

ARTS & CULTURAL COUNCIL FOR GREATER ROCHESTER'S 26th ANNUAL ARTS AWARDS N O M I N A T I O N S

Deadline Friday, May 1, 2009

The Arts & Cultural Council for Greater Rochester invites you to nominate an outstanding individual or organization that has made a significant contribution to the greater Rochester cultural community.

About the Arts Awards

The Arts & Cultural Council for Greater Rochester is honored to recognize the individuals, businesses, and organizations that enrich our region through its annual Arts Awards.

The 26th Annual Arts Awards will take place on Thursday, November 19, 2009, at the Hyatt Regency Rochester - Grand Ballroom, from Noon-1:30 p.m. A reception for honorees at 11:15 a.m. will precede the program and lunch.

About the Arts & Cultural Council

The Arts & Cultural Council for Greater Rochester is a nonprofit corporation serving arts and culture in the 10-county greater Rochester region. Our mission is to strengthen and promote the region's creative sector through grant programs, constituent services, and special initiatives; and to act as an advocate, planner, and funder, supporting artistic vitality and cultural diversity throughout the region. For more information about our programs and services, visit www.artsrochester.org.

Award Categories

Nominations may be made in one or more of the following categories:

Artist of the Year

An individual artist who has made a significant contribution to the arts in our community. Artists in any of the following disciplines are eligible: literary, media, visual or performing arts.

Organization of the Year

An organization or institution that has made a profound impact on arts and culture in our community through programming and/or education initiatives.

Champion of the Arts

An individual, business or foundation that has made significant contributions or provided major support for arts and culture through patronage, volunteerism, philanthropy, programming, education, and/or advocacy.



Nomination Criteria

- The nomination process is open to the public. You may submit one or more nominations in each of the three award categories.
- To be eligible, individuals and organizations must be nominated by a third party (i.e. no affiliated staff or board members).
- The nominee must be a full- or part-time resident of the greater Rochester area. This includes the following counties: Cayuga, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, Wyoming, and Yates.
- The nominee must have made a significant, demonstrable contribution to the growth and well being of the greater Rochester cultural community.
- The nominee should be recognized locally, but preference may be given if recognized regionally or nationally.
- Multiple awardees may be selected from a single category or no award may be made within a category at the discretion of the Arts & Cultural Council's Arts Awards Committee.

Anniversary Recognitions

The Arts & Cultural Council will recognize significant anniversaries at the Arts Awards luncheon. Anniversaries, in five-year intervals, of organizations in continuous operation for at least 15 years will be recognized (15, 20, 25 years, etc.).

To have your organization's anniversary recognized at the event, please send the name of organization and years of service to: Tracy Kroft, tkroft@artsrochester.org.

How to Make a Nomination

- Select the category for which you would like the nominee considered.
- Complete the entire nomination form. Additional copies of the form can be downloaded from the Arts & Cultural Council's website, www.artsrochester.org.
- Write a letter of nomination describing the nominee's impact on the community. You may wish to include:
 - Specific contributions and overall achievements in the arts;
 - Ways in which the nominee's efforts benefit the community;
 - Number of years of service to the cultural community in greater Rochester;
 - Constituencies served.
- For individuals, please include a current resume.
- For organizations, please include the name of a contact person and the organization's mission statement and annual report. Briefly describe the organization's current purpose and activities.
- Submit three samples of support materials (support letters, news clippings, samples of work).

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2009 ARTS AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

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I would like to nominate the following individual or organization for:
(please check the appropriate award)

- Artist of the Year Award**
- Organization of the Year Award**
- Champion of the Arts Award**

Nominee's Contact Information:

Name of Individual / Organization

Title / Organization Contact Name

Address

City / State / Zip

Phone

Fax

Email

Web Address

Nominator's Contact Information:

Name

Title

Organization

Address

City / State / Zip

Phone

Fax

Email

Web Address

Send nomination materials to:

Arts & Cultural Council for Greater Rochester
Attention: Arts Awards Committee
277 North Goodman Street
Rochester, NY 14607-1151

For more information, contact:

Tracy Kroft
Director of Communications & Strategic Initiatives
585.473.4000 x210
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tkroft@artsrochester.org

Please confirm that you have included the following:

- Completed nomination form
- Letter of nomination
- For individuals: current resume
- For organizations: mission statement and annual report
- Three samples of supporting materials