



Governor's Arts Awards Nomination Checklist

NOMINATION LETTER

Address all criteria outlined in nomination guidelines and not exceed two pages.

RESUME

Resume of individual or history of organization or community, which clearly demonstrates arts contributions.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Submit up to 3 letters (1-2 pages each) supporting the nomination. It is recommended that these be from people who are familiar with differing aspects of the nominee's arts involvement. Letters should focus on contributions specifically to the arts in their community.

WORK SAMPLES

For individual artist nominees, upload digital samples of their work. Video, music clips, or YouTube videos should be no longer than 3 minutes each. For non-artist nominees, samples of the individual's or organization's work, including news articles, programs, etc., may be provided. For all nominees, please submit no more than a total of 10 images and/or 10 work samples for review.



**Nominations must be
submitted online no later than
5pm on Friday, Oct. 25, 2024**

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2025 GAA Nomination Form Questions

About the Governor's Arts Awards

Established in 1982, the Governor's Arts Awards recognize excellence in the arts and outstanding service to the arts in Wyoming. The Governor's Arts Awards honor organizations, individual artists, benefactors and contributors, advocates, and/or educators who demonstrate a significant contribution to the arts in Wyoming through long-term dedication and service, and statewide community engagement.

Who Should Be Nominated?

Any Wyoming citizen, organization, business, or community may be a Governor's Arts Award (GAA) nominee. Accomplishments that are noted should reflect substantial contributions made in Wyoming that exemplify a long-term commitment to the arts. Special consideration will be given to nominees whose arts service is statewide.

Previous GAA recipients are not eligible for nomination, but nomination of previously unselected nominees is encouraged. Current Wyoming Arts Council board members, staff members, contractors or members of their families are not eligible for nomination.

Nomination Criteria

There are many nominations submitted for the Governor's Arts Awards each year, and the selection process is competitive. The award determination is based primarily on the award criteria listed below that focuses on the nominee's background, impact, and scope of work. Nominators should take great care to make the case on behalf of their nominees by addressing all applicable criteria in their nomination letters, and should encourage individuals preparing letters of recommendation to do the same. If an application is incomplete it will not be reviewed.

- 1. Background:** Address the nominee's background in the arts, including artistic excellence (for individual artists and arts organizations) or level of standards (for patrons, businesses or communities). How many years has the nominee been committed to the arts in general, or to a specific art form?
- 2. Impact:** What outstanding contribution(s) has the nominee made to the arts in Wyoming? Define the nature and impact of the nominee's involvement.
- 3. Scope:** Describe the breadth of the nominee's support of various arts activities in the community and state. Describe the nominee's involvement in special initiatives supporting the arts.

**Nominations due Friday, October 25, 2024, 5 PM MST.
Late submissions will not be accepted.**