This year’s Nightingale Awards event was celebrated virtually on Tuesday, July 14, 2020.

The celebration included a pre-award show, networking mixer and livestream viewing of the awards program.

Watch the Nightingale Awards show here.

The Nightingale Awards virtual event recognized 2020 being designated the “International Year of the Nurse” and also commemorated the 200th birthday of Florence Nightingale. Through generous individual donations along with support from their Board of Visitors, Oakland University School of Nursing has created a Nightingale Legacy Scholarship to be introduced this year. This endowed scholarship will be awarded annually to nursing students who display the pioneering spirit of Florence Nightingale.

This year’s top nurses in Michigan come from a variety of clinical roles and settings and were recognized as exceptional in their various nursing roles. Each of the 11 Nightingale Award winners received a check for $1,000, a solid bronze statue of Florence Nightingale and a Nightingale ceremonial pin. Runners-up received a commemorative plaque and Nightingale ceremonial pin. Nominees were nominated by their peers, supervisors and patients in recognition for their superior nursing expertise.

The 2020 Nightingale Awards Presenting sponsor is Ascension Health, the Platinum sponsor is J&B Medical Supply Co. and Gold sponsors are Henry Ford Health System and Beaumont Health.

For more information on the event, please contact Kate Lionas in OU School of Nursing at (248) 342-9024 or by email at nightingale@oakland.edu.
2020 Nightingale Award Winners and Runners Up:

**Advanced Practice Nursing**
Winner: Madonna Ladouceur, Huron Valley Sinai Hospital
Runner-Up: Patricia Klassa, Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital

**OU School of Nursing Distinguished Alumni**
Winner: Christina Boyland, Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak
Runner-Up: Kelley Wilson, Karmanos Cancer Institute

**Excellence in Education**
Winner: Delicia Shimkoski, Hutzel Women's Hospital
Runner-Up: Suzanne Purvis, Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak

**Excellence in Research**
Winner: Toni Glover, Oakland University School of Nursing
Runner-Up: Lindsay Pemble, Beaumont Hospital, Wayne
Emerging Nurse Leader
Winner: Derek Cousino, Beaumont Hospital, Dearborn
Runner-Up: Laura Ashburn, Ascension Providence Hospital, Novi

Executive Administration
Winner: Anne Stewart, Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak
Runner-Up: Julie Nemens, Detroit Medical Center

Nursing in the Community
Winner: LaTosha Whaley-Lawrence, Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak
Runner-Up: Susan Martinez, Oakland County Health Division
Post-Acute Care & Specialty Nursing
Winner: Paula Levesque, Beaumont Health
Runner-Up: Kimberly Jarvis, McLaren Macomb

Staff Nurse (2)
Winner: Kate Wagner, Detroit Medical Center, Harper Hospital
Winner: Christine Diatto, Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak
Runner-Up: Alexis Zynda, Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak
Runner-Up: Marisa Chen, Ascension Providence Hospital, Novi
People's Choice Award
Winner: Vanessa Sesi, Ascension Macomb-Oakland Hospital, Warren Campus
Runner-Up: Christiane Champagne, Residential Home Health