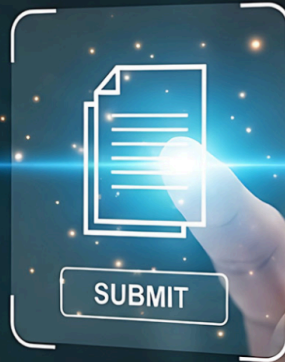


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**BOARD
NOMINATIONS**

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SCHOLARSHIPS**



**ACHIEVEMENT
AWARD
NOMINATIONS**

APRIL 24, 2026

Deadlines Approaching: Board Nominations, GEN Scholarships, and Achievement Award Nominations



Deadlines are fast approaching for three opportunities to recognize practitioners in the FFI membership and beyond!

As FFI marks its 40th anniversary, please do not miss this moment to recognize outstanding practitioners, researchers, and advisors.

Please forward this newsletter to your colleagues!

April 25: Submit Nominations for the FFI Board of Directors

Suggestions for potential nominees to the FFI board of directors are due **tomorrow!**

The 2026 Nominating Committee welcomes suggestions from the FFI membership for nominees for Board of Director positions. These terms will begin immediately following the Annual Meeting in November 2026 and conclude as of the Annual Meeting in 2030.

SUBMIT A NOMINATION

NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S ANNOUNCEMENT

2026 Nominating Committee

Rania Labaki, *chair*

Stacy Allred

Patricia Annino

Ricardo Mejía

Linda Murphy

May 1: Submit Nominations for the Achievement Awards

For more than 40 years, FFI has championed excellence—advancing academic research, promoting best practices, and inspiring professionals across the family enterprise field. The Achievement Awards were inaugurated in 1992 and include the Richard Beckhard Practice Award, the Barbara Hollander Award, the Interdisciplinary Award, and the International Award. They honor the accomplishments of leaders in the field.

Submit a nomination today and help celebrate excellence in the family enterprise field.

SUBMIT A NOMINATION

RICHARD BECKHARD PRACTICE AWARD CRITERIA AND GUIDELINES

BARBARA HOLLANDER AWARD CRITERIA AND GUIDELINES

INTERDISCIPLINARY AWARD CRITERIA AND GUIDELINES

INTERNATIONAL AWARD CRITERIA AND GUIDELINES

2026 Achievement Awards Committee

Daniela Montemerlo, *chair*

Edith Ang

Christine Blondel

Denise Federer

Lisa Morel

Preston Root

Albert Jan Thomassen

May 1: Apply for GEN Scholarships

FFI GEN Scholarships are generously provided for a limited number of individuals who wish to enroll in an FFI GEN certificate program. Each scholarship includes the certificate enrollment fee, one year of FFI membership, and complimentary FFI conference registration during the year of enrollment.

APPLY NOW

Core Program Scholarships

FFI Board Scholarship: Offered annually at the discretion of the FFI Board of Directors to one or more applicants who demonstrate financial need.

Glenn Ayres Memorial Scholarship: (Requires legal background) Offered in 2026 by Carolyn Ayres to honor the intellectual and professional legacy of Glenn Ayres, a scholar, legal practitioner, and past president of FFI.

Waesche Family Scholarship: Offered annually by the Waesche family for those in need of financial support to take the next step in their professional development within the field of family enterprise. Preference will be given to applicants who research and aid in the understanding of the inescapable influence of money on the family enterprise.

Advanced Program Scholarships

Alliant Private Client Scholarship: Offered for next-generation family business members who would like to pursue an Advanced Certificate, further developing their understanding of the family enterprise field. Applicants must have earned a CFBA and/or a CFWA to apply.

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SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS & REQUIREMENTS

We extend our gratitude to the sponsors who make these opportunities possible.

**2026 GLOBAL
CONFERENCE
REGISTRATION IS NOW
OPEN**



Register for the 2026 Global
Conference at the Spring Rate before
June 30.

[VIEW THE PROGRAM AND REGISTER TODAY](#)

**JOIN US ON JUNE 2 FOR
THE REGIONAL
RECEPTION IN BOSTON**

Register now for the June 2 regional
reception in Boston at the Harvard
Club on Commonwealth Avenue.

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PREVIOUS EDITION



The 2026 conference program committee is proud to announce the roster of sessions celebrating the 40th anniversary of FFI's founding. The program has been designed around the theme "Paradigm Shifts" and will take place at the Marriott Marquis on October 29 and 30.

Forty years—a landmark, a moment in time, and an occasion to celebrate in the Big Apple. We look forward to seeing you in October in New York City's Times Square.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

April 25

Deadline to Submit Suggestions for Board Nominations

[SUBMIT BY APRIL 25](#)

May 1

Applications for FFI GEN Scholarships

[APPLY BY MAY 1](#)

FFI Achievement Award Nominations

[SUBMIT BY MAY 1](#)

May 30

Enrollment Deadline for Q2 2026 GEN Certificate Programs

[ENROLL BY MAY 30](#)

June 2

Regional Reception in Boston

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