



NOMINATION APPLICATION

Nomination Deadline:
Wednesday, February 21, 2018

AWARDS CEREMONY

Wednesday, March 7, 2018, 6 p.m., The Culture Center, State Capitol Complex

ABOUT THE AWARDS

The Governor's Arts Awards celebrate excellence in the arts in West Virginia. The awards focus attention on the importance of arts to individual and economic development in the Mountain State by honoring individuals and organizations whose creative achievements and significant contributions to the arts enhance life in West Virginia.

ELIGIBILITY

Nominees must be residents living in or organizations (corporations, nonprofit organizations) based in or doing a majority of business in West Virginia. Members of the selection committee and West Virginia Commission on the Arts and West Virginia Division of Culture and History staff and their immediate family members are not eligible. Posthumous nominations are not accepted.

NOMINATIONS

Nominees must meet the eligibility requirements. The written nomination must specify the significance of the nominee's contributions to the arts as defined by the award category for which the nominee is entered. Nominations packets must be complete upon receipt at the Culture Center; supplemental documentation sent separately will not be accepted for the nomination. The selection committee may reject any nomination that it considers incomplete.

SELECTION

Award winners will be chosen by a selection committee that may include West Virginia Division of Culture and History staff, West Virginia Commission on the Arts board members, and arts representatives from around the state.

The selection committee may choose to give more than one award or no award in any category.

The committee will recommend the top three scoring nominees for the Governor's Arts Award for Lifetime Achievement to the Governor who will select the awardee.

Award winners and those who nominated them will be notified by February 28, 2018, of the selections.

APPLICATION CRITERIA

Nominations should be no more than 12 single-sided pages. All nominations must be typed in at least 12-point font size. Submitted materials become the property of the West Virginia Division of Culture and History and will not be returned. Original art, books and photo albums will not be accepted.

1. Complete Nomination Form – one single-sided page
2. Written Statement of Achievements and/or Contributions – two pages
 - a. Describe the significance and magnitude of the nominee's arts contributions and achievements.
 - b. Include a list of the individuals and groups that benefit from and/or are served by the nominee.
 - c. Describe all partners and collaborators involved with the nominee's achievements.
 - d. Include the geographic area reached by the nominee's work. Work may be at the local, regional or national level.
3. Supporting Documents – no more than five pages, single sided
 - a. Letters of support
 - b. Resume of individual OR organizational description and statement of purpose
4. Visual Support Materials – No more than four single-sided pages
 - a. News clippings or broadcast transcript
 - b. No more than one page of web-based resources or links that support the nominee.

All nominations must be submitted to the Arts Section by 5 p.m. February 21, 2018. They must be postmarked by February 17, 2018, if mailed or may be hand delivered by 5 p.m. February 21, 2018, to:

Arts Section
Governor's Arts Award Nomination
The Culture Center
1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East
Charleston WV 25305



2018 NOMINATION CATEGORIES

Select one category per nomination.

SUSAN S. LANDIS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE ARTS – INDIVIDUAL recognizes an individual of exceptional talent, creativity and energy who has contributed to the arts and fostered growth in arts programs, influenced trends and represented West Virginia arts with distinction on state, regional and national levels.

SUSAN S. LANDIS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE ARTS – ORGANIZATION recognizes an organization that has demonstrated exceptional support for talent, creativity and energy and that has contributed to the arts and fostered growth in arts programs, influenced trends and represented West Virginia arts with distinction on state, regional and national levels.

ARTIST OF THE YEAR recognizes an individual artist who demonstrates excellence in his/her art discipline and whose work significantly impacts and contributes to an appreciation of or the growth of arts in West Virginia.

ARTS ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR recognizes an organization that demonstrates excellence in support of and/or presenting the arts in a way that significantly impacts and contributes to an appreciation of or the growth of arts in West Virginia.

ARTS IN EDUCATION – INDIVIDUAL recognizes the work of an individual to strengthen arts education in West Virginia schools, providing creative opportunities for students to participate in arts education. Nomination must demonstrate the impact of the work.

ARTS IN EDUCATION – ORGANIZATION recognizes the work of an organization to strengthen arts education in West Virginia schools, providing creative opportunities for students to participate in arts education. Nomination must demonstrate the impact of the work.

ARTS PATRON – INDIVIDUAL recognizes an individual who helps to improve the quality of life in West Virginia by supporting arts programs, projects and activities that showcase arts and encourage others to realize the value and importance of arts to the state's cultural and economic wellbeing.

ARTS PATRON – ORGANIZATION recognizes an organization that helps to improve the quality of life in West Virginia by supporting arts programs, projects and activities that showcase arts and encourage others to realize the value and importance of arts to the state's cultural and economic wellbeing.

LEADERSHIP IN THE ARTS – INDIVIDUAL recognizes an individual who demonstrates exceptional leadership in promoting access to the arts in communities throughout the state of West Virginia.

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GOVERNOR'S ARTS AWARD FOR LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT recognizes an individual or organization for a lifetime of significant commitment to the arts, through personal talent and skills, lifelong arts educational leadership or support of arts development in West Virginia.



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NOMINATION FORM

Please mark the category for this nomination:

- Susan S. Landis Distinguished Service to the Arts – Individual
- Susan S. Landis Distinguished Service to the Arts – Organization
- Artist of the Year
- Arts Organization of the Year
- Arts in Education – Individual
- Arts in Education – Organization
- Arts Patron – Individual
- Arts Patron – Organization
- Leadership in the Arts – Individual
- Leadership in the Arts – Organization
- Governor's Arts Award for Lifetime Achievement

Name of Nominee _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail/Website _____

Name of Nominator _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail/Website _____

How long have you known the nominee? _____

NOTE: If filling out this form electronically, save and rename file when completed.