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2008 Chicago Gay and Lesbian Hall of Fame Nomination Form

Mission Statement:

The Chicago Commission on Human Relations' Advisory Council on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Issues, through its Chicago Gay and Lesbian Hall of Fame Committee, is accepting nominations for the 2008 Chicago Gay and Lesbian Hall of Fame.

The Hall of Fame is both a historic event and an exhibit that conveys to the residents of Chicago the many contributions of Chicago's lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) communities to the quality of life in the city.

The Hall of Fame recognizes the professional and voluntary achievements of lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, and transgender people and their community and civic contributions. This is a unique tribute to dedicated individuals and organizations whose services have improved the society in which we all live.

Induction into the Hall of Fame symbolizes that the recipient must have made either (1) a single, far-reaching contribution or (2) significant long-term contributions to the quality of life of Chicago's lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender communities or of the city of Chicago. The Hall of Fame also recognizes "friends of the community" and LGBT organizations (including businesses) that have made significant contributions to Chicago's LGBT communities.

The Chicago Gay and Lesbian Hall of Fame is privately funded through generous donations from individuals, businesses, and organizations. Staff is provided by the Chicago Commission on Human Relations, members of the Advisory Council on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Issues, and volunteers on the Hall of Fame Committee. The selection of the inductees into the Hall of Fame is made by a Selection Sub-Committee, made up of Individual Inductees, who are former recipients of the award. The Hall of Fame induction ceremony is usually held in October in conjunction with Lesbian and Gay History Month.

DEADLINE FOR 2008 NOMINATIONS: JULY 15, 2008

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NOMINATION CRITERIA

2008 Chicago Gay and Lesbian Hall of Fame

The nominee must have made either (1) a single far-reaching contribution or (2) significant long-term contributions to the quality of life of Chicago's lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender communities or of the city of Chicago. Posthumous nominations are encouraged.

NOMINATION CATEGORIES:

1. **Individual** nominees are or have been members of Chicago's LGBT communities. (This category may include two or more individuals who have worked together and are nominated as a unit.)
2. **Organizational** nominees are LGBT organizations (business or nonprofit) that have made significant contributions to Chicago's LGBT communities or to the city of Chicago.
3. **"Friend of the Community"** nominees are non-lesbian, non-gay, non-bisexual, and non-transgender identified individuals and organizations who have made significant contributions to Chicago's LGBT communities.

THE NOMINEE WILL BE JUDGED ON THE BASIS OF ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA, WHICH MUST BE DOCUMENTED IN THE NOMINATION SUPPORTING MATERIALS:

1. His/her/its/their work and/or contribution(s) in one (or more) of the following areas:
 - Advocacy
 - Arts/Literature
 - Business
 - Civic
 - Communications/Media
 - Education
 - Entertainment
 - Government
 - Health
 - Labor
 - Law
 - Medicine
 - Military
 - Religion
 - Science
 - Social Services
 - Sports
2. A unique achievement of far-reaching and historical importance having an impact on Chicago's LGBT communities and/or the city of Chicago.
3. Outstanding service to the LGBT communities.
4. Active participation in groups, organizations, and/or coalitions.
5. Published works or awards.

NOMINATION SUPPORTING MATERIALS

The Hall of Fame is interested in recognizing individuals and groups from under-represented sectors of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender communities. It also encourages applications from individuals who have persevered against cultural and societal norms.

Each nomination **must include**:

1. The attached Nomination Data Cover Sheet.
2. A separate 200- to 300-word narrative describing the nominee's contributions, significant accomplishments, and community activities.
3. An 8" x 10" black-and-white portrait-style photograph.
4. You may also include appropriate supplemental materials.

Please provide **concrete, specific examples** of the nominee's participation and achievements, and how they qualify the nominee for inclusion in the Chicago Gay and Lesbian Hall of Fame. Please be accurate. **It is important that all facts, names, and spellings be accurate in order to enhance the nomination's credibility and to avoid future historical errors.** Nomination materials are reviewed on an individual basis.

Do not assume that the selection committee is familiar with the nominee. **Nomination materials must be received by July 15, 2008.**

Nomination Forms may be reconsidered for up to 3 years without being resubmitted. Nomination materials will not be returned and will be preserved by the Hall of Fame.

SELECTIONS

The honorees will be selected by an ad hoc Selection Sub-Committee of previous Hall of Fame Individual inductees. The newly selected inductees and their nominators will be informed about selection prior to the Induction Ceremony.

NOMINATION DATA COVER SHEET

2008 Chicago Gay and Lesbian Hall of Fame

NAME OF NOMINEE _____
(as it should appear on publicity materials and award)

CONTACT NAME IF NOMINEE IS AN ORGANIZATION _____

ADDRESS _____ APT. OR UNIT # _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP+4 _____ - _____

TELEPHONE (Day) _____ (Evening) _____

FAX _____ E-MAIL _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ PLACE OF BIRTH _____
(optional)

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO _____

TIME PERIOD IN WHICH THE CONTRIBUTION WAS MADE _____

FOR WHAT CATEGORY IS THE CANDIDATE BEING NOMINATED?

INDIVIDUAL ORGANIZATIONAL "FRIEND OF THE COMMUNITY"

NAME OF PERSON/ORGANIZATION SUBMITTING THIS INFORMATION:

NAME _____

CONTACT NAME IF NOMINATOR IS AN ORGANIZATION _____

ADDRESS _____ APT. OR UNIT # _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP+4 _____ - _____

TELEPHONE(Day) _____ (Evening) _____

FAX _____ E-MAIL _____

The preceding information and attached materials are correct to the best of my knowledge. (A nominee signature of approval is required unless the award is to be given posthumously.)

_____/_____/_____
Signature of nominator and date

_____/_____/_____
Signature of nominee and date

Nomination materials must include:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Completed Nomination Data Cover Sheet	<input type="checkbox"/> A separate 200- to 300-word Summary Page
<input type="checkbox"/> 8" x 10" Black-and-White Portrait-Style Photograph	<input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate supplemental materials

PLEASE RETURN NOMINATION MATERIALS BY JULY 15, 2008

Return nomination materials to:

Gay and Lesbian Hall of Fame
Commission on Human Relations
Advisory Council on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Issues
740 North Sedgwick Street, 3rd Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60610-3478
www.glhalloffame.org

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