

Patriarch Athenagoras Awards For Distinguished Metropolis Service

(as of December 2016)

The National Forum of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians recognizes individuals who have made exemplary contributions to church music in their Metropolises. Each Metropolis Church Music Federation selects its own recipients for this national award.

DIRECT ARCHDIOCESAN DISTRICT

- 2000 ▪ *Rev. Fr. Demetrios Kehagias*
Assumption/Southampton, NY
- *Michael Papantoniou*
St. Paraskevi/Greenlawn, NY
- *Catherine Zarbis*
St. Nicholas/Flushing, NY
- 2002: † *Jeffrey N. Economou*
St. Paraskevi/Greenlawn, NY
- 2002: ▪ *Spyro Kalas*
St. John/Blue Point, NY
- † *Demetrios Pappas*
Resurrection/Glen Cove, NY
- 2006: ▪ *Georgia Kaufman*
Archangel Michael/Roslyn, NY
- *Leah Pappas*
Holy Trinity/Hicksville, NY
- 2009: ▪ *Angela Arettines*
St. Paraskevi/Greenlawn, NY
- 2009: ▪ *Dr. Efstratios Demertzis*
St. Paul Cathedral/Hempstead, NY
- *Konstantin Kontos*
Holy Trinity/Hicksville, NY
- 2010: ▪ *Constantine Gajdjis*
Sts. Catherine & George/Astoria, NY
- 2011: ▪ *Anna Dounelis*
St. Paul Cathedral/Hempstead, NY
- *Harry Pappas*
St. Barbara/Orange, CT
- 2012: † *Rev. Fr. Emmanuel Gratsias*
Holy Resurrection/Brookville, NY
- *Rev. Fr. Dennis Strouzas*
Archangel Michael/New Rochelle, NY
- † *James Talas*
Transfiguration/Mattituck, NY
- 2013: ▪ *Nicholas Pappas*
Archangel Michael/Port Washington, NY
- 2014 ▪ *V. Rev. Sylvester Berberis*
Zoodohos Peghe/Bronx, NY
- *Georgeann Mavrovitis*
Holy Trinity/New Rochelle, NY
- *Fay Pavlidis*
St. Paraskevi/Greenlawn, NY
- 2015 ▪ *V. Rev. Chrysostomos Gilbert*
Annunciation/NY,NY
- *Irini Kapareliotis*
Saint Paul Cathedral, Hempstead, NY
- *Georgia Stavros*
St. Paraskevi Shrine/Greenlawn, NY
- 2016: ▪ *Helen Hiotakis*
Holy Trinity/New Rochelle, NY
- *Anne Ktorides*
Assumption/Danbury, CT
- *Sappho Papaioannou*
Holy Trinity/New Rochelle, NY

METROPOLIS OF ATLANTA

- 1997: ▪ *Catherine Kandilakis*
St. George/Knoxville, TN
- *Artemisia Dennis Thevaos*
Holy Trinity/Augusta, GA
- † *Pedro Trakas*
St. Stephanos/St. Petersburg, FL
- 1998: † *Theofilos (Steve) Aliapoulios*
St. Catherine/W. Palm Beach, FL
- *Joanna Trakas Cavalaris*
Holy Trinity Cathedral/Charlotte, NC
- *Kevin Lawrence*
Dormition/Greensboro, NC
- 2000: ▪ *Toula Balabanis Chininis*
Dormition/Greensboro, NC
- *George Saclarides*
Holy Trinity/Clearwater, FL
- 2001: ▪ *Donna Aliapoulios*
St. Catherine/West Palm Beach, FL
- *Katie Faklis*
St. Nicholas Cathedral/Tarpon Springs, FL
- *Mary Alice Kays*
St. Sophia Cathedral/Miami, FL
- 2002: † *Angela Ioannides*
Annunciation Cathedral/Atlanta, GA
- *Elia Nicholas*
Holy Trinity/Raleigh, NC
- † *Rev. Fr. Nicholas C. Trivelas*
Holy Trinity/Charleston, SC
- 2003: ▪ *Nikki Alexiou*
St. Sophia Cathedral/Miami, FL
- *Diane L. Anastasiades*
St. Nicholas Cathedral/Tarpon Springs, FL
- *Dr. Philip Thevaos*
Holy Trinity Cathedral/Charlotte, NC
- 2004: ▪ *Donna Palios Trakas*
Holy Trinity Cathedral/Charlotte, NC
- *Mary C. Zaharis*
Annunciation Cathedral/Atlanta, GA
- 2005: ▪ *Rita Gallos*
Annunciation/Winston-Salem, NC
- *George E. Pappas*
St. Nicholas Cathedral/Tarpon Springs, FL
- † *Rev. Fr. Tryphon K. Theophilopoulos*
St. Nicholas Cathedral/Tarpon Springs, FL
- 2006: ▪ *Stanley Evdemon*
St. John the Baptist/Tampa, FL
- *Dr. JoAnna Z. Hill*
St. Nicholas Cathedral/Tarpon Springs, FL
- *Joanne H. Kambouris*
Holy Trinity/Clearwater, FL
- 2007: ▪ *Rev. Fr. James Rousakis*
Holy Trinity/Clearwater, FL
- *Billie Spirides*
St. Nicholas Cathedral/Tarpon Springs, FL
- *Eirene Werts*
St. Catherine/West Palm Beach, FL

- 2008 ▪ **Artie Palios**
St. John the Baptist/Tampa, FL
- **Peter Zervakos**
Annunciation Cathedral/Atlanta, GA
- **Mary G. Zervos**
Holy Trinity/Charleston, SC
- 2009 ▪ **Rev. Dn. Charles Joiner**
St. George Cathedral/Greenville, SC
- **Leon Karahalidis**
St. Sophia/Miami, FL
- **John Mitchell**
St. John/Tampa, FL
- 2010 ▪ **Bessie Petrou**
St. Catherine/West Palm Beach, FL
- **Lucy Zapsas**
Holy Trinity/Charlotte, NC
- 2011 ▪ **Margaret Sarafoglu**
St. Sophia Cathedral, Miami, FL
- 2012 ▪ **Suzy Balasis**
St. John the Baptist, Tampa, FL
- **Christina Polizos**
Annunciation Cathedral/Atlanta, GA
- 2013 ▪ **Rev. Fr. Stavros Akrotirianakis**
St. John the Baptist/Tampa, FL
- † **Marilyn Kappiris Neyland** (posthumously)
St. John the Baptist/Tampa, FL
- 2014 ▪ **Mary Anne Mastorides**
Holy Trinity/Clearwater, FL
- **Irina Monzolevskaya**
Holy Trinity Cathedral/Charlotte, NC
- **Cali Spyropoulos**
Holy Trinity/Charleston, SC
- 2015 ▪ **Celeste Alexander**
Annunciation/Atlanta, GA
- **Dialekti "Tee" Pappas**
St. John the Divine/Jacksonville, FL
- 2016: ▪ **Dean Johns**
Holy Trinity Cathedral/Charlotte, NC

METROPOLIS OF BOSTON

- 1997: ▪ **Ethel Lafazanis**
Annunciation /Cranston, RI
- **Emmanuel Mihailides**
Annunciation/Cranston, RI
- † **Arthur Peros**
St. George/Hyannis, MA
- 1999: † **Dr. Christos J. Bentas**
Holy Trinity/Lowell, MA
- 2000: † **Theodore Mekelatos**
Annunciation Cathedral/Boston, MA
- **Rev. Fr. Emmanuel S. Metaxas**
Taxiarchae/Watertown, MA
- 2000: ▪ **Christos & Mary Papoutsy**
St. Nicholas/Portsmouth, NH
- 2003: ▪ **Spiro Billis**
St. George/Southbridge, MA
- **Heidi Mason**
Annunciation/Brockton, MA
- † **James Savas**
St. Demetrios/Weston, MA
- 2005: ▪ **John Arambages**
St. George/Lynn, MA
- **Carol Salvo**
Dormition of Virgin Mary/Somerville, MA
- 2005: ▪ **Toula Sparages**
Transfiguration/Lowell, MA

- 2006: ▪ **Ted Guvelis**
Holy Apostles/Haverhill, MA
- **James Maheras**
St. Nicholas/Portsmouth, NH
- **Elpida Miliadis**
St. Spyridon/Worcester, MA
- 2007: ▪ **Sophia Argeros**
St. George/Lynn, MA
- **Gregory Condakes**
St. Demetrios/Weston, MA
- 2009: ▪ **Charles Fillias**
Assumption/Ipswich, MA
- 2010: ▪ **George Theodossiou**
Annunciation/Brockton, MA
- 2011: ▪ **Stella Pathiaklis**
St. Athanasios/Arlington, MA
- 2012: ▪ **Cindy Rodolakis**
St. Luke/E. Longmeadow, MA
- 2014 ▪ **Steven Karidoynes**
West Roxbury, MA
- **Genie Leussis**
St. Demetrios/Weston, MA
- 2016: ▪ **Cynthia Mitaras Alex**
Taxiarchae/Watertown, MA
- **Meri Kassanos**
St. Luke/East Longmeadow, MA

METROPOLIS OF CHICAGO

- 1998: ▪ **John Douglas**
St. Demetrios/Hammond, IN
- **Georgia Mitchell**
Sts. Peter & Paul/Glenview, IL
- 1999: † **Christ Kutrubis**
Annunciation/Chicago, IL
- 2001: ▪ **John G. Revezoulis**
St. Spyridon/Sheboygan, WI
- 2003: ▪ **Nicholas Chimitris**
Sts. Constantine & Helen/Merrillville, IN
- 2004: ▪ **Rosemary Cunningham DeSanto**
St. Nicholas/Oak Lawn, IL
- 2005: † **Rev. Fr. George Nicozisin**
St. Nicholas/St. Louis, MO
- **Stella Papachristou**
Annunciation/Milwaukee, WI
- † **Olga Sarantos**
Assumption/Chicago, IL
- 2006: † **George Athanasopoulos**
St. John/DesPlaines, IL
- : ▪ **Dr. Peri Georgiou**
Assumption/Chicago, IL
- **Nick Paloumpis**
Holy Apostles/Westchester, IL
- 2007: † **Magdaline (Maggie) Bovis**
Minneapolis, MN
- **Michael Doran**
St. Nicholas/St. Louis, MO
- **Jerry Hughes**
St. Demetrios/Hammond, IN
- 2011: ▪ **Denise Karras**
St. Nicholas/St. Louis, MO
- 2013: ▪ **Patricia Katsenis**
St. Spyridon/Palos Heights, IL
- **Diana Ott**
St. Nicholas/St. Louis, MO
- † **Ida Trakadas**
St. Spyridon/Palos Heights, IL

METROPOLIS OF DENVER

- 1997: ▪ **George Stefanidakis**
Annunciation Cathedral/Houston, TX
- 1999: ▪ **Connie and Jim Maniatis**
Assumption Cathedral/Denver, CO
- **George Zorafonetis**
Holy Trinity/Dallas, TX
- **Billie Zumo**
Sts. Constantine & Helen /Cheyenne, WY
- 2006: ▪ **James Economou**
Holy Trinity/Tulsa, OK
- 2008: ▪ **Paul Maritsas**
Prophet Elias/Salt Lake City, UT
- **Lois Pappademos**
Annunciation/Kansas City, MO
- **Andrew Vassios**
GO Church of Greater Omaha, NE
- 2011: ▪ **Pamela Cramer**
Annunciation Cathedral/Houston, TX
- **George Miller**
Holy Trinity Cathedral/Salt Lake City, UT
- **William Poletes**
St. John the Baptist/Euliss, TX
- 2013: ▪ **Maria Carayannopoulos**
Holy Trinity/Dallas, TX
- **Chris Gianopoulos**
St. George/Albuquerque, NM
- **Haldor Howard**
St. George/Oklahoma City, OK

METROPOLISES OF PITTSBURGH AND DETROIT

- 1996: †**Mary Ameredes**
Annunciation/Akron, OH
- †**Steve Bournos**
Holy Trinity/Canton, OH
- 1997: †**Michael Hadgis**
Annunciation/Akron, OH
- **Peter Phillips**
Assumption/St. Clair Shores, MI
- **George Rafailedes**
St. Demetrios/Rocky River, OH
- 1998: ▪ **Gloria Michaels**
Annunciation/Dayton, OH
- †**Rev. Fr. Chris Hadgigeorge**
Holy Trinity Cathedral/Toledo, OH
- 1999: †**John N. Tsolainos**
Sts. Constantine & Helen/Cleveland, OH
- 2001: ▪ **Angie Angelos**
All Saints/Weirton, WV
- †**Rev. Fr. George Bartz**
Annunciation/Akron, OH
- 2001: †**Terry Jonethis**
St. Nicholas/Jamestown, NY
- 2002: ▪ **Hieromonk Seraphim Dedes**
St. Gregory Palamas/Hayesville, OH
- **Ruth Econ**
Holy Cross/Farmington Hills, MI
- 2002: ▪ **Barbara Minton**
St. George/Southgate, MI
- 2003: †**Dr. George T. Georgantas**
Holy Spirit/Rochester, NY
- †**Rev. Fr. Michael Harmand**
St. Sophia/Syracuse, NY
- 2004: ▪ **Rev. Fr. Philemon Karamanos**
St. George/Southgate, MI
- 2005: ▪ **Erma E. Rangos**
Holy Trinity/Steubenville, OH

- †**Dr. Don E. Stathulas**
Holy Trinity Cathedral/Toledo, OH
- **Dr. George M. Sarabalas**
Annunciation Cathedral/Columbus, OH
- 2006: †**Elizabeth Sarafis**
Holy Trinity/Grand Rapids, MI
- 2007: ▪ **Stan and Nancy Takis**
Assumption/Flint, MI
- **Michael Orfanopoulos**
Presentation/East Pittsburgh, PA
- 2008: ▪ **Chris Zervos**
Holy Trinity/Toledo, OH
- 2009: ▪ **Daniel Packis**
St. Demetrios/Rocky River, OH
- 2011: ▪ **Evey Simon**
St. Nicholas/Troy, MI
- 2012: ▪ **Irene Georgantas**
Holy Spirit/Rochester, NY
- 2015: ▪ **Ann & Ted Niforos**
Assumption/St. Claire Shores, MI
- 2016: ▪ **Elaine Charalambopoulos**
Sts. Constantine & Helen/Westland, MI

METROPOLIS OF NEW JERSEY

- 1997: †**Dennis Spyros**
St. John Cathedral/Tenafly, NJ
- 1998: ▪ **Fifi Nichols**
Annunciation Cathedral/Baltimore, MD
- 1999: ▪ **E. Hope Demitry**
St. George/Trenton, NJ
- 2000: ▪ **Nick Kyrus**
St. Katherine/Falls Church, VA
- 2001: ▪ **Maria Keritsis**
Sts. Constantine & Helen/Richmond, VA
- 2002: ▪ **Christopher Kypros**
Annunciation Cathedral/Norfolk, VA
- 2003: ▪ **Rev. Fr. Nicholas Bacalis**
Sts. Constantine & Helen/Richmond, VA
- **Katina Kehayas**
St. George/Piscataway, NJ
- 2004: ▪ **Kathryn Athanasoulas**
Holy Trinity/Westfield, NJ
- †**Christos Jacovides**
Annunciation/Norfolk, VA
- 2005: ▪ **Katherine Mathes Panagos**
St. George/Bethesda, MD
- 2006: ▪ **Susan Karcanes**
Holy Trinity/Westfield, NJ
- **Ann Sophocleous**
Annunciation Cathedral/Baltimore MD
- 2007: ▪ **Gus Letras**
Annunciation Cathedral/Baltimore, MD
- **Drucie Papafil**
Annunciation/Norfolk, VA
- 2008: ▪ **Sondra Awad**
Sts. Constantine & Helen/Richmond, VA
- 2009: ▪ **Diane Tseckares**
Annunciation Cathedral/Baltimore, MD
- 2010: ▪ **Paul Mavromihalis**
St. George/Bethesda, MD
- 2011: †**Patricia Sotos (posthumously)**
Sts. Constantine & Helen/Richmond, VA
- 2012: ▪ **Renee Root**
Sts. Constantine & Helen/Newport News, VA
- 2013: ▪ **Adam Birnbaum**
St. Catherine/Falls Church, VA
- †**Dr. Louis Martin**
Holy Trinity/Westfield, NJ

- 2014: ▪ *Virginia Botsis*
St. Luke/Broomal, PA
- 2015: ▪ *Katherine Birnbaum*
St. Katherine/Falls Church, VA
- 2016: ▪ *Marie Devino (posthumously)*
Kimisis Tis Theotokou/Holmdel, NJ

METROPOLIS OF SAN FRANCISCO

- 1996: ▪ *Bill Bobolis*
Annunciation/Sacramento, CA
- *Paul Pronoitis*
Annunciation/Modesto, CA
- *Christopher Yokas*
St. Sophia Cathedral/Los Angeles, CA
- 1997: † *Nick Harris*
Holy Trinity Cathedral/Phoenix, AZ
- † *Rev. Fr. George Stephanides*
St. Paul/Irvine, CA
- † *Kathy Trapp*
Resurrection/Castro Valley, CA
- 1998: ▪ *Ethel Barbas*
Assumption/Seattle, WA
- *Kristen Bruskas*
Holy Trinity Cathedral/Phoenix, AZ
- *Andriana Kolendrianos*
St. Barbara/Santa Barbara, CA
- 1999: ▪ *Steven Cardiasmenos*
Holy Cross/Belmont, CA
- *George Duvall*
Holy Trinity Cathedral/Phoenix, AZ
- † *Tom Pallad*
St. Nicholas/Northridge, CA
- 2000: ▪ *Eva Canellos*
Holy Cross/Belmont, CA
- *Rev. Fr. Ari Damaskos*
Ascension Cathedral/Oakland, CA
- *Athena Tsougarakis*
Annunciation Cathedral/San Francisco, CA
- 2001: ▪ *Chris Canellos*
Holy Cross/Belmont, CA
- *Georgia Tripsas*
Holy Trinity Cathedral/Phoenix, AZ
- 2002 ▪ *Kathy Loukatos Meck*
St. Spyridon/San Diego, CA
- *Dr. Chris Vitakes*
Ascension Cathedral/Oakland, CA

- 2003: ▪ *Presvytera Pat Tsagalakis*
Holy Apostles/Kenmore, WA
- 2004: ▪ *Kathy Lecas*
Ascension Cathedral/Oakland, CA
- 2005: ▪ *Rev. Fr. Michael Pallad*
St. Haralambos/Peoria, AZ
- *Terry Kastanis*
Annunciation/Sacramento, CA
- 2006: ▪ *Fareeda Christ*
Holy Trinity/San Francisco, CA
- *Helen Markes*
St. Demetrios/Tucson, AZ
- 2007: ▪ *Presvytera Evelyn Adams*
Nativity of Christ, Novato, CA
- *Mario DiGiovanni*
Ascension Cathedral/Oakland, CA
- *Elaine Palaialogos*
St. Katherine/Redondo Beach, CA
- 2008: ▪ *Elizabeth Levy*
Resurrection/San Francisco, CA
- *Presvytera Elaine Stefanides*
St. Paul/Irvine, CA
- 2009: ▪ *Alex Christ*
Holy Trinity/San Francisco, CA
- *Stella Daskalakis Thurkill*
Assumption/Seattle, WA
- 2010: ▪ *Rev. Fr. James Adams*
Chancellor, Metropolis of San Francisco
- *Faye Brown*
St. John the Baptist/Las Vegas, NV
- 2012: ▪ *Athena Anastos*
Assumption/Scottsdale, AZ
- 2013: ▪ *Vasiliki Kyriakakis*
St. Demetrios/Tucson, AZ
- 2014: ▪ *Daralyne Baddour*
St. Spyridon/San Diego, CA
- 2015: ▪ *Presvytera Maria Hondros*
St. John the Baptist/Las Vegas, NV
- *Costa Kourtis*
Assumption/Long Beach, CA
- *Victoria Xikis*
St. John the Baptist/Las Vegas, NV
- 2016: ▪ *Kay Harkins*
St. Spyridon/San Diego, CA
- *Meg Jakovas*
Annunciation/Sacramento, CA

GREEK ORTHODOX RECIPIENTS of the RELIGIOUS MUSIC WEEK ALLIANCE's DIRECTOR of MUSIC AWARDS of DISTINCTION

- 2002: *Tikey Zes & Anna Gallos*
- 2003: *George Raptis*
- 2005: *Dean Limberakis & John Douglas*
- 2006: *James Maniatis & Demetrios Pappas*

ARCHONS of the ECUMENICAL PATRIARCHATE WHO ARE CHURCH MUSICIANS

Dr. Aristides Assimacopoulos, Sioux Falls, SD – Archon Aktouarios, 2012

Dr. Vaios Athanasiou, Denver, CO – Archon Maestor, 2006

†Dr. Dino Anagnost, New York, NY – Archon Exarchos, 1986

Dr. Theodore Bogdanos, San Leandro, CA – Archon Hartoularios, 1982

Mr. Gerry Clonaris, Charlotte, NC – Archon Deputatos, 2003

†Dr. Christos Demakes, Cincinnati, OH – Archon Exarchos, 1990

†Dr. George Demos, Denver, CO – Archon Aktouarios, 1982

†Dr. Frank Desby, Los Angeles, CA – Archon Lambadarios, 1976

Mr. James Economou, Tulsa, OK – Archon Horarchis, 1992

Dr. George Kaludis, Bethesda, MD – Archon Didaskalos Ton Genous, 2001

Dr. Peter Karavites, Boston, MA – Archon Notarios, 19??

Mr. Constantine Limberakis, Boston, MA – Archon Primikirios, 1997

†Mr. George T. Loutsion, Canonsburg, PA – Archon Deputatos, 1976

Dr. Nicholas Loutsion, Canonsburg, PA – Archon Aktouarios, 2003

Mr. Nicholas Lyras, New Rochelle, NY – Archon Ekdikos, 1998

Dr. James Maniatis, Denver, CO – Archon Ekdikos, 1984

Mr. Emmanuel Mihailides, Cranston, RI – Archon Notarios, 2005

Mr. Michael Pahos, Santa Barbara, CA – Archon Ekdikos, 1988

†Mr. Tom Pallad, Northridge, CA – Archon Hartophylax, 1985

Mr. Peter Papadakos, McKeesport, PA – Archon Ekdikos, 2006

Mr. Harry Plomarity, Corpus Christi, TX – Archon Ekdikos, 1985

Dr. Michael G. Rallis, Wilmington, NC – Archon Referendarios, 2012

Mr. George Raptis, Detroit, MI – Archon Lambadarios, 1976

†Mr. James Savas, Boston, MA – Archon Horarchis, 1993

Hon. Chris Semos, Dallas, TX – Archon Depoutatos, 1980

Dr. George Stefanidakis, Houston, TX – Archon Aktouarios, 2013

Mr. John Tangelos, Sterling Heights, MI – Archon, 2010

Mr. Peter N. Vatsures, Columbus, OH – Archon Kastrinisios, 2011

†Mr. Ernest Villas, Boston, MA – Archon Notarios, 1969

Mr. Philip G. Yamalis, Pittsburgh, PA – Archon Protekdikos, 2012

Dr. Tikey Zes, San Jose, CA – Archon Lambadarios, 1976

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