



2011 Governors Arts Awards Nomination Guidelines

Extended Nomination Postmark Deadline: February 18, 2011

The New Hampshire State Council on the Arts issues a call for nominations for the 2011 Governors Arts Awards. The honorary awards recognize outstanding contributions to the excellence, growth, support, and availability of the arts in New Hampshire.

AWARD CATEGORIES:

The **Arts Education Award** recognizes an individual, not-for-profit organization, school district or community that has made an outstanding contribution to arts education within the past three years. Contributions may include the securing of increased funding to arts education, the implementation of a comprehensive arts curriculum or innovation in the classroom.

The **Cultural Access Leadership Award** recognizes a New Hampshire not-for-profit arts organization for practicing exemplary cultural access that includes and addresses programmatic as well as physical access. Programmatic access involves adapting the presentation of art-making, art exhibits, musical performances, and theatrical productions so that people with and without disabilities have opportunities to experience the arts. This award is co-sponsored by Granite State Independent Living.

The **Community Spirit Award** recognizes a city, town or village government or community wide non-arts organization (e.g., Chamber of Commerce or Main Street program) that significantly fostered the arts through funding and/or program initiatives within the past three years. Examples include major municipal support to a cultural facility or public art program, establishment of a local arts commission or council, the creation of unique public/private partnerships to promote cultural tourism and/or significant increases in local public support for the arts.

The **Distinguished Arts Leadership Award** recognizes an individual who has played a sustained role in the advancement, direction, or management of a New Hampshire not-for-profit arts organization. Examples may include Executive Director, Artistic Director or Board President.

The **Folk Heritage Award** recognizes a New Hampshire traditional folk artist who has made a significant contribution to his or her art form and to his or her cultural community, reflecting a lifetime of achievement. Traditional art forms are those art forms, passed informally from generation to generation, that reflect the culture of a particular community defined by ethnic heritage, occupational, religious, geographic, or familial groups.

The **Individual Arts Patron Award** recognizes a New Hampshire resident who has made a significant contribution to the support of the arts in New Hampshire. Contributions may include donations of money, time, goods, or services that over time have significantly increased support for the arts.

The **Lotte Jacobi Living Treasure Award** recognizes a professional New Hampshire artist, in any discipline, who has made a significant contribution to his or her art form and to the arts community of New Hampshire, reflecting a lifetime of achievement. ** This award is named after the late Johanna Alexandra (Lotte) Jacobi (1896-1990), a photographer of great national and international renown. Born in Germany, she immigrated to the United States and spent her latter years as a resident of Deering, NH.*

Special Awards: Occasionally, the State Arts Council recognizes individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the arts in New Hampshire but do not fit into any of the above categories. These unique awards are determined by the State Arts Council and presented at Governors Arts Awards.

ELIGIBILITY:

Individuals nominated must be residents of New Hampshire or have made significant contributions to the arts while residents of the state.

Organizations and cities/towns nominated must be physically located in New Hampshire.

The following are not eligible:

- Self-nominations
- Posthumous nominations
- Nominations of current Council members and employees of the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts

SELECTION & PRESENTATION:

A Governors Arts Awards Review Panel will be appointed by State Arts Council. Nominees for the Cultural Access Leadership award will receive a site visit by Granite State Independent Living as part of the review process.

Nominees will be notified of the results of the review in March 2011. The 2011 Governors Arts Awards will be presented at a ceremony in April 2011.

HOW TO MAKE A NOMINATION:

Please submit a total of nine (9) sets of the nomination packet (original plus 8 copies).

Required Elements of the Nomination Packet:

1. 2011 Governors Arts Awards Nomination Form.
2. A written nomination narrative of up to two (2) pages (12 pt type with 1" margins) stating the nominee's accomplishments and contributions to the excellence, growth, support, and availability of the arts in New Hampshire as they relate to one of the award categories and why the nominee is deserving of state recognition. Please be as specific as possible in addressing the purpose of the award.
3. Include at least three (3) letters of support for the nomination. Letters should address the contributions the nominee has made to the state and reason the nominee is deserving of state recognition.

4. Other written materials to support the nomination (not to exceed 10 pages). These might include newspaper articles, brochures, statistics, resume, biographical information, etc.

Note: In addition to the paper copies submitted, the 2-page narrative must be available, **only upon request**, for the visually impaired on disk or electronically in 16 pt. accessible font, double-spaced. (Arial, Helvetica, Times Roman or Verdana)

Optional:

If applicable, you may include one (1) CD/DVD of up to 20 images in IBM jpg format and/or three (3) audio/video samples recordings of the nominee's work.

HOW TO SUBMIT A NOMINATION:

Collate the nomination form, 2-page narrative, and written attachments into nine (9) packets. Pack all sets in a single envelope along with the optional CD/DVD and mail to:

Governors Arts Awards
New Hampshire State Council on the Arts
2 ½ Beacon Street, Suite 225
Concord, NH 03301

IMPORTANT: The strongest nominations provide the review panel with clear and persuasive narratives and include carefully selected and relevant information. Materials submitted will not be returned. Please do not send one-of-a-kind valuable materials.

DEADLINE

Nominations must be postmarked **no later than the extended deadline of February 18, 2011** or hand-delivered to the NH State Council on the Arts by 4:15 PM on that day.

If you have questions about Governors Arts Award nominations, please contact either:
Lynn Martin Graton, Acting Director at (603)271-8418 or lynn.j.graton@dcr.nh.gov
Cassandra Mason, Chief Grants Officer at (603)271-7926 or cassandra.mason@dcr.nh.gov

If you have questions about the format of your electronic materials, please contact Julie Mento at (603) 271-0790 or julie.mento@dcr.nh.gov

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NOMINEE

Name (First, Last)
Contact person for organization or town:
Address:
City, State, Zip Code
Phone (day)
Email

NOMINATOR

Name (First, Last)
Address:
City, State, Zip Code
Phone (day)
Email

AWARD CATEGORY (please select one)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts Education Award | <input type="checkbox"/> Folk Heritage Award |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Access Leadership | <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Arts Patron Award |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Spirit Award | <input type="checkbox"/> Lotte Jacobi Living Treasure Award |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Distinguished Arts Leadership Award | |

Please submit a total of nine (9) sets (1 original and 8 copies) of:

- Nomination Form
- 2-page narrative
- 3 letters of support
- Up to 10 pages of additional support materials [optional]

[Optional]

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