21st Annual Miss Utility Locator Achievement Awards

Your chance to recognize the top locating technicians is here! **Nominations are now open for the 21st Annual Miss Utility Locator Achievement Awards.**

The Locator Achievement Awards gives your organization the opportunity to recognize the best partners in damage prevention – locating technicians. We all work with dedicated locating technicians who strive to improve the damage prevention process. Now is your chance to give these professionals the recognition they deserve.

The nomination form for the 2024 Locator Achievement Awards – which recognizes locators for the time period of 1/1/2023-12/31/2023 – follows this page. Please note it is important that the integrity of the awards process be protected by only submitting entries for truly exceptional locating technicians as summarized in the criteria on the following page. Up to two or three eligible locators per region can be submitted by your organization, depending on the region, as outlined in the criteria. If you received this form as a Miss Utility member and use a contract locator, please forward this form to the locating company.

Please submit your entries using the following form by **Thursday, Feb. 14, 2024 at 5 p.m**. For any questions, please contact Nabeela Asif Tringali at nasiftringali@mghus.com.

The winning locators and their families will be recognized at a Bowie Baysox game at Prince George's Stadium on Friday, May 10. Winners will also receive a custom-embroidered jacket, 811 logo t-shirt, awards certificate and other prizes. Please be sure to include your nominees' jacket size, specify either men's or ladies' fit, and include the preferred name for the embroidery on the nomination form.

Thanks for taking the time to recognize the best of the best!

The 2023-2024 Locator Achievement Awards/Dig Smart Awards Committee

* Indicates required question

2024 LAA Nomination Criteria

Please use the following form to nominate your locators. A minimum of one qualifying locator must be submitted and no more than 23 per organization. Up to two or three eligible locators per region can be submitted by your organization, depending on the region, as outlined below.

Be sure to include all of the requested details for each nominee as submissions that are missing information or are filled out incorrectly will be disqualified. Please only submit locators who meet all of the criteria points outlined below. The Locator Achievement Awards Committee has the right to vet all nominations, with final approval on nominations given by the committee.

THE 9 REGIONS

Region #1: Harford & Cecil County (max. 2 nominees)

Region #2: Washington, D.C. (max. 2 nominees)

Region #3: Montgomery County (max. 3 nominees)

Region #4: Baltimore City & Baltimore County (max. 3 nominees)

Region #5: Calvert, Charles & St. Mary's County (max. 2 nominees)

Region #6: Allegany, Garrett & Washington County (max. 2 nominees)

Region #7: Anne Arundel County (max. 3 nominees)

Region #8: Prince George's County (max. 3 nominees)

Region #9: Howard, Carroll & Frederick County (max. 3 nominees)

CRITERIA FOR LOCATOR ELIGIBILITY

- 1. Submitted individuals must have performed facility/utility location services as his/her FULL-TIME job in at least one of the above regions from 1/1/2023-12/31/2023 AND must have responded to at least 1,500 locate requests during that time.
- 2. Submitted individuals must have been employed by the nominating organization for at least 12 months at the time this form is submitted.
- 3. Locator must have ZERO at-fault damages, ZERO safety violations and pass quality audits (if applicable) within his/her respective organization between 1/1/2023-12/31/2023.
- 4. Locator must understand and abide by Maryland Code Title 12 "Underground Facilities" and/or Washington, D.C. Code Title 34 Public Utilities.
- 5. Locator must establish proactive working relationships in damage prevention.
- 6. No more than two (2) or three (3) locating technicians per region may be submitted, as outlined by the regions above.
- 7. You can only nominate your own company employee(s) (i.e. none of your subcontractors or contract locators).

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- 2) Nominee's email address
- 3) Nominee's region(s) as outlined above
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- 5) Nominee's desired name for jacket embroidery. *For jacket embroidery name, please choose from the following options only: first name only OR last name only OR first initial and last name OR no name.* Sample response: John Smith, johnsmith@locator.com, region 4, size large men's, for embroidery: J. SMITH

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NOMINATOR INFORMATION

Below, please enter your contact information as the nominator of the submitted locator(s) so that we can communicate with you about your nominations.

24.	First and Last Name *
25.	Title *
26.	Company *

27.	Email Address *	
28.	Mobile Phone *	
29.	Office Phone *	
30.	Business Address (include street, city, state, ZIP) *	
31.	Do you certify that all individuals you have nominated above are currently employed by the company you work for, and that all the above nominated individuals have been employed by your company for at least 12 months? If yes, please check the box below. Mark only one oval. Yes, the above statement is true.	*
32.	Nominator Signature	*
	Please enter your full name below. By signing your name, you agree to the following statements: I certify that all individuals I have nominated using this form meet the criteria outlined for the 21th Annual Locator Achievement Awards. I understand that any submissions that are missing information or are filled out incorrectly will be disqualified. I understand the Locator Achievement Awards Committee has the right to vet all nominations, with final approval on nominations given by the committee.	

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