



Huron Arts & Heritage Network

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Huron Cultural Awards

Created in 2009, The Huron Cultural Awards raise the profile of our dynamic cultural community and provide local individuals, organizations and businesses within the culture and heritage sector with some well deserved recognition. In 2018, the ninth annual Cultural Awards Gala will be held on April 27, at Blyth Memorial Community Hall. Nominees will be recognized for their contributions in 2017 in one of five categories: Cultural Event/Organization, Individual Artist, Community Contribution, Heritage, and Innovation. The Huron County Cultural Awards are presented by the Huron Arts & Heritage Network (HAHN) and The Cultural Services Department of the County of Huron.

Award Categories and Eligibility Criteria:

- Organizations or individuals must have a significant connection to Huron County, that is, they should live in, work in or have spent a significant portion of their time in Huron County.
- Recognition is for achievements within the 2017 calendar year.
- An individual, business or organization cannot win in more than one category in the same year.

Cultural Event/Organization

Recognizes a cultural organization, event, festival or business (private or not-for-profit) that has made a contribution to the enhancement and vitality of the County's cultural sector.

Individual Artist

Recognizes an individual artist within any arts discipline who through their work has contributed to the reputation of Huron County as a producer of artistic excellence.

Community Contribution

Recognizes a patron, supporter or volunteer who through their efforts and dedication has made a significant impact on the cultural community of Huron County

Heritage Individual/Organization

Recognizes an individual or organization that has made a contribution to either the promotion or preservation of Huron County's unique heritage.

Innovation

Recognizes the contribution of an individual, organization or business that is using or introducing new ideas, technologies or services to promote and advance the arts, culture and heritage stories of Huron County.

Nomination Process:

- A completed Huron Cultural Awards Nomination Form must be completed for each nominee for a submission to be considered eligible.
- Nomination Form must be accompanied by a separate page 8.5" x 11" (one page maximum only please) detailing how and why the nominee has met the criteria for the category for which they are being nominated.
- Nominations may be made by any Huron County resident.
- Nominations must arrive before the deadline for nominations, **April 8, 2018 at 5 PM.**

Selection Process and Presentation:

- Winners will be chosen from eligible nominations through a jury selection process. Winners will be announced at the Huron Cultural Awards Gala at the Blyth Memorial Community Hall on April 27, 2018.
- The winners in each category will be presented with a piece of artwork by a local artist in recognition of their achievement and be profiled on www.creativehuron.ca
- A maximum of three Finalists will be honoured in each category. In the event that more than three nominations are received in a category it will be left to the decision of a specially selected jury to choose the three Finalists to be recognized from all the eligible nominations.
- Finalists in each category will receive a special invitation to the Huron Cultural Awards Gala on April 27 at 7:30 PM.

All Jury Decisions are final

PLEASE READ AWARD AND NOMINATION INFORMATION CAREFULLY TO ENSURE YOUR NOMINATION MEETS ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The Cultural Awards Gala is Friday, April 27 at in the Lower Hall of Blyth Memorial Community Hall 423, Queen Street, Blyth. As well as recognizing the finalists and winners, this special evening also features entertainment by a variety of Huron County artists. There is also a silent auction of unique items at the Awards Gala supporting the activities of Huron Arts & Heritage Network. The event starts at 7:30 PM. Tickets are \$18 each + handling fee and can be purchased through Eventbrite.ca. Ticket price includes selection of appetizers. Cash bar available.

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HURON CULTURAL AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

Award Category (please check only one)

- Cultural Event/Organization
- Individual Artist
- Community Contribution
- Heritage Individual/Organization
- Innovation

Nominee:

*Name: _____

*Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

*Phone: _____

*Email: _____

Website (if applicable): _____

Nominated by:

*Name: _____

*Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

*Phone: _____

*Email: _____

**We must have a phone number or email contact for both the nominee and the nominator*

Nomination Form must be accompanied by a one-page profile of the nominee covering why they are being nominated for 2017 within the chosen category.

Deadline for Nominations is: April 8, 2018 at 5:00 PM

Submit completed Nomination Form along with one-page supporting document

Mail: Huron Arts & Heritage Network
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Email: Rick Sickinger, Cultural Development Officer, County of Huron
rsickinger@huroncounty.ca

In Person: Nominations can be dropped off at any branch of the Huron County Library during regular branch hours.