



2017 Oregon Governor's Arts Awards Call for Nominations



A partnership between the Office of the Governor and the Oregon Arts Commission, the Governor's Arts Awards recognize and honor individuals and organizations that have made significant contributions to the arts in Oregon. Established in 1977, the Governor's Arts Awards will be reinstated after a several-year hiatus as the kick-off celebration for the Arts Commission's 50th anniversary.

The Governor's Arts Awards ceremony, hosted by Governor Kate Brown, will take place in conjunction with the Oregon Arts Summit from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 6, 2017, at the Hilton Portland Downtown.

Eligibility

The Governor's Arts Awards are open to any individual, organization or community that currently resides in or has a significant presence in Oregon and has made outstanding contributions to the arts in the state. Past recipients of a Governor's Arts Award are not eligible (see [past recipients](#)).

The review committee, comprised of a representative from the Governor's office, an Arts Commissioner and three to five arts leaders from across the state, will use the following categories as a guideline in ensuring a broad range of recipients:

Arts advocacy awards recognizing individuals, organizations and institutions that cultivate opportunities for engaging the arts and raising awareness of the state's cultural community.

Arts education awards honoring teachers or recognizing schools, school boards and students.

Arts organization awards honoring the work of arts service groups and arts institutions, inclusive of various arts disciplines.

Business support for the arts awards for corporate patrons and various types of businesses, including newspapers, TV stations and other media companies.

Community awards recognizing exemplary arts-based community development, service and place-making.

Folk/Traditional arts/Heritage awards for craftspeople, folk artists, arts educators and advocates fostering traditional art forms and cultural heritage.

Government support for the arts awards recognizing state legislators, local agencies and other government employees or entities.

Individual artist awards, discipline-specific or all-inclusive.

Leadership awards recognizing arts managers and arts organizations that strengthen the state's arts community, reduce barriers to cultural participation and more.

Lifetime achievement awards for artists, arts managers, advocates and others who strengthen the state's culture through decades of service.

Patron/Philanthropy awards recognizing individuals and other entities that financially support the arts.

Evaluation Criteria

Awards are based on:

- Regional, national or international recognition for the nominee's contributions
- Role in improving the quality of arts experiences and appreciation for the arts in Oregon
- Contributions to advancing the arts' positive impact on Oregonians' quality of life
- Length of service to the arts in Oregon.

Timeline

Nominations must be received by 5pm, Friday, June 30, 2017. Nominators and recipients will be notified by July 28, 2017. Awardees must be able to attend the Arts Awards ceremony from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 6 (Arts Commission will assist with needed travel expenses).

Submission Instructions

Nomination materials must be submitted electronically, or postmarked, by 5pm, June 30, 2017. Send electronically to [Eleanor Sandys](#) with the subject line "Arts Award Nomination," or mail to: Oregon Arts Commission, 775 Summer St. NE, Suite 200, Salem, OR 97301.

To nominate an individual, organization or community, please submit the following items:

1. Nomination form (only one nomination per form)
2. One-page narrative addressing why the nominee meets the award criteria. Explain why the nominee's efforts and accomplishments are noteworthy.
3. One-page brief biography or description of the recipient.
4. Optional: Supporting materials documenting the nominee's contributions, such as e-mail attachments or hyperlinks to video recordings, press clippings, catalogs, images, programs, letters of support, etc.

Questions? Please contact [Eleanor Sandys](#), (503) 986-0091.



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Nomination Form

Nominee:	
Mailing Address:	
City, State:	Zip:
Email:	Phone:
Contact Person (<i>if different than nominee</i>):	
Email:	Phone:

Nominator:	
Mailing Address:	
City, State:	Zip:
Email:	Phone:
Contact Person (<i>if different than nominator</i>):	
Email:	Phone:

Provide a narrative below that addresses why this individual, organization or community meets the criteria of the Governor’s Arts Awards. Explain why the nominee’s efforts or accomplishments are noteworthy.

Please provide a brief biography or description of recipient.