

## Find hope, inspiration, healing and connection

Every year, we recognize and celebrate people that have emerged from life's challenges stronger than before and used their experience to help the community.

[Award ceremony tickets](#)



We gather to celebrate people that:



Faced one or more difficult life transitions or challenges;



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### Latest Posts

#### Test Post



Learn your heart. A personal story about breakups, heartbreak, and discovering yourself.



'Sage-ing' and embracing the challenges and opportunities of aging in today's society.



Major life transitions. "We all got 'em ... what are we gonna do with 'em?"

Let's build a better future ... today.

### Categories

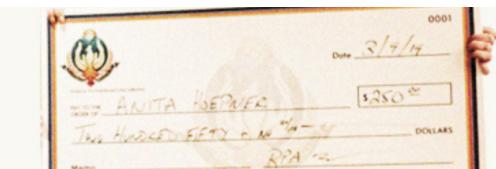
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### Recently Active Members



### Recent Events





Persevered, rose from the ashes, were transformed in the process;



Did something to make a positive and lasting impact on the community.

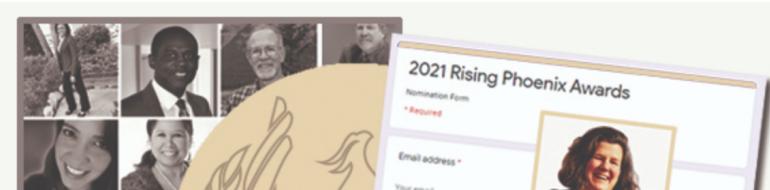
## How it works

### 1 Nominate

Anyone, anywhere can nominate somebody that inspired them and agrees to share their story. Use the button below to nominate your hero/heroine, we'll get in touch with them to capture their story.

[Early nomination for 2020-21](#)

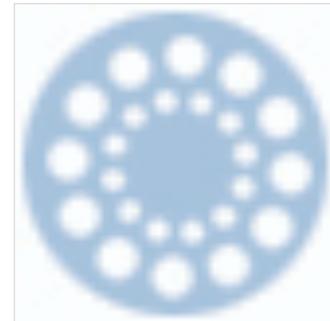
[See past nominees →](#)



## Workshop and classes

Online Event

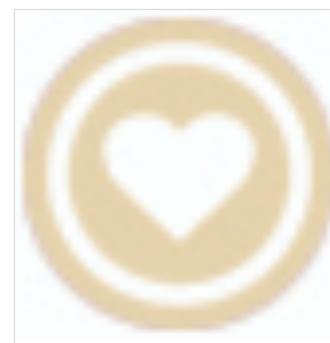
Convention



## Community

Online Event

Conference



## Custom ceremonies

Online Event

Attraction



## 2 Evaluate

Every nominee story shared will be reviewed by our esteemed evaluations team to determine the Rising Phoenixes for the year and to decide which will be named the most hopeful, most inspirational, and most impactful.

[Meet our evaluators ↓](#)

## 3 Announce

Every January we announce the year's Rising Phoenixes and post their stories for the world to see in order to share their light of hope and give inspiration to all that need it. It's also a great time to showcase their programs and contributions to their local communities!

[See this year's Rising Phoenixes →](#)





## 4 Gather, celebrate and connect!

Once a year we gather to hear the stories of the new Rising Phoenixes, honor and celebrate them, and present their awards. Whether you are shy or outgoing, new or familiar, we'll have plenty of activities for you to have fun and connect with one another!

[Buy tickets](#)

## What's happening now

[Award ceremony tickets](#)

[See this year's Rising Phoenixes](#)

Twenty-one new Rising Phoenixes were announced in 2020 from fifty-two nominees! Due to Covid, the annual award ceremony was postponed and rescheduled for Saturday, August 29th. This will be a hybrid in-person and remote-access event to ensure everyone's safety and comfort. Join us to celebrate hope and strength in a time of need.

## Next year's timeline



Sep 1st, 2020

Nominations begin



Dec 31st, 2020

Nominations end



Jan 18th, 2021

Rising Phoenixes announced



Jan 18th, 2021

Award ceremony

Meet our evaluators

[Volunteer as an evaluator](#)

The evaluator team is made up of community volunteers that have strong perspective in major life challenges

The Leadership team is made up of community leaders who have strong perspectives on major life challenges from their own experiences, and they typically run organizations or programs that serve people in transition. Many were past-year Rising Phoenixes themselves that want to continue giving back to the community.

## Dominique Burns

A 2017 Rising Phoenix, PhD Dom is a licensed Professional Counselor and Victim Advocate.

[See LinkedIn](#) 

## David Bush

A 2017 Rising Phoenix, David is the founder & Executive Director of the MADD Poet Society.

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## Kevin Myers

A 2015 Rising Phoenix, Kevin is the founder of the FAP/Lynch Syndrome Support Group.

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## Leah Myers

A 2013 Rising Phoenix, Leah is the founder/director of the TILC Creative Emergence Center.

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## Meet this year's program and event sponsors

