

## International Skydiving Hall of Fame Nomination and Selection Process



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The International Skydiving Hall of Fame recognizes and honors those who, through leadership, innovation and/or outstanding achievements, have defined, promoted, and advanced skydiving at the highest and sustained levels such that they have made it possible for generations of skydivers to enjoy the sport.

#### Criteria for Admission

The following attributes are the basis on which the election of nominees is to be considered:

- Have actively participated in the sport as a member of an International Skydiving Commission (ISC)-affiliated skydiving association.
- Made major contributions to the sport in at least three of the following skydiving related areas:
  - Leadership
  - Competition [to include judging]
  - Photography/videography
  - Aviation
  - Innovation
  - Design, Invention and/or Manufacturing
  - Sport promotion [to include government liaison]
  - Philanthropy.
- May be living or posthumous.

## **Nomination Procedures**

Nominations may be made by individuals or by representatives of organizations or groups. A candidate may not nominate themselves.

- All nominations must follow the steps listed in the nomination form that follows.
- All nominations must be typed as concise as possible.
- Nominations must be received by November 30 for consideration by the Selection Committee at its meeting in the following year.
- Once a nomination is received, it will remain on file for consideration.

## **Selection Committee**

The committee shall be chaired by the Hall of Fame Committee chair and comprised of the following members:

- The trustees who comprise the voting members of the Hall of Fame Committee.
- One member of the Parachute Industry Association's governing body (preferably not also a Museum & Hall of Fame trustee) selected by that organization's governing body.
- One member of the U. S. Parachute Association board of directors (preferably not also a Museum & Hall of Fame trustee) selected by that organization's governing body.
- One Hall of Fame member (preferably not also a Museum & Hall of Fame trustee) selected by the Hall of Fame Selection Committee chair with concurrence of the Museum & Hall of Fame president.
- One member of the ISC governing body (preferably not also a Museum & Hall of Fame trustee) selected by that organization's governing body.
- One at-large non-trustee member selected by the chair to ensure that the committee has a cross section of the skydiving community in terms of both competition disciplines and skydiving currency.
- The Selection Committee chair shall determine the members of the Selection Committee and advise the Museum & Hall of Fame board by November 30.

## **Selection Procedures**

- The selection of inductees will be made by the Hall of Fame Selection Committee and ratified by the International Skydiving Museum & Hall of Fame Board of Trustees. The HOF Selection Committee members are not released until the Museum Board of Trustees have ratified the selections.
- The International Hall of Fame Selection Committee shall meet annually, preferably in-person (preferably) or alternatively by electronic conferencing methods, to vote on the list of candidates. The meeting will be closed.
- At least three weeks prior to the annual meeting of the International Skydiving Hall of Fame Selection Committee, the museum administrator will ensure that all completed nominations submitted by November 30 are available for the committee's review. All new nominations will be checked for completeness by both the Museum Administrator and HOF Committee Chair before adding them as a viable candidate. All nomination forms will be attached in chronological order for each candidate.
- Two weeks prior to the annual meeting of the HOF Selection Committee all members will fully vet and propose up to 5 names from the list of candidates. This list will be sent to the Chair of HOF Committee. The Chair will delete duplicates and send the list to the Selection Committee to review and research prior to the HOF Selection Committee meeting. No current Trustee or voting member of the HOF Selection Committee are eligible for HOF consideration.
- At the meeting each member of the Hall of Fame Selection Committee can vote for 9 candidates. A discussion of the candidates will be held before the voting takes place. Three candidates receive 3 votes, three candidates receive two votes and three candidates receive one vote. The Chair will rank list the candidates by their vote totals.
- A discussion will take place starting with the candidates receiving the most votes. If no major objections or new information is brought forth that candidate will be voted on for final acceptance to the HOF. If during the discussions the Chair feels that the new information needs more review the candidate will be removed from consideration and held until next year.
- In the event of a tie or ties for the last spots, the committee will vote for those in the tying spot until the tie(s) are broken. The committee may select no more than five nominees or less than one from the list. Initial straw polling may be used by the Chair in order to ensure thorough consideration of all candidates.
- Only members of the HOF Committee can vote on waivers to the committee's SOP.

## **Award**

Each inductee will receive a plaque and a Hall of Fame blazer in the inductee's size and a name tag with the inductee's name and class year. Additionally, the inductees will be suitably recognized in a permanent Hall of Fame gallery in the International Skydiving Museum.

## **Induction Ceremony**

There will be an annual event organized and hosted by the Museum dedicated to the recognition of the inductee(s). This event will also serve as a major fundraising event for the Skydiving Museum.

- During the ceremony, each inductee will be presented to the Hall of Fame by a person or persons of his or her choice, subject to review and approval by the Hall of Fame Committee chair. Each presenter and each inductee will have three to five minutes for their presentation/induction.
- If no presenter's name is provided by the inductee, the Hall of Fame Committee chair will select an individual to make the presentation.

## **Funding**

Initial funding shall be provided by the Museum. However, additional and sustained funding should be by endowment.

## **Administration**

Recommended forms for nomination and the list of past awardees are available from the Museum headquarters and/or website.



## Members of the International Skydiving Hall of Fame

2010 – Lowell Bachman (posthumous), Jerry Bird, Georgia “Tiny” Broadwick (posthumous), Joe Crane (posthumous), Joe Kittinger, Eilif Ness, Bill Ottley (posthumous), Lew Sanborn, Cheryl Stearns, Ted Strong, Gene Paul Thacker

2011 – Uwe Beckmann (posthumous), Bill Booth, Jacques-André Istel, Lenny Potts, Steve Snyder (posthumous), Tee Taylor

2012 – Carl Boenish (posthumous), Bob Buquor (posthumous), Claude Gillard, Craig Girard, Dan Poynter, Hank (posthumous) and Muriel Simbro

2013 – James F. (Curt) Curtis III, Kim Emmons Knor, Jack Jefferies, Chuck MacCrone, Jackie Smith, Jim Wallace

2014 – Jerry Bourquin, Dan “BC” Brodsky-Chenfeld, Norman Heaton, Chris Needels, Helmut Schlecht

2015 – Alexander “Sasha” Beloglazov, Helmut Cloth, Yasuhiro “Yasu” Kubo, Nathan “Nate” Pond, Paul “Pop” Poppenhager, Brenda G. Reid, Robert “Bob” Sinclair (posthumous)

2016 – Larry K. Bagley, Dave DeWolf, Ed “Doc” Fitch (posthumous), Dick Fortenberry, Pat Moorehead, William “Bill” Morrissey

2017 – Richard “Buzz” Bennett, Roy Johnson (posthumous), Major General John Singlaub, Graeme K. Windsor, Pat Works (posthumous)

2018 – Ray Cottingham, Daryl Henry, Leslie Leroy Irvin, Domina “Dom” Jalbert, Suzie Hunter-Joerns, Coy O. McDonald Jr., Roger Ponce de Leon, Jay Stokes, Tony Uragallo, Henny Wiggers

2019 - Irena Avbelj, Chuck Collingwood (posthumous), Kate Cooper-Jensen, Patrick de Gayardon (posthumous), Alan Eustace, John P. Higgins, Andy Keech, Tom Sanders, Deke Sonnichsen, John “Lofty” Thomas (posthumous)

2020 - Bruno Brokken, Faye Cox, Chris Gay, Russ Gunby (posthumous), Larry Hill, Xiaoli Lai, jeanni McCombs (posthumous), Mike McGowan, Paul Rafferty (posthumous), Kirk Verner, Bruce Wicks

2021 - Omar Alhegelan, Ian Bobo, Lesley Gale, Patrice Girardin, Roger Nelson (posthumous)

2022 - Pete Allum, Amy Chmelecki, Dr. J. Scott Hamilton, Deanna “Skydancer” Kent (posthumous;), Eliana Rodriguez, Laurie “truck” Sams, Dave Waterman (posthumous), Solly Williams

2023 - Gustavo Cabana, Bill Coe, Jon Devore, Bill Kitchen, Shannon Pilcher

2024 – Lee Guilfoyle, Katharina Paulus, Bobby “Spider” Wrenn, Norman Kent, Don Kirlin, Olav Zipser

Part One – Nominee Information	
Nominee Name	
Address 1	
Address 2	
City	
State/Providence	
Country	
Postal Code	
Phone Number (Home)	
Phone Number (Cell)	
Email Address	
Gender	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Date of Birth	
Place of Birth	
Date of Death (if applicable)	
Place of Death (if applicable)	
Date of First Skydive	

Family Member Contact Information	
Name	
Address 1	
Address 2	
City	
State/Providence	
Country	
Postal Code	
Phone Number (Home)	
Phone Number (Cell)	
Email Address	
Familial Relationship	
Has this nomination form been reviewed by the candidate or a member of the candidate's family?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May we share this nomination form with the person nominated (or their family) if they are selected for induction into the Hall of Fame (if requested)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

## Part Two – Criteria for Admission

Clearly and briefly explain how the nominee’s contributions to skydiving relate to at least **THREE** of the following areas:

- Leadership
- Aviation
- Sport Promotion
- Competition (Including Judging)
- Innovation
- Government Relations
- Photography/Videography
- Design/Invention/Manufacturing
- Philanthropy

1<sup>st</sup> Contribution to the Sport (List the Criteria and Brief Description) **\*REQUIRED\***

2<sup>nd</sup> Contribution to the Sport (List the Criteria and Brief Description) **\*REQUIRED\***

3<sup>rd</sup> Contribution to the Sport (List the Criteria and Brief Description) **\*REQUIRED\***

4<sup>th</sup> Contribution to the Sport (List the Criteria and Brief Description)

5<sup>th</sup> Contribution to the Sport (List the Criteria and Brief Description)

In narrative form, using 100 words or less, indicate the major contributions and/or accomplishments that serve to qualify the nominated individual for admission to the International Skydiving Hall of Fame.

If not otherwise reflected above, briefly indicate why, in your view, the candidate is especially deserving of this honor.

Additional attachments may be included as supporting documents to include dates and sources of information.

**ATTACH A HIGH RESOLUTION PHOTOGRAPH OF THE CANDIDATE.**

The photo should be suitable for marketing.



<b>Part Three – Individual Making Nomination</b>	
Name	
Address 1	
Address 2	
City	
State/Province	
Country	
Postal Code	
Phone Number (Home)	
Phone Number (Cell)	
Email Address	
Relationship to Nominee	

The information contained on this nomination form is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, both truthful and accurate.

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Nominator's Signature

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Date

Nomination forms are due by November 30. SEND NOMINATION FORM TO:

Nancy (Kemble) Wilhelm, Museum Administrator  
 International Skydiving Museum & Hall of Fame  
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 Port Orange, Florida 32128 USA

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