



Award of Excellence Nomination Form

NOTE: All nominations must be postmarked by 16 March 2012

The WMA recognizes outstanding achievement in the field of museum work by awarding Awards of Excellence annually at its conference. The award year runs from January through December 2011. To be eligible, the nominee must have exhibited the ability to set standards of leadership through outstanding service, established precedent, fulfilled mission and purpose, showed marked improvement, and provided an extended level of service to the community served. The recipients of the awards will be honored during a special presentation at the 2012 Annual WMA Conference, *The Next 50: Innovation, Inspiration, and Sustained Futures for Museums*, at Seattle Center, in Seattle, Washington, on June 13th - 15th, 2012

Return the original completed form and three copies (four total) of each nomination including additional supporting documentation for each copy to:

WMA Awards Committee, c/o David Freece,
Cowlitz County Historical Museum, 405 Allen Street, Kelso WA 98626
Questions? Call 360-577-3119, or e-mail, freeced@co.cowlitz.wa.us

Please be sure to answer all of the following questions (see reverse side also). You may include additional supporting documentation which you feel will assist the judges in evaluating the nominee. Because the WMA Awards Committee is comprised of four people, **send four complete copies** (one original and three copies, including additional supporting documentation for four judges) for each nomination. Please include one nomination per form. Multiple nominations on one form *may disqualify* the applicant; so copy this form as needed. Supporting documentation will not be returned unless requested in writing and included with a pre-stamped return envelope. **Please print or type clearly.**

One award will be given in each category per annual organizational budget size (if not an organization, then per project budget size):

1. **Organizational Annual Budget Size:** **Less than \$300,000.00** **\$300,000.01 or More**

2. **Category:** (Check One Only)

Exhibit Nomination

Can be a new, temporary, traveling, or permanent exhibit.

Project Nomination

Can be a project concerning education, collections management, public programming, a web site, etc.

Individual Nomination

Provides significant contributions to an institution or to the profession.

Publication Nomination

Can be a poster, newsletter, catalog, exhibit invitation, film, video, etc.

3. **Name of Nominee - Individual, Exhibit, Project, or Publication:**

4. **Address of Nominee:**

Organization:
Street:
City/State/Zip:
Telephone:

FAX:

5. **Dates of Exhibit, Project, Individual's Involvement, or Publication from beginning to end of time period:**

6. **Contact for Exhibit, Project, or Publication nominee:**

If there was a principal person associated with the project, please provide us with name and telephone number.

7. Reference contact for Individual nominee:

Please provide us with the name and telephone number of a person to contact regarding this nominee's contributions to the field. **Although not required, it would be very helpful to the Selection Committee to receive a letter of support of the nomination from the nominee's organization, or a letter of support from a co-worker.**

8. Fully describe the Exhibit, Project, Individual, or Publication nominated:

Discuss the qualifications as an outstanding achievement in the field of museum work, and how he/she/it has made a difference. Explain by exhibiting the nominee's ability to set standards of leadership through outstanding service, establishing precedent, fulfilling mission statement, showing marked improvement, and providing an extended level of service to the community served. Explain the individual's, exhibit's, project's, or publication's significance to the museum field in Washington State. Attach additional pages if necessary.

9. For person completing this nomination: Please supply the information below.

Name:		
Organization:		
Street:		
City/State/Zip:		
Telephone:	FAX:	E-mail: