



Twin Cities Pride

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2012 Pride Grand Marshal Award

This document explains the process that the Board of Directors of Twin Cities Pride, the nonprofit organizer of the annual Twin Cities Pride Celebration, will use in the selection of the 2012 Pride Grand Marshal. It also contains the form and other important information required to make a nomination.

Who should I nominate to be the 2012 Grand Marshal?

The Grand Marshal, as defined by Pride policy, "shall be an individual that has made a considerable positive impact on the Twin Cities' Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender community." Individuals may have made this impact at the local, national or international level, but should have had particular impact on the Twin Cities' GLBT Community. The Grand Marshal is expected to attend the Spring 2012 Grand Marshal's Reception, the Ashley Rukes GLBT Pride Parade, the Pride Festival and other Pride events.

2012 is Twin Cities Pride's 40th Anniversary.

The Grand Marshal is the Ambassador of Twin Cities Pride for the entire Pride Season.

How do I nominate someone to be the 2012 Grand Marshal?

Nominations will be accepted from members of the public, including Pride personnel. The nominating period will begin on Monday, January 2, 2012 and will close at the Board of Directors' first public meeting in February (Monday, February 20, 2012). This meeting will be held at Pride's office, 2021 East Hennepin Avenue, Suite 460, Minneapolis, MN 55413 at 7:00 p.m. The first round of Grand Marshal selection will take place at that meeting.

All nominations for Grand Marshal must include a written submission that details a nominee's contributions to the community and related information. The submission may be in person at the Pride Board of Directors meeting, via postal mail, or via electronic mail. Submissions do not require this form as long as all requested information is provided. Email submissions should be sent to info@tcpride.org. The Awards Committee Chair is responsible for receiving and maintaining all nominations received.

If being sent via postal mail, nominations should be sent to:

Twin Cities Pride
Attention: Grand Marshal Nominations
2021 East Hennepin Ave, Suite 460
Minneapolis, MN 55413

Nominations postmarked after February 20, 2012 will be disregarded.

Nominators will be provided an opportunity to address the Board of Directors for up to five minutes in order to make a case for their nominee during the February 20, 2012 Board meeting.

How will the 2012 Grand Marshal be selected?

After presentations by the nominators or their representatives at the February 20, 2012 Board meeting, each nominee must be confirmed by a majority vote of the Board of Directors in order to be further considered as a candidate to be Grand Marshal.

The Awards Committee of the Board of Directors will then create a candidate profile, which will be presented to the Board of Directors prior to its March meeting (Monday, March 19, 2012). This meeting will be held at Pride's office, 2021 East Hennepin Avenue, Suite 460, Minneapolis, MN 55413 at 7:00 p.m. The selection of the Grand Marshal and Community Achievement Awards recipients will take place at the March 19, 2012 Board meeting.

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Upon the review of nominees at the March 19, 2012 Board meeting, the assembled officers, directors and agents of the Board of Directors will then vote on the nominees to perform the final selection.

Each voter will rank the nominees in their order of preference. The numerical weight of the rankings submitted will then be totaled. The nominee with the lowest total score (the most #1 rankings) is selected as the Grand Marshal. In cases of a tie, a run-off selection process, using the above-mentioned ranking system, will be performed until the tie is resolved.

What information must I provide to nominate someone to be the 2012 Grand Marshal?

Please provide the requested contact information about yourself and your nominee. This will make it easier for us to contact you or your nominee should it become necessary.

On a separate sheet of paper, state your reasons for putting forth your nominee as a candidate for 2012 Grand Marshal. Please review the bullet points below and ensure your nomination includes the requested information. You may attach supplemental information (newspaper articles, documents, etc.) that you feel support your nomination. Please note that because of the number of nominations received, it is best to concisely and thoroughly state a compelling case for your nominee.

The awards committee is looking for the following information:

- Has the nominee been Twin Cities Pride's Grand Marshal in the past?
- How long has the nominee been active in the GLBT Community?
- What specifically has the nominee done in the Community to merit recognition?
- What specific accomplishments resulted from the nominee's work?

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Please type or clearly print your information.

All materials submitted will become the property of Twin Cities Pride and will not be returned.

I hereby certify that the information presented in this nomination is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Nominator Signature _____
Date of Nomination _____

Required Contact Information

Nominator Contact Information	
Name	
Mailing Address	
Street Address	
City	
State	
ZIP Code	
Daytime Phone Number	
Email Address	
Evening Phone Number	
Fax Number	

Grand Marshal Nominee Contact Information	
Name	
Mailing Address	
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