

Torch Award Committee Report - 2020

The Committee sent out a call for nominations in September. Nominations were received and distributed to the committee. We met via Zoom and made the selections which were then sent to the Senate Steering Committee for confirmation. Recipients were notified by letter from the Provost's Office. Due to Covid restrictions, there was no celebration dinner this year, but a recognition is being planned for late spring. It is also planned that the 2020 award recipients will be honored in person along with the 2021 honorees at the 2021 Torch Awards Dinner, assuming that we can hold one at that time.

The 2020 recipients of the Torch Awards were:

Vires Award - Fred Flowers - First African American to wear FSU athletic uniform

Doby Flowers - First African American Homecoming Princess

This brother and sister are FSU alumni who were recognized for their unique and courageous roles which forever changed and enriched the culture at FSU

Mores Award - Paula Smith -

William Smith - FSU alumni with sustained service and support of FSU academic programs

Artes Award - Dorothy Chao Jenkins - sustained service as member of Ringling Museum of Art Foundation Board since 1997

Jayne Standley and Marilyn Young, co-chairs