

# Women of Distinction Awards Nomination Form

## Example Copy for Review

Do you know an outstanding woman in your community who deserves recognition? In addition to honoring the woman you nominate for the **YWCA Regina Women of Distinction Awards**, you help bring positive attention to her work, business or field of interest. You will also be supporting YWCA Regina by helping break down barriers for women and girls, promote safety and security, empower children and youth, and speak out for women and their families.

### I. Nominator Information

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| <b>Nominator Name</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| <b>Nominator Preferred Pronouns</b> <input type="checkbox"/> She/Her <input type="checkbox"/> He/Him <input type="checkbox"/> They/Their <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please specify):<br><a href="#">Why Do We Ask This?</a> |
| <b>Nominator Email</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| <b>Nominator Phone Number</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| <b>Nominator Mailing Address</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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### NOMINATOR'S DECLARATION

By completing this form, you consent to be contacted by the YWCA Regina regarding this application. Use of your personal information will be strictly limited to the purpose you have consented to as outlined above. You may withdraw your consent by giving YWCA Regina written notice at any time.

**CONSENT TO BE NOMINATED:** I consent that the following nominee for a Women of Distinction Award, has agreed to this nomination, and has agreed to participate in **ALL** events (finalist filming, headshots, Finalist Reception and Awards Celebration) and in the promotion of the 2024 Women of Distinction Celebration. The YWCA Regina will contact the nominee as required.

**VALUES ALIGNMENT DECLARATION:** I hereby declare that the nominee's participation in employment, recreation or special interests does not contradict the purpose, aspiration, and values of YWCA Regina. I understand that if they become unaligned with the vision, mission and values of YWCA Regina at any time during the Women of Distinction Awards season they will be removed as a nominee and/or finalist.

I hereby declare that the information contained in this nomination is true to the best of my knowledge.

Please add my email to the YWCA Regina Newsletter list.

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| <b>Nominators Initials</b> |  |
| <b>Date Signed</b>         |  |

## II. Category Selection

*Only one category may be chosen:*

### Action & Advocacy

This award will honour a woman or group of women who are leading social action, volunteering and humanitarianism in the community. She dedicates her career, time, or personal interests toward lending a hand to organizations and causes in the community. She has made a significant and sustained difference in Southern Saskatchewan while leveraging passion, position, and desire to enact change through inspiring, educating, and creating action toward the causes she cares about. She motivates others to use their voice, take action and make change in the community.

### Women in Non-Traditional Roles

This award will honour a woman or group of women who are breaking ground and displaying leadership in a role that is considered non-traditional. Non-traditional is defined as any occupation in which women make up 25% or less of the total workforce. She has made a significant and sustained difference in the Southern Saskatchewan area. She works to create opportunities for women in her chosen industry or field, uplifting them to succeed in these non-traditional roles. She may work in the fields of science, technology, engineering, agriculture, farming, trades and construction or any other non-traditional industry.

### Innovator

This award honours a woman whose achievements in the corporate sector or as a business owner show her commitment to excellence in the business world. She may be a founder, owner, leader or other innovator, creating or implementing programs, practices, policies or activities in her chosen field. She embraces new, original ideas and pursues creative ways of making a difference in business. She has a proven track record of innovation, sustainability, and profitability in her field, leveraging her success to advocate for and to elevate other women in business. She has demonstrated leadership within her company or among her employees, facilitating change and opportunities whenever possible.

### Indigenous Resurgence in Action

This award will honour a woman or group of women who are answering the call for Indigenous cultural resurgence and reconciliation. She has made a significant and sustained difference in Southern Treaty 4 area of Saskatchewan through her commitment to reestablishing cultural practices which may include language revitalization, ceremonial teachings and programming, along with advocacy on Treaty and Inherent rights recognition, reconciliation actions in community conversation, relationship building and making a difference. She may be part of a group or working independently to advocate and find a new way forward. She inspires, motivates, and leads by action to create the change she wants to see.

### Igniting Equity

This award will honour a woman who has made significant and sustained difference in marginalized groups within her the community. She is a voice for change and igniting equity. She has challenged systems that oppress women, racialized groups or gender and sexual diverse persons or those suffering from homelessness and mental health issues. She may work with and lead different services within her community or has created programs to help uplift and empower these marginalized groups. She has broken down barriers through her professional and/or personal endeavours, leading by example for the work she does every day.

### Community Champion

This award will honour a woman or group of women who inspire a passion for learning and development in those around her. She has made a significant and sustained difference in the Southern Saskatchewan area. She contributes through practice, research or administration in a learning environment including the education system, employee training and development, community education and/or alternative programs. She shares her skills, her passion and mentors others in her area of learning. She motivates others to gain knowledge, set goals or seek opportunities. She may be an academic, educator, administrator, volunteer her time or be another champion of learning.

### Young Woman of Distinction

This award will honour a young woman or group of women between the ages of 14 to 25 in the Southern Saskatchewan area who have made a significant and sustained difference in her chosen field of work, education, or volunteering. She demonstrates leadership, maturity and compassion. She has made a significant difference through her commitment to a cause or pursuit of a personal dream while showing perseverance, innovation and a keen understanding of community issues.

### III. Nominee Contact Information

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| <b>Nominee Name</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| <b>Nominee Preferred Pronouns</b> <input type="checkbox"/> She/Her <input type="checkbox"/> He/Him <input type="checkbox"/> They/Their <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): <a href="#">Why Do We Ask This?</a> |
| <b>Nominee Email</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| <b>Nominee Phone Number</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| <b>Nominee Mailing Address</b>                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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### IV. About the Nominee

Please complete the following questions. Please be specific and use bullet point form.

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| <p><b>1. List three or more examples of your nominee's unique outstanding achievements in the chosen category.</b></p> |
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| <b>2. List three or more examples of how your nominee has demonstrated vision, creativity and initiative for the chosen category.</b>                                                                                                                                       |
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| <b>3. Why do <i>you</i> think your nominee should receive this award? Please share a personal story that best illustrates why you would like them to be recognized. Please note that this story may be shared publicly. (up to 200 words)</b>                               |
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| <b>4. Please provide a brief biography of the nominee including the most important facts and accomplishments from their life. This information will be incorporated into information prepared for the Celebration program and other awards materials. (up to 200 words)</b> |



5. Please provide 1 to 2 letters of reference in support of your nominee. **These letters must be provided by someone other than yourself and be no more than one-page long.** Please ensure that contact information is included, that the references are aware that they may be contacted, and that the content of the letter will be shared with the Values Alignment Committee & Selection Committee. You may also submit additional supporting documents such as resume, newspaper articles, etc. But they are not required.

## V. Checklist

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ALL Nomination Guidelines have been reviewed                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed Nomination Form                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 to 2 Letters of Support                                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> *Optional Supporting Materials: resume, newspaper articles, etc. |

You will have no further opportunity to add to or correct the information that appears in this nomination form.

Please save the form for submission.

## Submitting A Nomination

Send the completed form, 1 to 2 letters of support and any optional supporting documents directly to : [events@ywcaregina.com](mailto:events@ywcaregina.com)

Must be received by 11:59 pm on Saturday, December 9, 2023. Late submissions will not be considered.

*Thank you!*