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April 21, 2016

Dear LPRAC Friends:

The Connecticut General Assembly's Latino and Puerto Rican Affairs Commission is accepting nominations from the community for Latina, Latino and Community Service awards selections for 2016. The Scholarship Fundraising and Community Leaders Celebration is scheduled for Saturday, September 24, 2016 at Amarante's Sea Cliff located at 62 Cove Street in New Haven, CT.

The nomination form and related exclusions are attached for your review and use. The deadline for submission of all nominations is Friday, June 24, 2016. This deadline will not be extended.

Thank you for your support of the Commission's programs and feel free to contact us at 860-240-8330 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Cruz

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Enclosures

cc: Special Projects Committee Members



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Criteria

Latino/a Citizen of the Year and Community Service Award

The Latina Citizen of the Year Award

Individuals must:

- Have demonstrated dedication, leadership and commitment to the advancement, promotion and development of the cultural, social, economic and political welfare of the Latino community in Connecticut;
- Be at least 25 years of age;
- Be a resident of Connecticut; and,
- Be Latina/Latino or a non-Latina/o providing significant contributions to the Latino community.

The Latino Citizen of the Year Award

Individuals must:

- Have demonstrated dedication, leadership and commitment to the advancement, promotion and development of the cultural, social, economic and political welfare of the Latino community in Connecticut;
- Be at least 25 years of age;
- Be a resident of Connecticut; and,
- Be Latina/Latino or a non-Latina/o providing significant contributions to the Latino community.

The Community Service Award (Organizations Only)

Organization must:

- Have demonstrated dedication, leadership and commitment to the Latino community it serves;
- Have Latinos as its primary target population for its services and/or specific project;
- Have a significant representation of Latinos in its staff and Board of Directors; and,
- Serve Latinos in Connecticut.

Deadline for submitting nominations: *Friday, June 24, 2016*

IMPORTANT: Nominations must be received by the DUE date. Late submissions will NOT BE accepted. Incomplete submissions will NOT BE accepted.

Nomination Form

PLEASE NOTE: All information on the nomination form must be filled out. All materials required with the form must be included and, most importantly, you must sign the nomination form. Your compliance with this request is most appreciated. Thank you.

Please provide information about your nominee. (This form may be duplicated as needed.) If you nominate, you cannot provide a letter of support.

Category: *Latino/a Citizen _____ **Community Service _____

Name: _____

Agency: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Phone: Day () _____ Evening () _____

Instructions:

Please describe in detail, why this individual or organization should receive the award. Be sure to address how, you believe, this person meets the criteria previously outlined. (Attach additional pages as needed.)

Important Note: All nominations must be accompanied by two letters of support in order to be considered.

*Individual nominations

**Businesses, agencies, organizations

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Nomination Form

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Please provide information about yourself:

Name: _____

Agency: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Phone: Day () _____ Evening () _____

Signature of Person Making the Nomination

Today's Date

Please check:

- I have included two letters of support for each nomination made. *
- You may contact me for additional information.

*If you nominate, you cannot provide a letter of support. They must come from two individuals other than yourself.

Deadline: Friday, June 24, 2016

Please send completed form with two letters of support to:

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If you have any questions, please call me at 860-240-8330.

Thank you for taking the time to celebrate the accomplishments of the members of the Latino and Puerto Rican community in Connecticut.

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Please read the back of the nomination form for exclusions for both categories of award.

1. Are you a family member or household member of a Commissioner or Staff member of the Latino and Puerto Rican Affairs Commission?
Yes No (circle 1 answer)

2. Do you work for the State of CT? Yes No (circle 1 answer)
If so, please state the department name and your Supervisor.

3. Does any member of your family or household work for the State of CT? Yes No
If so, please state the department name and supervisor.

4. Are you a Public Official? Yes No (circle 1 answer)
If so, please state your title and department name.

5. Is a member of your family or household a Public Official? Yes No
(circle 1 answer)
If so, please state the name, title, and department name of the Public Official.

Note: Please refer to DEFINITIONS to help you answer the above questions.

I hereby state that the answers contained in this statement are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

LATINO/LATINA CITIZEN OF THE YEAR ELIGIBILITY EXCLUSIONS

LPRAC Commissioners and LPRAC Staff are not eligible for Latino/Latina Citizen of the Year and may not nominate or provide letters of support for nominees whose names are submitted for consideration.

Family* and/or household members** of LPRAC Commissioners and LPRAC staff are not eligible for this award and may not nominate or provide letters of support for nominees whose names are submitted for consideration.

Public Officials*** and/or their family and/or household members are not eligible for the Latino/Latina Citizen of the Year Award and may not nominate or provide letters of support for nominees whose names are submitted for consideration.

No state employee who reports directly to such public official shall be eligible for this award and may not provide letters of support for nominees whose names are submitted for consideration. No family and/or household member of any state employee who reports directly to a public official shall be eligible for this award and may not provide letters of support for nominees whose names are submitted for consideration.

Any individual who is employed by or works for the Connecticut General Assembly and/or any Commission of the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut is not eligible for this award and may not provide letters of support for nominees whose names are submitted for consideration. Family and/or household members of any individual employed by or who works for the Connecticut General Assembly and/or any Commission of the Connecticut General Assembly are not eligible for this award and may not provide letters of support for nominees whose names are submitted for consideration.

DEFINITIONS

***Family members:** Includes spouse, parents, children, siblings, half-siblings, step-siblings, grandparents, mother-in-law-, father-in-law, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, cousins, grand-children, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, adopted members, half members, step members, foster children.

****Household members:** Includes family and non-family households. Two or more cohabiting individuals who are related by birth, marriage, civil union, or adoption, and other unrelated people residing in a housing unit. Includes cohabiting and/or unmarried people who share their residence with unrelated or related individuals.

***** Public Official:** Includes federal or state appointed or elected officials, including elected or appointed officials at the executive, legislative, or judicial branches of the State of Connecticut, any state-wide elected officer, any member or member-elect of the General Assembly, any person appointed to any office of the legislative, judicial or executive branch of state government by the Governor or an appointee of the Governor, any public member or representative of the teachers' unions or state employees' unions appointed to the Investment Advisory Council, appointed or elected by the General Assembly or by any member of either house, any member or director of a quasi-public agency and the spouse of the Governor. At the Municipal level a public official is a Mayor, First Selectman, First Selectwoman, or Town Manager.

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