



Cultural Leaders Legacy Artist Awards 2021  
**NOMINATION PACKAGE**  
**MAMDANI ARTS LEADERSHIP AWARD**  
**Deadline:** Friday, January 15, 2021, 4:30pm

The **Mamdani Arts Leadership Award** is a \$5,000 cash award to recognize and reward the integral role of board members who lend their expertise, talent and time to supporting the work of arts organizations and festivals that make Calgary a vibrant and creative city. This award honours an arts volunteer board member who goes above and beyond to support the logistics, programming, operations and/or culture of the organization(s) they choose to support.

The award will be presented to the recipient as part of the Mayor's Lunch for Arts Champions event in March 2021. This award was established by Strategic Group as well as Calgary 2012 and is a legacy project of Calgary's year as a Cultural Capital of Canada.

### **About Strategic Group**

Strategic Group owns and develops office, retail, and apartment properties across Canada. Based in Calgary, Strategic Group has proudly sponsored the Mamdani Arts Leadership Award for three years. The award is named after the Mamdani family—champions of Calgary's arts and culture sector.

### **Award Rules & Criteria**

#### **1. Eligibility**

Nominees for the Mamdani Arts Leadership Award must meet all the following criteria:

- Be a Calgary resident volunteering in Calgary since the beginning of the nomination year (2020).
- Must have volunteered a minimum of 40 hours on the board of one or more arts organizations in the nomination year (2020).

#### **2. Nominations**

Nomination packages must include the following:

- One (1) copy of the nomination form available at the end of this document, signed by both the nominee and the nominator.
- One (1) copy of a 30-word synopsis of why the nominee has been nominated (may be used for publication and media purposes in the event the nominee is selected to receive the award).
- One (1) copy of a detailed letter of nomination (1,000 words or less).

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- Up to five (5) pieces\* of support material demonstrating the work of the nominee as it pertains to this award. Please note these materials must be submitted in the following file formats, and each file can be a maximum of 3MB: JPEG, PDF, DOC, DOCX, MP3, YouTube or Vimeo link.

\* Please note that a piece of support material is equal to one piece of the nominee's work, not one digital file. One file containing five different images or examples of the nominees' work will be considered as five pieces of support material, not one.

### **3. Jury**

The awards jury will be composed of peers and community members based in Calgary. Jury members are not disclosed in advance of the Mayor's Lunch.

In the event of a perceived conflict of interest, an alternate will replace the jury member in question. The jury will operate with strict confidentiality. All decisions are final. Calgary Arts Development may screen nominations to verify eligibility.

### **4. Selection Criteria**

The award recipient will be selected based on the following criteria:

*Impact on the Organization – maximum of four points*

- How has the nominee made a measurable impact on the organization they volunteer for?
- How has the nominee's expertise, enthusiasm and dedication positively changed the culture and/or operations of the organization they volunteer for?

*Peer Recognition - maximum of three points*

- Is the nominee recognized by their peers in the organization as an outstanding volunteer who goes above and beyond?

*Time Dedicated - maximum of two points*

- How much time has the nominee volunteered and how has the nominee proven their dedication to continue volunteering within the arts community?

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*Special Considerations - maximum of two points*

- Are there any extenuating considerations that are not addressed by the criteria above?

## **5. Notification**

All nominators and nominees will receive acknowledgement of receipt by mail and email and will be notified of whether their applications were successful in advance of the Mayor's Lunch for Arts Champions. The recipient will be asked to keep the status of their nomination confidential until the event, and will also be asked to accommodate the filming of a recipient video.

## **6. Deadlines and Delivery**

The deadline for uploading of complete nomination packages is **4:30pm on January 15, 2021**. Complete applications must be submitted online through [calgaryartsdevelopment.com](http://calgaryartsdevelopment.com) on or before the deadline. Incomplete or late nominations will not be accepted or considered.

If you have nominated someone and did not receive acknowledgement of receipt of notification, please contact Kaley Beisiegel at [kaley.beisiegel@calgaryartsdevelopment.com](mailto:kaley.beisiegel@calgaryartsdevelopment.com).

### **Before submitting your nomination package, ensure that you have prepared:**

- One (1) copy of the nomination form, signed by both the nominee and nominator.
- One (1) copy of a letter of nomination (1,000 words or less) signed by the nominator.
- One (1) copy of a 30-word synopsis of why the nominee has been nominated.
- Up to five (5) pieces\* of support material demonstrating the work of the nominee and their suitability for this award.

\*Please note that a piece of support material is equal to one piece of the nominee's work, not one digital file. One file containing five different images of an artist's work will be considered as five pieces of support material, not one.

For more information about the Mamdani Arts Leadership Award, email [awards@mayorsslunch.com](mailto:awards@mayorsslunch.com).

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## NOMINATOR

Name:

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Phone:

Email:

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Mailing Address:

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I Nominate:

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Signature:

Date:

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Printed Name:

Title:

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## NOMINATED VOLUNTEER

Name:

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Phone:

Email:

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Mailing Address:

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*I agree to be nominated for the above award and understand that, if successful, I will be available to film a recipient video, attend the Mayor's Lunch for Arts Champions, and be available for media interviews/photographs following the event. I agree to allow Calgary Arts Development and Strategic Group the use of photos/video taken before and at the event for promotional purposes.*

Signature:

Date:

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Printed Name:

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