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Eleventh Annual West Virginia History Hero Award Application



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HISTORY DAY – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2007

**Nominations Must Be Postmarked or Hand Delivered
 To Archives & History Library
 No Later Than 31 December 2006**

***TO: History Hero Award; WV Archives & History
 1900 Kanawha Blvd E, Bldg. 9, Charleston, WV 25305-0300***

State, County and Local historical, genealogical, preservation, patriotic and/or museum organizations are encouraged to nominate their most significant member for a History Hero Award by completing this form and submitting it with supporting documentation. Criteria for the award include dedicated supporting service for the organization's programs, or a recent significant contribution to state and local history through research, interpretation, publication or preservation. Nominations may only be submitted by a historical, genealogical, preservation, museum, patriotic or like organization through its official representative or officer. Nominations must be signed in blue ink by group's officer or designated representative, and postmarked no later than 31 December 2006 or hand delivered to Archives & History Library no later than 31 December. History Hero Awards will be presented during the annual History Day program at The Cultural Center on Thursday, 22 February 2007. All nominations will be reviewed in accordance with the enclosed rules. Each will be considered by sponsoring organizations' representatives. Group making the nomination and all successful nominees will be notified and sent instructions by 2 February 2007. While it is not mandatory, successful nominees are requested to be present to receive their History Hero Award during the program on 22 February. Please comply with the attached list of all rules for submitting nominations.

Name of Nominee: _____ Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Telephone number: _____ E-mail: _____
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1. On back side of this form, in approximately one hundred words, provide details or highlights describing the above individual's significant work and contributions to the preservation and dissemination of our state's history for which he or she is being nominated for a History Hero Award. (Nomination will be rejected for failure to comply. Program bio will be abstracted from this narrative.)
2. List local press and media, including name(s) of reporter(s) if you have worked with them.
3. The names of your NOMINEE'S CURRENT, most recently elected state delegate(s) and senator(s) for the 2007 session MUST be provided on the back of this form.
4. Signature (in blue ink) of authorized officer or representative
 (Contact Person): _____

Name of Organization: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Address of Contact Person: _____
 Phone number: (Day) _____ (Evening) _____ E-mail _____

(Attach or enclose supporting documentation such as examples of individual's work, press or media clips, testimonials, photograph, etc. All applications and submitted supporting material are retained by Archives and History and will not be returned.)

HISTORY HERO CRITERIA

1. The purpose of this award is to give state-level recognition to ONE individual (husband and wife will be considered as one nomination only if they worked as a team on a project) per organization: historical, genealogical, preservation, patriotic, and/or museum per year for his/her dedicated service for the organization's programs or a recent significant contribution to state and local history through research, interpretation, preservation, publication, or web site presentation.
2. Sponsors established the History Hero Award as a one-time only recognition. Previous recipients may be found listed on <http://www.wvculture.org/history/hisher06.html>.
3. State, county and local historical, genealogical, preservation, patriotic and/or museum organizations are encouraged to complete the nomination form and provide supporting documentation to nominate a member who has made a significant contribution within the past year, or for years of dedicated, continued service for a History Hero Award. Nominations may only be submitted by official action of an organization and not by individuals.
4. Nominations are to be based on significant contribution within the year prior to nomination.
5. Those persons holding a public office may not be nominated for activities or service they performed as a part of their public duties.
6. A 100-word description on the verso side of the application form or as a separate paper, which lists and describes the candidate's achievements, MUST be provided. Nomination which exceed this may not be considered by sponsors. The program's biographical sketch will be abstracted from this. Supporting documentation is necessary to assist sponsors in determining eligibility.
7. Supporting documentation as requested in number 6 above WILL NOT BE RETURNED but retained by Archives and History.
8. Submitters will be notified at least one week prior to History Day of the success or failure of their nomination. The submitter WILL INFORM ITS NOMINEE OF THE ACCEPTANCE and ARRANGE TRANSPORTATION to Charleston for him/her. It is preferred that nominees be present to receive their award; however, if that is not possible, arrangements should be made for a pro tem.
9. The only reason for cancellation of History Day is closing of State Government for a reason as ordered by the Governor.
10. Deadline for submission of History Hero nominations is set annually for December 31 for each succeeding year. Nominations will be mailed to:

Archives & History
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