

Cultural Harmony Awards

Nomination Guidelines

Nominees must live or work in the city of Vancouver. Nominees are also eligible if they reached an achievement or provided a service or benefit within the city of Vancouver.

All nominees must consent in writing to the nomination. The achievement, service or benefit does not have to be accomplished in the year previous to the award date.

Self-nominations will not be accepted. Nominators may submit only one candidate per year and cannot be related to this candidate. Current members of Vancouver City Council and City of Vancouver staff are not eligible for nomination nor can they nominate an individual or an organization.

The deadline for receiving nominations is Friday, September 23, 2011.

The awards will be adjudicated by an independent panel of jury members. The jury's decisions are final and are based solely on the information requested and submitted in the nomination package. No other material will be considered. Submitted documents will not be returned. Only complete packages will be forwarded for judging.

The jury reserves the right to withhold an award in any particular year. Nominees are eligible for re-nomination in subsequent years; however, an updated application must be submitted.

Completed nomination packages must include:

- A typed description (*500 words or less*) of the nominee's significant achievement, service or benefit in the category selected, and a description of the nature and impact of the activities (*including a clear distinction between paid and unpaid/voluntary activities*).
- A typed one-page biography of the person nominated, or a short profile of the organization.
- Two additional letters of support for the nomination.
- A completed nomination form included with the Cultural Harmony Award brochure.

All submissions should be on 8 1/2" x 11" paper, single-sided, without staples, binders or folders.

Mail or deliver nomination packages to:

Vancouver City Hall
Equal Employment Opportunity Program
453 West 12th Avenue, Vancouver, BC V5Y 1V4

For more information:

Telephone: 604.873.7786

TTY: 711

E-mail: eeo@vancouver.ca

Website: vancouver.ca/multiculturalism



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The City of Vancouver believes that diversity is a source of strength, vitality and prosperity.

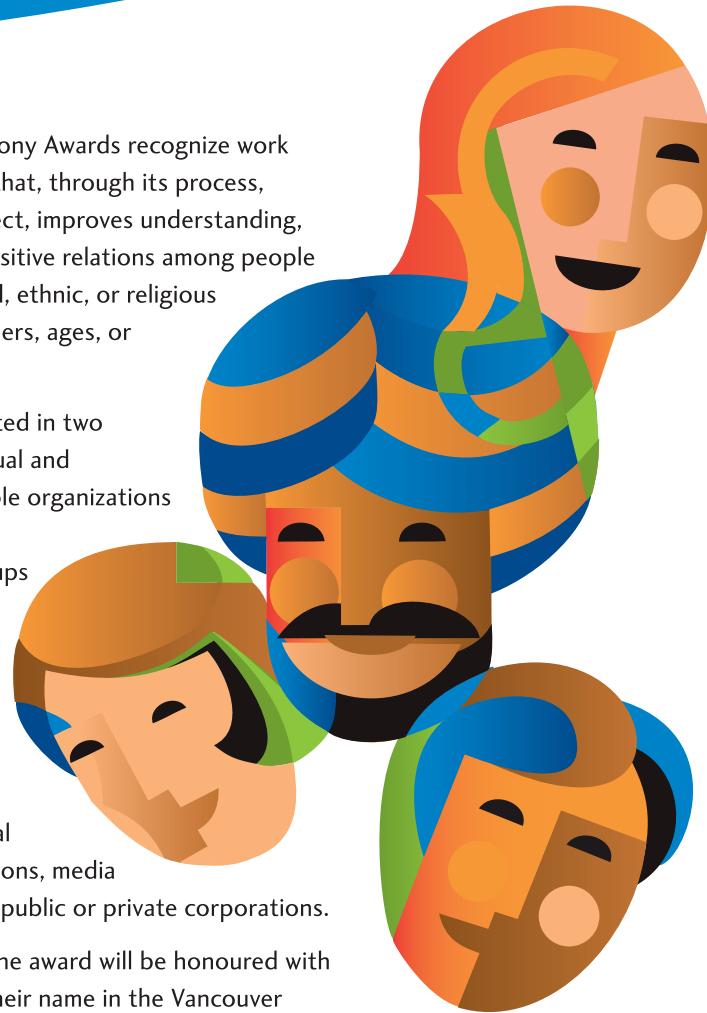
In 1996, it established the Cultural Harmony Awards to recognize individuals and organizations that display a significant and sustained commitment to the promotion of cultural harmony in Vancouver.

The Awards

The Cultural Harmony Awards recognize work in the community that, through its process, subject and/or effect, improves understanding, acceptance and positive relations among people of different cultural, ethnic, or religious backgrounds, genders, ages, or economic classes.

Awards are presented in two categories: individual and organization. Eligible organizations include non-profit organizations, groups or service clubs, educational institutions, hospitals, government departments, unions, professional and trade associations, media organizations, and public or private corporations.

The recipients of the award will be honoured with a tree planted in their name in the Vancouver Park Board Cultural Harmony Grove, located east of the Burrard Marina.



Selection Criteria

Selection will be made by an independent panel of jury members based on the following criteria:

SCOPE: the range of activities and breadth of influence or inspiration the achievement has on people, organizations or the community.

ACHIEVEMENT: the significance of the achievement itself. Consideration will be given to creativity, innovation, and the general significance of the activity for individuals and/or the community.

IMPACT: the potential for fundamental and lasting positive change for individuals, organizations, and the community.

METHOD: the manner in which the activities were performed, for example through creativity, or the use of innovation, consultation and collaboration.