

YWCA Women of the Year Honorees

Year	Category	First	Last
1973	Arts	Kay	Cann
1973	Business	Grace	Hudson
1973	Civic Affairs	Sheree	Herbst
1973	Community Service	Mrs. A. O.	Stevens
1973	Community Service	Jessie	Wyckoff
1973	Professions	Dr. Georgie	Burt
1973	Religion	Laura	Kay
1973	Volunteer	Rosemary	Feist
1973	Volunteer	Gladys	Ray
1973	Young Woman	Paulette	Rehling
1974	Arts	Isabelle	Thompson
1974	Business	Irene	Fraser
1974	Civic Affairs	Pat	Beckman
1974	Community Service	Stella	Hohncke
1974	Community Service	Laura	Scherfenberg
1974	Education	Joan	Miller
1974	Professions	Doris	Eastman
1974	Religion	Helen	Bailly
1974	Special Recognition	Dorothy	Banks
1974	Volunteer	Elsie	Welter
1974	Young woman	Synneva	Horvik
1975		Lois	Bangsberg
1975		Florenz	Bjornson
1975		Dorothy	Collins
1975		Winifred	Fabel Stockman
1975		Agnes	Geelan
1975		Harriet	Geib
1975		Betty	Litten
1975		Nell	Murfin
1975		Hanny	Wright
1975	Centennial Awards	Elizabeth	Alsop
1976	Arts	Bea	Cummings
1976	Business	Ruth E.	Hanson
1976	Civic Affairs	Aloha	Eagles
1976	Education	Katherine	Burgum
1976	Professions	Carol	Hinz
1976	Religion	Matilda	Moen
1976	Special Recognition	Lenore	Tenneson
1976	Volunteer	Grace	Leigh
1976	Young woman	Janet	Benson
1977	Arts	Kay	Ornberg
1977	Arts	Stella	Pollock
1977	Business	Mavis	Whiting
1977	Civic Affairs	Phyllis	Onsgard
1977	Education	Ruth	Hoglund
1977	Education	Maridell	Reid
1977	Professions	Florence	Reid
1977	Religion	Florence	Eichmiller
1977	Religion	Betty	Feder
1977	Volunteer	Grace	Tveiten
1977	Young Woman	Katie	Kiefer

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1978	Arts	Phyllis	Welch Thysell
1978	Business	Lucille	Campbell
1978	Civic Affairs	Lola	Ruff
1978	Community Service	Helen	Crary
1978	Community Service	Lillie	Kittlesrud
1978	Community Service	Ruth	Landfield
1978	Education	Marion	Benson
1978	Education	Sally	Kemp
1978	Religion	Agnes	Eriksmoen
1978	Religion	Str. Mary Bernarda	Sanoski
1978	Volunteer	Marion	Sansted
1978	Young woman	Julie	Eklund
1979	Arts	Patricia Ann	Votava
1979	Business	Betty	Good
1979	Civic Affairs	Ann	Powers
1979	Community Service	Louise	Nettleton
1979	Education	Betty	Malen Anderson
1979	Professions	Elaine	White
1979	Religion	Phyllis	Erickson
1979	Volunteer	Marion	Brown
1979	Young Woman	Paulette	Wood
1979	YWCA Extraordinary Service	Marilyn	Zimmerman
1980	Arts	Margaret	Bailly
1980	Business	Min	Jones Bohlig
1980	Church Serv	Leota	Leintz
1980	Civic Affairs	Gen	Harris
1980	Civic Affairs	A. J.	Remsing
1980	Continuing Serv	Em	Laskey
1980	Continuing Serv	Carol	Spurbeck
1980	Education	Dorothy	Johnson
1980	Professional	Susan	Crockett
1980	Sports & Rec	Mary	Wadnizak
1980	Volunteer	Kit	Scherber
1980	Woman of Tomorrow	Jolene	Jensen
1981	Arts	Susan	Freeman
1981	Business	Ida	Amundson
1981	Church	Joan Marie	Hill
1981	Church	Str. Jane	Walker
1981	Community Service	Tracey	Moorhead
1981	Education	Marlys	Callahan
1981	Education	Margaret	Reed
1981	Gov't.	Shirley	Peterson
1981	Media	Kathy	Coyale
1981	Professions	Joy	Query
1981	Sports	Paula	Bauck
1981	Woman of Tomorrow	Barbara	Stobb
1982	Arts	Carolyn	Corwin Berringer
1982	Business	Barbara	Buchanan
1982	Community Service	Beth	Agnew
1982	Community Service	Judi	Mouw
1982	Education	Lillian	Goettler

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1982	Education	Doris	Hertsgaard
1982	Gov't.	Beverly	Bernhagen
1982	Media/Comm	Virginia	Geston
1982	Professions	Judith	Dulski
1982	Religion	Irene	Regan
1982	Sports	Collette	Buhr Folstad
1982	Young Woman	Jan	Haag
1983	Arts	Evelyn	Nelson
1983	Business	Corinne	Stefanson
1983	Community Service	Kathleen	Kadrmass
1983	Education	Karen	Okerlund
1983	Gov't/Politics	Georgiann	Stenerson
1983	Media & Comm	Lou	Richardson
1983	Professions	Lois	Nelson
1983	Religion	Virginia	Kolba
1983	Sports	Deborah	Gavin
1983	Young Woman	Nancy Kae	Landmark
1984	Arts	Marillyn	Nass
1984	Business	Mary	Hisley
1984	Community Service	Susan	Spain
1984	Education	Nancy	Harris
1984	Politics	Betty Lou	Pyle
1984	Professions	Ellen	Mahli
1984	Religion	Str. Maurine	Cote
1984	Volunteer	Judy	Ellingson
1984	Young Woman	Lisa	Godon
1986	Arts	Catherine	Mulligan
1986	Business	Virginia	Gregg
1986	Community Service	Diane	Wray Williams
1986	Education	Dr. Harriet	Light
1986	Gov't.	Carol	Spichke
1986	Politics	Betty Jean	Pyle
1986	Professions	Beryl	Levine
1986	Religion	Louise	Nettleton
1986	Sports	Marvel	Froemming
1986	Volunteer	Alice	Hill
1986	Young Woman	Jerilyn	Brantner
1987	Arts	Vicki	Chepulis
1987	Business	Betty	Opheim
1987	Community Service	Lois	Hanson
1987	Education	Rose	Andersen
1987	Gov't.	Pauline	Sarbaum
1987	Politics	Shirley	Sinclair
1987	Volunteer	Florence	Ryland
1987	Young Woman	Sara	Coomber
1988	Agriculture	Dr. Marcia	McMullen
1988	Arts	Ruth	Berge
1988	Business	Alma	Cater
1988	Community Service	Darlene	Rogers
1988	Education	Karen	Montgomery
1988	Man of Year	C. Warner	Litten

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1988	Professions	Kathleen	Weir
1988	Public Service	Doris Jean	Heroff
1988	Religion	Str. Mary Margaret	Mooney
1988	Sports	Lynn	Dorn
1988	Young Woman	Joni	Ringdahl
1989	Advocate-child	Sharon	Dardis
1989	Agriculture	Mary Lou	Straley
1989	Arts	Kim	Baird
1989	Education	Alice	Underbakke
1989	Health Care	Kathryn	Benson
1989	Man of Year	Ben	Clapp
1989	Professions	Mary Beth	Donaldson
1989	Public Service	Diane	Meyer
1989	Religion	Hariette	Thom
1989	Volunteer	Gwen	Rust
1989	Young Woman	LeeAnn	Hiestand
1990	Advocate-child	Karen	Danbom
1990	Arts	Elizabeth	Hannaher
1990	Business	Joan	Lauf
1990	Education	Lynn	Prom
1990	Health Care	Karen	Robinson
1990	Professions	Darlene	Weber
1990	Religion	Marcella	Depute
1990	Volunteer Service	Muriel	Holman
1990	Young Woman	Kathryn	Hunt
1991	Arts	Helen	Cermack
1991	Business	Susan	Jensen
1991	Education	Barbara	Redlin-Sweeney
1991	Health Care	Arlette	Haugen (Preston?)
1991	Professions	Melinda	Hohncke
1991	Public Service	Marlene	Koenig
1991	Religion	Str. Mary	Palmer
1991	Religion	Str. Julia	Wirth
1991	Sports	Amy	Ruley
1991	Volunteer	Esther	Allen
1991	Young Woman	Heather	Agnew
1992	Advocate for the Child	Karen	Eisenhardt
1992	Arts	Carole	Kline
1992	Business	Sharon	Larkin
1992	Education	Mary	Herring
1992	Health	Evelyn	Quigley
1992	Professions	Patricia	Halvorson
1992	Public Service	Peggy	Jarvis
1992	Religion	Str. Elaine	Dufresne
1992	Sports	Kelli	Layman
1992	Volunteer	Carol A.	Johnson
1992	Young Woman	Cheri	Quanbeck
1993	Admin Support	Kathy	Richardson
1993	Advocate-child	Sheila	Stack
1993	Business	Jeanne	Weber Dotson
1993	Education	Nancy	Jordheim

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1993	Health Care	Pamela	Schaefer
1993	Professions	Str. Carmen	Rodriguez
1993	Religion	Str. Brenda	Hannon
1993	Volunteer	Beverly	Paulson
1993	Young Woman	Jill	Henderson
1994	Admin Support	Jean	Monson
1994	Advocate-child	Lorrie	Thoemke
1994	Arts	June	Boyd
1994	Business	Jarilyn	Gess
1994	Education	Monica	Kersting
1994	Health Care	Jane	Bovard
1994	Health Care	Geraldine	Weeding
1994	Professions	Merrie Sue	Holtan
1994	Public Serv	Bernice Joan	Pavek
1994	Religion	Str. Mary Ann	Welsch
1994	Volunteer	Judy	Lee
1994	Young Woman	Dana Monet	Carlson
1994	Young Woman	Genevieve Rose	Edwards
1995	Admin Support	Luann	Gross
1995	Advocate-child	Amy	Maier
1995	Arts	Debora	Harris
1995	Business	Suzon	Braun
1995	Education	Annalee	Pomonis
1995	Health Care	Janell Lynn	Christenson
1995	Health Care	Sonia	McManus
1995	Professions	Mary Ellen	Heian Schmider
1995	Public Service	Ronni	Miller
1995	Volunteer	Lucy	Kjar
1995	Young Woman	Kimberly Beth	Rasmusson
1996	Admin Support	Joyce	Brienen
1996	Advocate-child	Verlene	Dvoracek
1996	Business	Dana Sue	Buchholz
1996	Education	Linda	Finneman
1996	Health Care	Barbara	Vellenga
1996	Professions	Deb	Kluck
1996	Public Service	Millie	MacLeod
1996	Religion	Sharon	Secor
1996	Volunteer	Heather	Ellis
1996	Young Woman	Sara	Breneman
1997	Administrative Support	Laurie	Whitehead
1997	Advocate for the Child	Keatha	Mcleod
1997	Art	Cheryl	Blakely Moewes
1997	Business	Kim	Ouren
1997	Education	Tricia	Henrickson
1997	Health Care	Dr. Godela	Iverson
1997	Professions	Elizabeth	Danielson
1997	Public Service	Kathy	Kowitz
1997	Religion	Vicki	Schmidt
1997	Volunteer Service	Diane	Gerst
1997	Young Woman of Tomorrow	Heather	Carlson
1998	Admin Support	Sandi	Dvorak

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1998	Advocate-child	DeAnn	Johnson
1998	Arts	Patricia	Sondrall
1998	Business	Judy	Olson
1998	Education	Hazel	Houkom
1998	Health Care	Joetta	Barnes
1998	Professions	Karla	Abdo
1998	Public Service	Patty	Roller
1998	Student-higher learning	Marty Jo	Hoffmann
1998	Volunteer	Marlene	Daul
1998	Young Woman	Prairie	Seminole Rose
1999	Admin Support	Kay	Rokke
1999	Advocate-child	Helen	Danielson
1999	Arts	Susan	Boyd
1999	Business	Jane	Beare
1999	Education	Beverly	Wesley
1999	Health Care	Margaret	Dahl
1999	Professions	Arlette	Preston
1999	Public Service	Bette	Midgarden
1999	Religion	Kathy	Vitalis Hoffman
1999	Student-higher learning	Melissa	Britton
1999	Volunteer	Patricia A.	Johnson
1999	Young Woman	Madelin Liisa	Arola
2000	Admin Support	Becky	Jahnke
2000	Advocate-child	Lorraine	Sparke
2000	Business	Karla	Aaland
2000	Education	Nancy	Frosaker Johnson
2000	Professions	Yoke-Sim	Gunaratne
2000	Public Service	Barbara	Sipson
2000	Religion	Amy	Current
2000	Student-higher ed	Nicole	Kahl
2000	Volunteer	Jan	Spaeth
2000	Young Woman	Jody	Jensen
2001	Admin Support	Ronda	Rheault
2001	Advocate-child	Martha	DiCicco
2001	Arts	Cindy	Snelling
2001	Business	LaVerne	Czichotzki
2001	Education	Judy	Mathison
2001	Health Care	Mary Jo	Hannasch
2001	Professions	Melinda L.	Hanson
2001	Public Service	Lisa	Borgen
2001	Religion	Dorcas	Wang
2001	Student-higher learning	Jodi	Vesterby
2001	Volunteer	Tracey	Braeger
2001	Young Woman	Rose	Beauclair
2002	Advocate-wellness	Cynthia	Herfindahl
2002	Advocate-youth	Donna	Norquay
2002	Arts/Comm	Deborah	Jenkins
2002	Business	LaRayne	Longtine
2002	Community	Judy	Siegle
2002	Education	Vicki	Wiisanen
2002	Owens	Marilyn	White
2002	Volunteer	Irene	Hogan

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2002	Young Leader	Melanie	Miller
2003	Advocate-Equality	Lysa	Ringquist
2003	Advocate-Wellness	Janet	Drechsel
2003	Advocate-Youth	Sue	Heinze
2003	Arts	Vicky Jo	Bogart
2003	Business	Sharon	Kaseman
2003	Business that Empowerws Women	Kathy	Hogan
2003	Education	Sharon	Anderson
2003	Florence Reed Owens	Sister Jane	Walker
2003	Volunteer	Monica	Millette
2003	Young Leader of Today	Fowzia	Adde
2004	Advocate-Equality	Dara Adele	Lee
2004	Advocate-Youth	Angela	Hill
2004	Business	Pamela (skyy)	McNair
2004	Education	Michele	McRae
2004	Faith Community	Carolyn	Wright
2004	Florence Reed Owens	Frances	Akeley Lontz
2004	Volunteer	Willy	Jacobson
2004	Wellness	Helaine	Arnold
2004	Young Leader	Kate M.	Olson
2005	Art/Communication	Sandra	Miles
2005	Business	Rhonda	King
2005	Business that Empowers Women	Jodee	Bock
2005	Community Service	Bessie	Askew
2005	Education	Betty	Dahm Patterson
2005	Faith Community	Linda	Schroeder
2005	Florence Reed Owens	Ardis	Sandvig
2005	Volunteer Service	Mary Jo	Richard
2005	Wellness	Vi	Deilke
2005	Young Woman of Tomorrow 15-18	Eleanor	Wilking
2005	Young Women of Tomorrow 19-25	Sara Jo	Berge
2006	Advocate-Equality	Diane	Wray Williams
2006	Art/Communication	Sue	Petry
2006	Business	Catie	Tinjum
2006	Business that Empowers Women	Natalie	Sparrow
2006	Community Service	Julie	Gunkelman
2006	Education	Donna	Lemar
2006	Faith Community	Gail	Gunst
2006	Florence Reed Owens	Dr. Norma	Kiser-Larson
2006	Volunteer Service	Brenda	Rosten
2006	Wellness	Dr. Kristina A.	A. Schlecht
2006	Young Woman of Tomorrow 15-18	Brita	Thomas
2006	Young Women of Tomorrow 19-25	Amanda	Belcourt
2007	Advocate for Equality	Nazdar	Hassan
2007	Arts & Communications	Lyn	Nichols
2007	Business	Carol	Rogne
2007	Community Service	Angela	Bachman
2007	Education	Kimberly	Belgarde
2007	Faith Community	Ann	Sezcko
2007	Florence Reed Owens	Mary Margaret	Mooney
2007	Volunteer Service	Nancy	Israelson

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2007	Wellness	Elizabeth	Faust
2007	Young Woman of Tomorrow 15-18	Alexis	Stadstad
2007	Young Woman of Tomorrow 19-25	Melissa	Kirklewski
2007	Youth Advocacy	Dr. Alonna	Norberg
2008	Advocating for Equality	Jane	Nelson
2008	Arts & Communication	Donna	Chalimonczyk
2008	Business	Jane C.	Voglewede
2008	Business/Organization	Tri-College NEW	
2008	Community Service	Jessica A.	Thomasson
2008	Education	Kyja	Kristjansson-Nelson
2008	Faith Community	Sister Andrea	Arendt, PBVM
2008	Florence Reed Owens	Carol	Stoudt
2008	Volunteer Service	Tracy	Briggs
2008	Wellness	Carly	Nelson
2008	Young Woman of Tomorrow 15-18	Devany A.	Schulz
2008	Young Woman of Tomorrow 19-25	Hillary	Scherweit
2008	Youth Advocacy	Melody	Staebner
2009	Advocating for Equality	Donna	Wood
2009	Arts & Communications	Penny	Ripperger
2009	Business	Tammy	Miller
2009	Community Service	Shirley	Sjue
2009	Education	Virginia Clark	Johnson
2009	Florence Reed Owens	Mary Deutsch	Schneider
2009	Volunteer Service	Sue	Huguelet
2009	Wellness	Jan	Nelson
2009	Young Woman of Tomorrow (15-18)	Lauren	Blanshan
2009	Youth Advocacy	Kim	Pladson
2010	Advocating for Equality	Patricia	Patron
2010	Arts & Communications	Kay	Hilde
2010	Business	Danette	Nicoloff
2010	Business / Organization that Empowers Women	Vogel Law Firm	
2010	Community Service	Cindy	Miller
2010	Education	Penny	Andrist
2010	Faith Community	Paula	Mehmel
2010	Volunteer Service	Shelly	Richard
2010	Wellness	Tracie	Mallberg
2010	Young Woman of Today & Tomorrow	Amanda	Cashman
2010	Youth Advocacy	Adair	Grommesh
2011	Arts & Communications	Anne	Kaese
2011	Business	Lynn	Motteberg
2011	Business/Organization that Empowers Women	Microsoft	Microsoft
2011	Community Service	Deb	Watne
2011	Education	Karen	Eriksmoen
2011	Lifetime Achievement	Dr. Kate	Haugen
2011	Volunteer Service	Donna	Voorhees
2011	Wellness	Theresa	Larson
2011	Young Woman of Today & Tomorrow	Meghan	Pegel
2012	Advocating for Equality	Kim	Seeb
2012	Arts & Communications	Claudia	Pratt
2012	Business	Marta	Ybarra



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2012	Business/Organization that Empowers Women	Rape and Abuse Crisis Center of Fargo-Moorhead	
2012	Community Service	Linda	Clark
2012	Education	Sarah	Dodd
2012	Faith Community	Amy	Kippen
2012	Lifetime Achievement	Julie	Blehm, MD
2012	Volunteer Service	Megan	Riegel
2012	Wellness	Dr. Susan	Farkas
2012	Young Woman of Today & Tomorrow	Kate	Wiste
2012	Youth Advocacy	Susan K.	Smith
2013	Advocating for Equality	Jody	Hudson
2013	Business	Julie	Brunette
2013	Business Organization that Empowers Women	Fredrikson & Byron, P.A.	
2013	Community Service	Kathy	Smith
2013	Education	Nancy H.	Murphy
2013	Faith Community	Lois	Ustanko
2013	Florence Reed Owens Lifetime Achievement	Dr. Terrie L.	Manno
2013	Volunteer Service	Paula	Kelly
2013	Wellness	Dr. Janine	Carson
2013	Young Women of Today & Tomorrow	Kristina	Heggedal
2013	Youth Advocacy	Anna	Frissell
2014	Advocating for Equality	Amy	Herrick
2014	Arts & Communications	Susie	Ekberg Risher
2014	Business	Michelle	Killoran
2014	Business Organization that Empowers Women	Eide Bailly LLP	
2014	Community Service	Heather	Ranck
2014	Education	Jane	Greminger
2014	Faith Community	Gerri	Leach
2014	Florence Reed Owens Lifetime Achievement	Carol A.	Johnson
2014	Volunteer Service	Andrea	Wagner
2014	Wellness	Jane	Taber
2014	Young Women of Today & Tomorrow	Annisie	Montplaisir
2014	Youth Advocacy	Lisa	Schwinden
2015	Advocating for Equality	Kim	Pladson
2015	Arts & Communications	Tammy	Noteboom
2015	Business	Jeana	Peinovich
2015	Business/Organization that empowers women	Discovery Benefits	
2015	Community Service	Mary	Stenson
2015	Education	Gayle	Hyde
2015	Faith Community	Pastor Gloria	Shields
2015	Lifetime Achievement	Carla	Hansen
2015	Volunteer Service	Tavia	Smith
2015	Wellness	Dr. Shelby	Terstriep
2015	Young Woman of Today & Tomorrow	Britany	Williams
2015	Youth Advocacy	Wendy	Iwerks
2016	Advocating for Equality	Amy	Jacobson
2016	Arts and Culture	Lisa	Tate
2016	Business	Nancy	Soyring
2016	Communications	Shannon	Charpentier
2016	Community and Volunteer Service	Tonya	Stende
2016	Education	Jennifer	Frueh

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2016	Health and Wellness	Jennifer	Raum
2016	Leader in Women's Empowerment	National Hospitality Services	Services
2016	Lifetime Achievement	Alice	Christianson
2016	Science and Technology	Michelle	Weber
2016	Youth Advocacy	Michelle	Kommer
2017	Advocating for Equality	Jan	Eliassen
2017	Arts & Culture	Linda	Boyd
2017	Business	Ellen	Cooke
2017	Communications	Kristina	Hein
2017	Community & Volunteer Service	Jodi	Heilman
2017	Education	Beth	Ekre
2017	Faith	Sister Juli	Caron
2017	Health and Wellness	Michelle	Gelinske
2017	Leader in Women's Empowerment	CoreLink	CoreLink
2017	Lifetime Achievement	Sister Peggy	Byrne
2017	Science & Technology	Jane	Schuh, Ph.D.
2017	Young Woman of Today & Tomorrow	Lynna	Ngo
2017	Youth Advocacy	Alaina	Johnson
2018	Advocating for Equality	Whitney	Fear
2018	Arts & Culture	Chelsey	Ewen
2018	Business	Tamara	Andersen
2018	Community & Volunteer Service	Sandra	Buchholz
2018	Education	Mary Ann	Donnay
2018	Faith Community	Major Elaine	Medlock
2018	Health and Wellness	Dr. Stacey	Benson
2018	Leader in Women's Empowerment	United Way 35 Under 35 Women's Leadership Program	
2018	Lifetime Achievement	Jan	Adair
2018	Science & Technology	Bethlehem	Gronneberg
2018	Young Woman of Today & Tomorrow	Nidhi	Mahale
2018	Youth Advocacy	Lorrie	Thoemke
2019	Advocating for Equality	Dr. Dawn	Duncan
2019	Business Management and Entrepreneurship	Susan	Jarvis
2019	COMMUNICATION 2019	Kirsten	Jensen
2019	Community & Volunteer Service	Maureen	Bartelt
2019	Education	Jana	Bruhschwein
2019	Health and Wellness	Britt	Selbo
2019	Leader in Women's Empowerment	Ladyboss FM	Ladyboss FM
2019	Lifetime Achievement	Cyndy	Skorick
2019	Science & Technology	Taya	Spelhaug
2019	Young Woman of Today & Tomorrow	Katie	Mastel
2019	Youth Advocacy	Sara	Stallman