



Frequently Asked Questions

What is NABA's 40/Forty?

NABA's 40 /Forty is a new program to recognize the superlative, ultra-achieving young people in the organization. We want to celebrate our up and coming stars who have made great strides in their careers, within NABA and the profession, and within their communities. NABA's 40/Forty represent the best of the best, the crème of the crop.

Who is eligible?

All professional members who will be younger than 40 at the time they will be recognized at the 39th Annual National Convention & EXPO. Entrants must have significant career achievement, show potential to be a business leader, and demonstrate an impact on NABA and his or her community.

Who is on the selection committee?

Two board members, two members of the NABA National Office, one member of the President's Advisory Council, one professional member, and one student member comprise the selection committee.

How can I nominate someone for NABA's 40/Forty?

Complete the nomination form and email it to 40Under40@nabainc.org or fax to 240-542-5019. Please, no phone calls. E-mails without a nomination form will be disregarded.

May I nominate myself?

Yes, and we encourage you to do so, provided you also list three professional references who can attest to the claims on your application.

When is the deadline?

Nominations are due **April 23, 2010**. The 40/Forty will be selected by **May 21, 2010**. Selected recipients will be recognized during the 39th Annual National Convention & EXPO, which runs **June 15–19, 2010**. Recipients are encouraged, but not required, to be present at the Convention.

How will the selection committee decide?

After we receive a nomination, the selection committee will hold a series of meetings to determine who will be chosen. Although many factors will come into play, we strive for a diverse list of recipients who represent a broad spectrum of accomplishments in the fields of accounting, finance, and business, and in areas of public/community service. Winners will also be chosen based on fulfilling the values of achievement, personal excellence, experience, innovation, vision and leadership, and commitment to service. Each finalist will be contacted, briefly interviewed, and asked to provide supporting documentation as to their age, employment, and other areas of eligibility.

What are the obligations of the winners?

Winners must submit recent photos and complete a questionnaire for feature in a NABA publication and on the National website. The questionnaire will accompany the notification to all winning entries. The inaugural class of 40/Forty recipients will be recognized at NABA's 39th Annual National Convention & EXPO.

Are winners required to be at the Convention?

No, but you are encouraged to be there.

Will you tell those not chosen why they weren't selected?

No, due to the time constraints, the selection committee will not be able to provide status updates or substantive feedback to those not chosen. We encourage you, however, to try again next year if you meet the criteria.

Does having many people nominate the same person help that person win?

No! In fact, it sends a negative impression if there is evidence of an organized campaign to send many nominations.

What if I or the person I want to nominate turns 40 before the cut-off date?

Nominations for anyone who does not meet the eligibility criteria will be discarded.