



NOMINATION FORM

This packet must be turned in by 3 p.m., March 7, 2018 to Bonnie Vandiver

FILLING OUT THE PDF FORM IS EASY: DOWNLOAD, TYPE IN, SAVE AND EMAIL TO:

nominations@bendchamber.org

For questions please contact Bonnie at: (541) 382-3221 FAX: (541) 385-9929

Bend Chamber office: 777 NW Wall St. Ste., 200 Bend, OR 97703

Award ceremony will be held on April 5, 2018 at the Tower Theatre from 5:30 - 8 p.m.

Tickets available now at www.bendchamber.org



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, and we encourage self-nominations. All nominees are reviewed by a panel of judges comprised of business owners, Bend Chamber board members and community dignitaries.

TELL US ABOUT WHO YOU ARE NOMINATING:

Name:

Age:

Email:

Address:

Phone:

TELL US ABOUT YOU:

Name:

Email:

Phone:

Select ONE award category:

Woman of the Year

Lifetime Achievement

Entrepreneur of the Year

Community Hero

Young Hero (Ages 14-17 & 18-21)

Award Category Descriptions

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 21.

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 long term active engagement in our community and have made significant positive economic impacts locally. They are successful leaders in their companies, industries and true pillars in our community.

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 preeminent 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.

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 life to make a difference in their community.

Young Hero (Ages 14-17 & 18-21) – 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 unmet needs of a community and/or country through volunteer actions and/or innovative ideas to help solve a problem.

Young Hero Scholarship: The Women of the Year Young Hero Scholarship fund helps provide educational financial support to the Young Hero award winner in each age group. The award will provide one scholarship to each Young Hero winner. Thank you to our scholarship fund investors, Express Employment Professionals, Robberson Ford Lincoln Mazda and Bigfoot Beverages.

INSTRUCTIONS

Please follow stated instructions as incomplete applications cannot be considered. Also, keep in mind the judges will be looking for how well your nominee is represented within your application packet.

Nomination forms must be received by 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 7, 2018.

In addition to the information requested in the nomination form, please include at least ONE (1) but no more than THREE (3) letters of endorsement.

Please download the PDF, type all information and email to Bonnie Vandiver at bonnie@bendchamber.org.

- All narrative information must be typed
- Minimum type size is 10 points
- Spacing must be at least 1.5 lines
- Use only one side of paper

Be sure to include any *supplemental materials* that you would like to share about the nominee with the judges, e.g. articles written, awards received, samples of products produced, etc.

BULLETIN SPECIAL PROGRAM GUIDE

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

Please submit a photograph that is a high resolution image (at least 1MB): Photos can be emailed in JPEG or TIFF formats and need to be in color to Bonnie Vandiver at nominations@bendchamber.org. 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 2018 within the pages of the U Magazine, scheduled to publish in April.

JUDGING PROCESS

Our aim is to have a robust and transparent nomination & judging process that provides clarity and confidence to all involved. The judges are highly qualified for their roles and follow a carefully designed process built to ensure all entries receive equal consideration. The judging process is rigorous.

SUBMITTING A NOMINATION

Anyone, both members and non-members, may submit a nomination form, and women and young ladies are encouraged to self-nominate. Each nominee will be contacted to confirm acceptance of the nomination.

All nominees will receive a free ticket and are asked to attend the Women of the Year Awards show on April 5, 2018 at the Tower Theatre. To purchase additional tickets for family and friends, please go to

<http://bendchamber.org/bend-event/2018-women-year-awards>

For more information, please contact Bonnie at nominations@bendchamber.org or 541-382-3221.

Please complete the following pages:

NOMINEE'S PERSONAL & PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

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

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.

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.