



SAAGNY's 40 Under Forty is a celebration of young promotional products professionals in the SAAGNY community. The process of selecting SAAGNY's 40 Under Forty begins with nominations.

SAAGNY's 40 Under Forty honor is driven by nomination information that's as complete and thorough as possible so our judges can see the whole picture of the person being nominated. We encourage the nominee to be involved in the nomination process so that all pertinent information is provided and facts are accurate. Self-nominations are encouraged.

Before submitting a nomination, please ensure the nominee meets the following criteria:

- Nominees must be 39 years or younger (born AFTER Dec. 31, 1981).
- Nominees must spend the majority of their work time in the Promotional Products Industry.

Being named a recipient of a SAAGNY's 40 Under Forty brings great benefits and also carries some obligations. Among the benefits:

- You will be publicly recognized as an exceptional leader through published profiles in SAAGNY Life and SAAGNY's social media channels, email newsletters, and advertising
- You will be celebrated at the Annual Awards Celebration along with your fellow recipients and other Award recipients
- You will be invited to attend private, invitation-only networking events to foster a strong bond between recipients.

Being named a SAAGNY's 40 Under Forty recipient also carries some obligations. Among those are the following:

- An obligation to stay connected to fellow recipients and promote the awards program in its continuing effort to recognize business excellence, expertise and value of giving back to the SAAGNY community.

**Please take a few minutes and help us identify SAAGNY's 40 Under Forty.**



## Frequently Asked Questions

Below are Frequently Asked Questions regarding SAAGNY's 40 Under Forty program, on topics including nomination eligibility, required support materials, and the due date for submitting materials. If you have a question that isn't covered below, email us at [info@saagny.org](mailto:info@saagny.org).

### ***Who can be nominated?***

SAAGNY's 40 Under Forty competition is open to all promotional products professionals who are under 40 years of age (born AFTER Dec. 31, 1981) and a SAAGNY member in good standing. Nominees may come from any aspect of the promotional product industry. Nominations, personal statements, and supporting materials must be received by July 1, 2021

Questions? Contact Donna-Jean Plante at [info@saagny.org](mailto:info@saagny.org) or 914.848.7369.

### ***Can I nominate myself?***

Yes. Don't be bashful. If you're under 40 and believe you qualify, feel free to nominate yourself. (IMPORTANT: Nominees must have been born AFTER Dec. 31, 1981, to be eligible.)

### ***Can I nominate more than one person?***

Yes. If you feel there are several individuals who deserve consideration, please submit their nominations. There is no limit to the number of submissions you can make, but please note that you'll need to send supporting materials for all nominated individuals.

### ***Is there a fee for making a nomination?***

No. There is no fee associated with SAAGNY's 40 Under Forty recognition program.

### ***How do I know if my nomination went through? Will I receive a confirmation?***

Yes. After submitting your entry information, you should receive a confirmation email. If you have concerns that your nomination didn't go through, please email Donna-Jean Plante at [info@saagny.org](mailto:info@saagny.org).

### ***Will I be notified if the person I nominate is selected?***

No. SAAGNY will only contact the 40 individuals selected for SAAGNY's 40 Under Forty recognition, and not the individual who submitted the nomination.



***What are the criteria for selecting a SAAGNY's 40 Under Forty winner, and how does the selection process work?***

Nominations will be judged by a selection Committee, who will be looking for successful and well-rounded individuals under the age of 40. (IMPORTANT: Nominees must have been born AFTER Dec. 31, 1981, to be eligible.) Some of the qualities and characteristics the committee will be looking for (in no particular order):

- Leadership skills
- Productivity
- Innovation
- Professional growth and achievement
- Creative problem-solving
- Personal integrity
- Dedication
- A passion for excellence
- SAAGNY Member in good standing

***What materials do I need to send in support of my nomination(s)?***

A personal statement, a résumé or CV, plus supporting materials that make it easy for the Selection Committee to see why your nominee is a standout in the promotional products space. The brief personal statement should touch on as many of the topics below as possible:

- Skills
- Education
- Career progress
- Professional affiliations
- Community outreach/volunteer work
- Off-the-clock hobbies and other interesting information that give us a picture of the whole person

***Additional supporting materials can/should include:***

- Nominee's résumé or CV
- Descriptions of the nominee's work or projects
- Testimonials from clients or others familiar with the nominee's work
- Awards received



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***When will the SAAGNY's 40 Under Forty feature article be published?***

The SAAGNY's 40 Under Forty feature is scheduled for publication in SAAGNYS October 2021 issue.



**Nomination Form**

**The SAAGNY's 40 Under Forty competition is now open for entries!**

Nominee First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Nominee Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company Address \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Mobile Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Email \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Nominator Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company Address \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Checklist of Items to Be Included with Nomination Form:**

Personal Statement \_\_\_\_\_

Resume or CV \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Nominees Work or Projects \_\_\_\_\_

Testimonials from Clients or Others Familiar with Nominee's Work \_\_\_\_\_

Awards Received \_\_\_\_\_