

The Richard Glover Ames and Henry Russell Ames Award

Nomination and Selection Process

While Harvard students are often commended for their many achievements, this award is unique in striving to identify individuals whose substantial contributions have not been acknowledged. The goal of this award is to honor two unsung heroes of the graduating class.

We welcome nominations of seniors from deans, faculty, faculty deans, staff, fellow students, and others from the Harvard community. Nominations should be for students deemed worthy of such an honor, whether their service has impacted the community inside or outside of Harvard, on a large or small scale. We ask for your help in bringing their stories, and the lesser-known facets of their personalities, to light. At the same time, please do not hesitate to nominate individuals who may have already received some recognition for holding leadership positions in organizations or activities.

Nomination Process for 2021

1. Members of the Harvard community should nominate individuals in the form of a letter or email. These letters or emails will be the sole basis of our decision, so please be as specific as possible and provide us with as much relevant information about your nominee or nominees.
2. Send nomination emails or attached letters to haa_collegealumniprograms@harvard.edu **by March 1, 2021.**

Winners will be selected through a blind review process by 2021 Class Committee members and Harvard Alumni Association staff.

Traditionally, one of the most special aspects of the Ames Award is that it comes as a joyous surprise to the recipients during the Class Day Exercises. Thus, in keeping with the spirit of the award, we request that you refrain from discussing your nomination(s) with the nominees themselves.