# Reverend John C. Holland Awards 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

# Nomination Form



# Nomination Category (Please check-mark one)

☐ Arts ☐ Business/Professional ☐ C	ommunity Service □ LGTBQ2SQ Youth □ Youth Achievement □ Sport
Nominee's Name (in full)	
Complete Address	Postal Code
Telephone No	E mail
Company/Organization (if applicable)	
Address (in full)	
Telephone No.	E mail
Nominated by	
Organization or Contact person	
Address	
Telephone No	E mail
Declaration:	
I the undersigned have sought and re C. Holland Awards.	ceived the permission of the nominee for the Annual Reverend Johr
	Signature of the Nominator

# Please enclose the following:

- 1. The nominator must provide a description of the nominee's background, career and present activities of the work of the nominee. *Including a current abbreviated resume or biography, not exceeding three pages.*
- 2. Describe his/her contribution in the category for which he/she is being nominated (Not more than 300 words).
- 3. Three letters of support from individuals and/or organization whose views validate the information provided by the nominator(s).

# Nomination deadline Friday, December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016

The Reverend John C. Holland Awards c/o The Black History Committee
Send submissions to

 $\underline{info@JohnHollandAwards.com} \qquad CC: Johnhollandawards@gmail.com$ 

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# Awards will be presented in the following categories:

# Arts/Arts Industry/ Entertainment Award: In Memory of Jackie Washington

Nominees should have a history of outstanding achievement in one or more of the following areas:

- Outstanding practitioner in the performing Arts (including music, dance, theatre, and multi-disciplinary groups); Visual and Media Arts; Literature and Publishing; Film, Video and Television;
- Demonstrate solid commitment to the arts and cultural industries through arts planning and promotion over a period of time.

Audre Lorde Scholarship for Black LGTBQ2SQ Youth: Presented by Ruth Cameron and Datejie Green

## **Award Amount**

\$1000.00

#### **Number of Awards**

One

# **Application Requirements**

The Audre Lorde Scholarship is open to individuals who meet **ALL** of the following criteria:

Attendance a post-secondary educational institution in the Province of Ontario in the year of the award

- 1. Demonstration of financial need
- 2. Pursuing a first post-secondary program of study (college, university or other accredited training program)
- 3. Resident of Hamilton, Ontario
- 4. Identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, transsexual, two-spirit, intersex and/or queer (LGBTTI2SQ).
- 5. Demonstrated contribution to positive change in your community, school, cultural group or neighbourhood.
- 6. 29 years old or less at time of application.

# **Before You Apply**

Please prepare and include all of the following documents in order for your application to be received as complete.

# Personal Statement - 250 words

The personal statement should answer the question:

# Why should I be awarded the Audre Lorde Scholarship for Black LGBTQ Youth?

You may wish to consider how your studies or future work will contribute to the improvement of the LGBTTI2SQ community and/or other forms of social justice. You may also provide us with any other information you feel we should know about you that relates to your candidacy, such as experiences of discrimination, living situation, geographic context, children, family, relationships, disabilities or other circumstances.

# **Institutional Documents**

- 1. A copy of your OSAP estimate (if applicable)
- Proof of registration / acceptance from the post-secondary education or training institution. Acceptable proof
  includes a copy of the confirmation of your offer of admission or acceptance, proof of program registration or
  proof of tuition payment. If you are selected as a recipient, you must provide proof active enrolment in your
  program before payment is issued.

# **Nomination Letter**

We will accept nomination letters from a guidance counsellor, coach, employer, community or social worker, doctor, religious leader or similar professional. The letter should indicate how long the writer has known you, and in what context. They should explain why you would be a good candidate for the Award.

# **Submission**

Submissions are accepted by email. If needed, a postal address for print submissions can also be provided. For email applications, the required documents may be attached in .pdf, .doc or .txt format.

# Privacy

We recognize that coming out as a member of the LGBTTI2SQ community is a personal decision which should be respected by others. We support both LGBTTI2SQ community members who openly identify and those who do not openly identify.

If you wish for your application and any awarded scholarship to be treated as confidential, please clearly indicate this in your application. We will then only disclose your application and any awarded scholarship only to your nominee(s) and those selecting the successful applicant. Further, we will only communicate with you by way of your preferred mailing address or email address.

## Deadline

The submission deadline is December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

#### Questions

Please direct all questions or feedback to blacklgbtqyouthhamilton@gmail.com.

# **Business/Professional Achievement**

The successful candidate(s) must currently be involved in the business sector as an entrepreneur/contributor or demonstrate excellence in a profession. Criteria to be considered will include:

- Significant contribution to the business community through a record of outstanding achievement.
- Evidence of on-going leadership to the profession/business.
- Creates employment opportunities, contribution of new ideas, processes and practices that has added to the general body of knowledge in the nominee's field and serves as a framework for other practitioners.
- · Broader significance of nominee's contribution to the community.

# **Community Service**

The successful candidate must have a record of voluntary involvement and service that they have contributed to the development and advancement of the Black community. Criteria to be considered will include:

- Significant role and impact in enriching the lives of individuals and groups, over a period of time.
- Demonstration of commitment and dedication through voluntary service.
- Exceptional volunteer service as recognized by community organizations and services.

# Sport Achievement: In Honour of the late Raymond G. Lewis O.C.

The successful candidate(s) must demonstrate significant contribution to the field of sport through personal athletic achievement or through the development of promotion of sports activities in the community. Criteria to be considered include:

- Evidence of leadership, discipline and dedication through performance, development or promotion of sport activities.
- Broader impact of nominee's contribution to the athletic community.

## **Youth Achievement**

The successful youth (16-24 years of age - must be pursuing post secondary studies to be eligible) must demonstrate involvement in activities that enhance the nominee's growth and development. This award is presented as a scholarship for furthering the recipient's studies in a post secondary or trade institution. Criteria to be considered will include

- Record of activities and achievements.
- Evidence of discipline, leadership and commitment (ambassador for youth in a wide arena and a positive role model).
- Demonstrates a keen sense of self and can articulate the nominee's desired goals.
- Demonstrates a keen interest in the rich culture/heritage of the African Canadian community.
- The nominee must provide a personal statement of no more than 350 words that demonstrates a keen sense of self and outlines their desired goals for the future.
- Students returning to High School are ineligible.
- Recipient must be a landed immigrant, Conventional Refugee or Canadian citizen.