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Ceremony will be held on March 16, 2017 at the Tower Theatre from 5:30 - 8 p.m.

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# **Nomination Form**

### 2017 WOMEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS Submit nomination form BEFORE FEBRUARY 10

The Women of the Year Awards showcases inspirational stories and extraordinary achievements by honoring and celebrating the outstanding contributions and achievements of women and girls in our community.

These awards honor exceptional women of all ages, of diverse cultures and roles, celebrating the power of individuals to spark change and improve their community and beyond.

Anyone may submit a nomination, including self nominations. All nominees are reviewed by a panel of judges comprised of business owners, Bend Chamber Board members and community dignitaries.

# Select one category:

- Lifetime Achievement Award
- \_\_\_\_ Woman of the Year
- \_\_\_\_ Entrepreneur of the Year
- \_\_\_\_ Young Entrepreneur
- \_\_\_\_ Community Hero
- \_\_\_\_ Young Hero Award

Lifetime Achievement Award – Through the Lifetime Achievement Award, we seek to identify leaders who will teach future generations by example. Lifetime Achievement Award winners have shown longterm active engagement in our community and have made significant positive economic impacts locally. They are successful leaders in their companies, industries and in our community. This award allows us to recognize true pillars in our community.

**Woman of the Year** – This award recognizes women who have excelled in their career, field or passion and/or have made a significant achievement in a traditionally male-dominated arena. The essence of this award is to discover and reward exceptional women for their leadership, mentoring skills and/or ideas that stand out from their colleagues. Judges are looking for women who have made a real difference in their career, field or passion over the past 12 -24 months. Nominees must be at least 18 years of age.

**Entrepreneur of the Year** – Through timely innovation, strategic thinking and smart execution, the recipients of the Entrepreneur of the Year Award have launched and built one or more successful companies with a track record of growth, profitability, industry leadership and breaking new ground. These pre-eminent entrepreneurs possess the drive, managerial acumen and leadership traits that others aspire to have, and have positioned themselves for future achievement. These women are role models for all those who believe in the power of entrepreneurship. Winners of this award have generated an uncommon degree of economic growth and social change. Must be 18 years of age or older.



## TELL US ABOUT WHO YOU'RE ARE NOMINATING:

Name:				
Age:				
Nickname, if any:				
Email:				
Address:				
Phone:				
TELL US ABOUT YOU:				
Name:				
Email:				

Phone:

## NOMINEE'S PERSONAL & PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Why is this nominee deserving of this award? This is your opportunity to tell her story! Use specific examples, explain how the nominee has made a significant difference in her efforts and accomplishments that speak to the award category you are nominating her for. (500 word limit typed)



**Young Entrepreneur** – This award is open to girls between the ages of 14-17 who demonstrate budding entrepreneurship and make a difference in their schools and communities. It is designed to reward the enterprising spirits of young girls.

**Community Hero** – This award acknowledges women who are making outstanding contributions to their community. Community Heroes demonstrate how people with passion and determination can use their lives to make a difference in the community. Nominees must be over 21.

**Young Hero Award –** Through this award, we are celebrating the power of local young ladies' efforts to spark change and improve the world through passion and determination. This award embraces the challenge of tackling the un-met needs of a community through volunteer action. Nominees are considered in two age groups: 14-17 and 18-21.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

Nomination forms must be received by 1:00 PM Friday, February 10, 2017. In addition to the information requested in the nomination form, no more than THREE (3) letters of endorsement may be submitted.

#### Please submit a photograph that is a high resolution image.

If you're unsure if an image is high enough quality, a high resolution image should be at least 1MB when emailed. Photos can be emailed in JPEG or TIFF formats and need to be in color.

The Bend Chamber is proud to partner with The Bulletin's Special Projects to present the Chamber's Women of the Year Awards program guide for 2017 within the pages of the U Magazine, scheduled to publish on February 26.

In an effort to recognize every woman who is nominated for any of the six award categories, the program guide will include a photo and a brief biography or story for each nominee, as presented by the nominator.

Our judging committee is comprised of volunteers who dedicate their time and energy to reviewing all nomination materials and appreciate the nominator's adherence to the instructions

Other supplemental materials – NOT TO EXCEED (5) five pages (not counting this page) may be also submitted.

# Send nominations to

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# **ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES**

Please list civic, professional, business, religious, social, athletic or other organizations in which the nominee has been a member and exercised significant involvement and or/leadership, OR attach a resume or curriculum vitae.

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## FEATURE IN U MAGAZINE

To help ensure that every nominee is included, nominators must include as part of their nomination package, a write-up that captures the nominee's story or biography in 125 words or less. The words should weave together a general sense of who the nominee is and why she is considered a candidate.