



NISEI WEEK™
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Nisei Week Pioneer Spirit Application Procedures

Criteria for Selection

The nomination must come from an organization and not an individual. The organization is responsible for making sure that the information submitted is complete, accurate and on time.

The Nisei Week Foundation is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) charitable organization that produces the Nisei Week Japanese Festival, a nine-day festival to celebrate and share Japanese and Japanese American culture and history as an integral part of the City of Los Angeles' historic Little Tokyo community.

The mission of the Nisei Week Foundation is to promote Japanese and Japanese American heritage and traditions while bringing together the diverse communities of Southern California through arts and cultural education.

The Pioneer Spirit Award honoree should exemplify the Nisei Week mission and currently be or have been active in the Japanese and/or Japanese American community, support and participate in various organizations, as well as demonstrate leadership skills. Age is not a criterion for selection.

Biography and Photo Requirement

Biographies for nominees must be written in English and contain between 500 and 650 words (one page only, double spaced). There must be full sentences and paragraphs only and no résumés or bullet points. Biographies not following the instructions will be returned to be resubmitted within the deadline. If you need an example of a biography, please contact the office at office@niseiweek.org or look at a previous Nisei Week booklet for samples.

Biography must be submitted in MS Word format (please do not send a PDF) and four photos (headshot and three other portrait photographs, no smaller than 4x6; high resolution, 300 dpi) must also be emailed with the application. **Should the nominee be selected, photos will be used in the booklet and all media notices. Nisei Week reserves the right to edit the biography and distribute as needed.**

Special offer: Alan Miyatake of Toyo Miyatake Studio has graciously agreed to provide a special photo package for individuals. This package includes a digital photo, sent to the Nisei Week office on your behalf. Please contact Alan at (626) 289-5674 for prices.

Please note that biographies and photos will not be returned to the applicant if their nominee is not selected. These digital files will be destroyed to protect the privacy of the nominee.

Deadline

The application deadline is Friday, April 26, 2019. Application, media release form, biography and photos must be emailed to office@niseiweek.org.



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