



ACRC's 2025 Award Nomination Process

Albert E. Trieschman Award

As always, we will give the Albert E. Trieschman Award as a living memorial to Al Trieschman that would both commemorate and carry on his dedication to the development and enhancement of the role of the hands-on child care worker in the residential treatment of children.

Al Trieschman received his Doctorate in Psychology from Harvard in 1960 and shortly after founded the Walker School in 1961. His work led him to author two classic books, "The Other Twenty Four Hours" and "Children Away From Home." He considered himself to be first and foremost a child care worker, then a teacher and a mentor. He was a sought-after presenter and was considered the best at his achievements. His colleagues around the country continue to refer to his writings and instruction as the model for residential care. Al's passing in 1984 was quite a loss to the world of residential treatment. We are proud to carry on his legacy of clinical excellence through this award.

Tricalouise Gurley Millard Youth Advocate Award

ACRC lost a true friend and colleague in 2012 with the passing of Tricalouise Gurley Millard. Tricalouise was a dynamic, dedicated, enthusiastic change-maker for youth in the mental health field. Tricia embraced communication as one way to increase youth participation in decisions about their own mental health care. She was one of the first youth who served on a national discussion group to help inform communications and social marketing work. She worked passionately to improve the experiences of youth in care, and she was a dedicated and insightful youth voice on ACRC's board of directors. This award will honor a youth advocate who has made a large contribution to the development and nurturance of resilience, hope and voice of residential youth, just as Tricalouise had done.

Nomination Process

We strongly encourage you to submit your nomination for the *Albert E. Trieschman Award*, or the *Tricalouise Gurley Millard Youth Advocacy Award* to be given at this year's Annual Conference in Boston, MA. Please call our attention to your nominee(s) with a brief description of them and the work they have done.

Your candidate for the *Albert E. Trieschman Award* should be a **direct care worker** and have at least five years of involvement working with youth in a residential intervention. Please call our attention to your nominee with a brief description of them and up to three endorsing letters.

Your candidate for the *Tricalouise Gurley Millard Youth Advocacy Award* should be a young adult who is an alumnus of a residential or community-based program. Please call our attention to your nominee with a brief description of him or her and up to three endorsing letters, one of which should be written by a youth who has been positively affected by the candidate.

As always, true to our commitment to family-driven, youth-guided philosophies, nominations that include words from those we serve (youth and families) tend to have greater weight during the consideration process.

The award winners will be honored at our Awards Luncheon on March 26th at our awards luncheon in Boston. All of our 2025 award nominees will be recognized at that time as well. If you wish to send your nominee to the conference, and we certainly encourage you to do so, they will be our guest at the luncheon and will be introduced at that time.

The deadline for nominations is Friday, February 7th, 2025

Please send all nominations to ksisson@togetherthevoice.org

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