

Bright Lights Awards: Inspiring Immigrant Women for 35 Years Pacific Immigrant Resources Society (PIRS)

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

To celebrate 35 years of supporting immigrant women and their young children to participate fully in Canadian community life, PIRS is honouring women who have come to Canada from another country and become inspirational leaders in their new communities.

Since 1975 PIRS has been providing services for thousands of immigrant women and their young children to gain the knowledge, skills, confidence and friendships they need to feel at home in Canada, and to participate more actively in their adopted country.

PIRS is seeking nominations of immigrant women who inspire others to achieve through their social, personal and/or professional contributions, and who work to eliminate barriers in their communities. PIRS will be publicly honouring and acknowledging the Award winners this fall.

Help PIRS shine a light on the women who make our communities stronger by nominating an inspiring immigrant woman today!

NOMINATION CRITERIA:

The nominee should meet as many of the following criteria as possible:

1. Born and raised in a country other than Canada with a first language other than English.
2. Connected and respected in her professional and/or social community/ies.
3. Nominees can be someone you know personally, or have heard of in the community.
4. Supports and encourages the development of others.
5. Demonstrates resourcefulness and the ability to overcome barriers.
6. Demonstrates compatibility with the following PIRS values:
 - Promotes respect for diversity of culture and experience
 - Actively respond to unmet, emerging and changing community needs
 - Strives to eliminate barriers to access
 - Promotes personal growth and development and empowers others to achieve goals

Note:

Nominees cannot be PIRS staff or volunteers. The amazing contributions of these individuals are honoured through a different process.

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NOMINATION FORM

NAME OF NOMINEE: _____

POSITION/TITLE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: Home: _____ Business: _____

EMAIL: _____

IS THE NOMINEE AWARE OF THIS NOMINATION? _____ YES _____ NO

NOMINATED BY: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: Home: _____ Business: _____

EMAIL: _____

DATE OF SUBMISSION: _____

WRITE A BRIEF PROFILE OF THE NOMINEE AND LIST THE QUALITIES THAT MAKE HER AN OUTSTANDING WOMAN (*what is her vision/ what obstacles has she overcome/ how has she inspired others?*):

BRIEFLY OUTLINE HER CONTRIBUTION (*provide the name of the community/ies and specific examples of her contributions*):

FORWARD NOMINATIONS TO:

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**DEADLINE FOR NOMINATION:
THURSDAY APRIL 1, 2010**

** Award Winners will be announced in June 2010**