still enrolled or is a recent graduate of an educational, training or residency program. The research and paper are usually the result of one of the first significant studies made by the author. The research and paper should not previously have been published to be considered for this award.

A $300 honorarium is awarded to the recipient of the AGB Award. In addition, a stipend is provided for travel expenses to the PAMA Symposium to present the paper.

At the Symposium, the time allotment for presentation is 25 minutes for the lecture and an additional 5 minutes for questions. The President of PAMA will introduce the award winner and present the award.

SUBMISSIONS

- Submissions will be made **by November 15, 2026.** Notification will be made in January.
- Papers will follow the guidelines and abide by PAMA policies, that include but not limited to:
  - Acknowledgement of any and all financial support received,
  - The research must have received approval from the appropriate Internal Review Board (IRB),
  - Complete contact information will be provided with the submission.

AUTHORS

Candidates must be currently enrolled or recent graduate of an accredited educational, training, or residency program (such as, but not limited to MD, PhD, MA, MS, DO, PT, OT, etc., and the training program is approved by the PAMA Board of Directors). Confirmation of attendance in/or graduation from the program director may be requested. The candidate should be the primary author of the work.

AGB Award candidates must verify their intent of attending the PAMA Symposium, if selected for this award. Candidates who do not receive the AGB Award may be invited to submit an abstract based on their work, to present at the PAMA Symposium. No honorarium or reimbursement of expenses will be given for non-recipients of the AGB Award.

CONTENT and FORMAT

Any research in the area of performing arts medicine, such as, but not limited to surveys, studies, and outcome information, is acceptable. For questions about the appropriateness of the topic or process, contact PAMA at services@artsmed.org. The work should be submitted as a summary in 5 to 7 pages and not as a full thesis. The submission is not an abstract. Original research involving human subjects must be reviewed and approved by a research ethics committee [also known as an ethics review board, institutional review board ('IRB'), or human subjects committee].

Format should include:

TITLE OF PAPER (IN CAPS)
name of author(s) with degree(s)
affiliation
city, state, country

English, single spaced, one-inch margins
Times New Roman, 12 point font preferred

SUBMISSION PROCESS:

Complete the submission form available on the PAMA website. You must upload your submission by **November 15, 2026** to be considered for the Award.

For more information or questions, contact:
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