

“IN THE TRADITION...”
39th Annual National Black Storytelling Festival and Conference

AWARDS NOMINATION APPLICATION

The **NOMINATOR** should be a financial member of NABS. Also, NABS members should nominate no more than a total of four (4) nominees.

The NOMINEES must meet the following requirements : (except for the Zora Neale Hurston Award)

1. Be a financial member of NABS
2. Be involved in storytelling events or activities in his/her community.
3. Have attended at least one NABS festival (unless otherwise stated).
4. Be a positive role model.

_____ **Zora Neale Hurston Award** - the highest award given by the National Association of Black Storytellers, Inc. This Award recognizes an individual whose body of work, accomplishments, and experiences has had a historic, regional, national and/or international impact in preserving and perpetuating the arts, culture, and humanities from the African Diaspora. These categories include: storytelling, folklore, literature, material culture, fiber arts, performing arts, spoken word, visual arts, theater, dance, history, folk & traditional arts, music, journalism, education, anthropology, etc. Up to three (3) individuals may receive the Zora Neale Hurston Award. A person may be nominated for the award if nominee has made transition between the immediate past NABS Festival and Conference and the immediate deadline of the upcoming Festival.

_____ **Brother Blue Circle of Elder Award** - recognizes the contributions and honored presence of Elders in the Storytelling Community. The nominee must meet the following requirements:

- Be over 60 years of age
- Have been a member for at least five years
- A Financial member of NABS
- Have attended at least three NABS Festivals

Up to six (6) inducted into the Circle. Self-nominations are encouraged.

_____ **Baba Jamal Koram Harambee Youth Award** - There are three age categories for the Youth Award: **Please include name and phone # of parent or guardian on the application**

Category I: 7-10

Category II: Age 11-14

Category III: Age 15-18

Category IV - Youth group of an affiliate or youth group of a financial NABS member

The nominee must meet the following requirements:

1. A financial member of NABS, Inc.
2. Be involved in storytelling events or activities in his/her community.
3. Have attended at least one national festival
4. Be a positive role model.

_____ **Linda Jenkins Brown Nia Award for Service** - Given to a financial NABS member whose commitment, work ethic, and dedication promotes and embodies the vision, mission, and spirit of NABS and its programs. Up to two (2) awards presented.

2021 NABS AWARDS NOMINATIONS FORM

- 1) Please call prospective nominee to ensure eligibility.
- 2) Complete this form for each nomination.
- 3) Send a narrative (along with this Nominations Form) describing activities and accomplishments that meet the award requirements.
- 4) Any financial NABS member may submit nominations.
- 5) PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY OR TYPE (For additional nominations, make copies of this form.)

For _____ AWARD

NOMINEE _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ (Day) _____ (Evening)

Email Address _____ FAX: _____

NOMINATOR _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone: _____ (Day) _____ (Evening)

Email Address: _____ FAX: _____

DEADLINE: Monday, August 2, 2021 (No Exceptions)

Email Nominations to:
Janice Burnett
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Questions? Call Janice 313 – 319 - 8283
