

THE ONTARIO FRANCOPHONIE AWARDS 2008

The Government of Ontario created in 2006 the **Ontario Francophonie Awards**, a special recognition program to honour those citizens who, through their conviction, determination and generosity, have made progress possible and played a key role in fostering a stronger Francophone community in Ontario.

Presented for the first time in November 2006, the **Ontario Francophonie Awards** honour Francophones and those who are not Francophones but promote the French language and culture (Francophiles), who have recently made an outstanding contribution to the political, social, economic and cultural vitality and well-being of Ontario's Francophone community.

Who is eligible? Who is not eligible?

Nominees must be residents or former residents of Ontario who have, within the last few years, carried out initiatives that have benefited the Francophone community. No elected federal, provincial or municipal representative may be nominated while the person remains in office. Government employees are eligible to be nominated only for achievements outside of their normal public service related functions.

How will recipients be selected?

An independent selection committee, appointed by the Minister Responsible for Francophone Affairs, will consider all nominations and select the recipients.

When will the next awards be presented?

The awards will be presented at a special ceremony hosted by the Government of Ontario in March 2008, during International Francophonie Week (Semaine internationale de la francophonie).

When is the deadline for nominations?

Any person or organization can nominate an individual Francophone or Francophile by completing the following nomination form and sending it, with supporting documents, to the address below no later than

December 14, 2007.

Additional information and nomination forms may be obtained by contacting Charles Jean Sucsan, Senior Manager, Strategic Communications at the Office of Francophone Affairs at 416 325-4968 or charlesjean.sucsan@ontario.ca, or on the Office of Francophone Affairs' website at www.ofa.gov.on.ca.

The following documents must be included with your submission, before the nomination will be accepted:

1. A description of the nominee's contributions to the Francophone community of Ontario or to the French language and culture.
 - a. Briefly describe the contributions (150 – 250 words).
 - b. Describe their impact on the Francophone community or on the French language and culture.
 - c. Describe how long you have known the nominee.
 - d. Describe when the contributions took place.
2. At least 2 additional testimonial letters from individuals who can attest to the value of the nominee's contributions and their impact on the Francophone community of Ontario or on the French language and culture.
3. (Optional) Additional material may be included to support this nomination, such as publications, media stories, etc.

Please list and label all materials enclosed to support this nomination. Do not send videos or audio tapes. Do not send originals of important or official documents as they will not be returned. Submit all materials, unbound and in 8-1/2" X 11" format.

Please send the completed nomination form and supporting materials to:

Charles Jean Sucsan, Senior Manager, Strategic Communications, Office of Francophone Affairs
777 Bay Street, 6th Floor, Toronto ON M7A 2J4, Tel.: 416 325-4968 • Fax: 416 325-4980

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NOMINATION FORM

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E-mail: charlesjean.sucsan@ontario.ca*

Name of Francophone or Francophile being nominated:

The Nominee is a Francophone Francophile* Mr. Mrs. Ms. Other _____

First Name

Last Name

Residential Street Address

City/Town

Province

Postal Code

Residential Telephone

Fax

Alternative Telephone (business or cell)

E-mail

**A Francophile is a person who, while not Francophone, embraces linguistic duality and promotes the French language and culture.*

Nominator's Information

Mr. Mrs. Ms. Other _____

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Signature

Date