CALL FOR SUGGESTIONS FOR NOMINEES FOR NATIONAL OFFICE DEADLINE, March 20, 2023

From

National Nominating Committee

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On behalf of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Teachers of Singing, Inc., we hereby issue an invitation to all NATS members, chapters, districts, and regions to submit suggestions for nominees for the national offices that will be open as of July 2024.

These offices may include those of

President-Elect
Vice President for Membership
Vice President for Workshops
Vice President for Auditions
Vice President for Outreach
Secretary/Treasurer

According to **Article X Section 1** of our Bylaws

> The Association officers shall include a President, President-Elect, Past President, four Vice Presidents (outlined in Article X, Section 7) and a Secretary/Treasurer. Each Association officer shall be elected by vote of the membership as provided in these Bylaws. The person elected for the position of President-Elect shall serve one two-year term in that office, one two-year term as President, and one two-year term as Past President, and may not succeed themselves in any of these offices. Vice Presidents and the Secretary/Treasurer shall serve for two years and may succeed themselves once. Officers must be Full Members in Good Standing of the Association when elected and remain so throughout their terms of office. These officers form the Association's Executive Committee.

By calling for the suggestions it is the hope of the Board of Directors that the National Nominating Committee will be able to consider several worthy candidates for the offices that will be open.

1. Complete the nominations form online via the NATS website at **www.nats.org/officernominations no later than March 20, 2023.**
2. A complete nomination includes the name and NATS organizational experience of the nominee, including information on why the nominee is suited for the position. Be sure to obtain the permission from the potential candidate to submit his or her name for the two-year term of office if selected to run, and if elected by the membership. The candidate for President-Elect must be willing to serve two-year terms as President-Elect, President, and Past President, for a total of six years.

The National Nominating Committee will select one candidate for each open office subject to approval at the 2023 NATS Board of Directors meeting. Prior to the election in Fall 2023, the slate of candidates will be published in ***Inter Nos*** **and online at NATS.org**.

NATS strives to be a welcoming and supportive community of members and students who celebrate the unique identities, varied backgrounds, and experiences of all individuals. We are dedicated to ensuring that all voices are valued and heard in an inclusive environment with equitable treatment for all.

Your participation in this nominating process is an essential part of electing national officers.

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