



# 2021 Texas Medal of Arts Awards Honoree Nomination Criteria

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## CELEBRATING THE ARTS IN TEXAS

Through the Texas Medal of Arts Awards (TMAA), the Texas Cultural Trust spotlights Texas leaders and luminaries who have achieved greatness through their creative talents, as well as those whose generosity has opened doors to artistic opportunity for Texans of all ages. Inspired by the National Medal of Arts and the Kennedy Center Honors, the Texas Medal of Arts has been presented biennially since 2001. Culminating in a star-studded celebration, the Texas Medal of Arts Awards raises substantial financial support, visibility, and awareness about the power of the arts to enrich a child's education and enhance our state's economy and cultural heritage.

## 2021 TEXAS MEDAL OF ARTS AWARDS CELEBRATION

On October 18th and 19th 2021, the Texas Cultural Trust will celebrate the creative excellence, exemplary talents and outstanding contributions by Texans in selected categories at the 11th biennial Texas Medal of Arts Awards.

We invite you to nominate a Texas artist, individual, organization, or corporation who exemplifies the very best in their respective discipline or category. A list of previous TMAA honorees are listed on the Texas Cultural Trust website at [www.texasmedalofarts.org](http://www.texasmedalofarts.org).

### Rationale

The Texas Medal of Arts Awards strives to honor both distinguished Texas artists and persons or organizations that have encouraged the advancement of the arts in Texas, whether through personal achievement or unflinching support.

### Categories

Nominations may be submitted for individuals or organizations who have contributed to the arts in the following categories: Architecture, Arts Education, Arts Patron (Individual, Corporation, Foundation), Craft, Dance, Design, Film, Folk Arts, Lifetime Achievement, Literary Arts, Media/Multi-Media, Music (Songwriter, Performer, Ensemble), Television, Theatre Arts, Visual Arts

### Eligibility of Artists

Nominees must have been born in the State of Texas or completed a major portion of their work in Texas to be considered. **All Honorees must be present to receive their award during the Texas Medal of Arts Awards Celebration on October 18th and 19th, 2021 in Austin, TX.**

### Sponsoring Organization

The Texas Cultural Trust Council is a 501(c) 3 charitable organization created in 1995 to raise public awareness of and support for the arts in Texas as a vehicle to improve the quality of public education and to stimulate economic growth.

### Selection Committee

A committee will be appointed by the Texas Cultural Trust to review nominations. All members of the Selection Committee will have a history of involvement with the arts in Texas.

### Nominations, Submissions, and Deadline

The general public is invited to nominate TMAA honorees using the 2021 Honoree Nomination Form found on [www.texasmedalofarts.org](http://www.texasmedalofarts.org). Completed honoree nomination forms and accompanying one-page summaries must be submitted to [tmaa@txculturaltrust.org](mailto:tmaa@txculturaltrust.org) no later than October 16th, 2020.

### Multiple Nominations

Individuals may nominate more than one person or organization to receive a TMAA. A separate nomination form must be completed for each nomination in order to be considered.

### Professional Summary and Accomplishments Description

When completing the nomination form, please briefly summarize career highlights, what the artist, arts patron, or organization has accomplished, the category in which they are to be considered, and any biographical material about the nominee. You may include up to one additional page of detailed accomplishments.

### Supplemental Materials

Supplemental materials may be included, but not necessary. Materials may include one brochure, one book, a set of slides/photos (maximum of 10 photos), or a music sample. These materials may be mailed, after the nomination form is submitted, to the Texas Cultural Trust at 901 S. Mopac Expy., Barton Oaks Plaza II, Ste. 410, Austin, TX 78746. Please Note: Supplemental materials will not be returned.

### Confirmation of Nomination

A confirmation email from the Texas Cultural Trust will be sent to completed nomination submissions. The Selection Committee will contact the nominator directly if additional information is required. Honorees will be announced in January 2021.



# 2021 Honoree Nomination Form

In order to be considered, Honoree Nomination Forms must be legible, complete, and submitted to [tmaa@txculturaltrust.org](mailto:tmaa@txculturaltrust.org) by October 16, 2020. Visit [www.texasmedalofarts.org](http://www.texasmedalofarts.org) for more information.

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### PERSON/ORGANIZATION SUBMITTING NOMINATION:

*This information must be completed for nomination to be considered.*

Name (Individual or Organization) .....  
Mailing Address .....  
City ..... State ..... Zip .....  
Cell phone .....  
Alternate phone .....

### NOMINEE INFORMATION:

Name of Nominee .....  
E-mail Address .....  
Mailing Address .....  
City ..... State ..... Zip .....  
Cell phone .....  
Alternate Contact Name .....  
Alternate phone .....  
Title .....  
E-mail address if different from above .....

### FOR INDIVIDUAL NOMINEES:

Birth date ..... Place of Birth .....  
Years spent in Texas .....

### CATEGORY (Please select up to three applicable Texas Medal of Arts categories):

*All categories may not be recognized during a Texas Medal of Arts Awards celebration.*

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|------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Architecture                       | Film                 | Television               |
| Arts Education                     | Lifetime Achievement | Theatre Arts             |
| Arts Patron – Individual           | Literary Arts        | Visual Arts              |
| Arts Patron – Foundation/Corporate | Media/Multimedia     | Other (please elaborate) |
| Dance                              | Music – Performance  | .....                    |
| Design                             | Music – Songwriter   |                          |

**FOR ALL NOMINATIONS:**

Please summarize the following information in the space provided below or on ONE separate page and submit with 2021 Honoree Nomination Form. Supplemental materials may be included or mailed but are not necessary.

- **Key professional credits, accomplishments, and/or highlights.**
- **For Individual and Organization Arts Patrons, describe the arts or creative projects and organizations supported by the nominee.**

A large, empty rectangular box with a dotted border, intended for providing the summarized information requested in the instructions above.