



2014  
In the Company  
of Women

In Honor of Women's History Month Every March

**Nomination Form**

Nominate an Outstanding Woman Today

## A Brief History

Since 1989, men and women have gathered to honor the outstanding achievements of women throughout Miami-Dade County during the annual In The Company of Women Awards Ceremony. This popular and prestigious event serves as part of Women's History Month, observed annually in March. The event has received recognition from the National Association of Counties and the Southern Region of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission.

All women in Miami-Dade County who have exemplified **Professional Development, Community Responsibility, Leadership and Vision, Contribution to Women's Progress, and Promotion of Pluralism** are eligible to be nominated in one of eight professional categories, the Community Spirit Award, the Young Professional Award, the Posthumous Award, or for the Mayor's Pioneer Award.

## How To Nominate

A committee of community leaders will review nomination forms in order to determine the nominee's eligibility. For the professional awards, Young Professional Award, and the Posthumous Award, emphasis will be placed on the nominee's contribution to women's progress in her profession/area of interest. For the Community Spirit Award, emphasis is placed on the nominee's volunteerism within the community.

Nominators are required to complete the attached nomination form, then submit **nine** copies of the nomination form along with **nine** photocopies of any newspaper or magazine articles about the nominee if available.

For the Pioneer Award, emphasis will be placed on overall involvement in the community and women's progress. Appointees from Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez office will review nominations for the Mayor's Pioneer Award. If you are nominating a woman for the Mayor's Pioneer Award, please submit only **three** photocopies of the nomination form. You must also submit **three** photocopies of recommendation letters from **three individuals**, but not from the nominator. You may also submit no more than 3 newspaper or magazine articles about the nominee if available.

Nomination packets that fail to include these items and/or do not meet the application deadline will be automatically disqualified. Past recipients of the In the Company award are not eligible.

**Nomination forms for the upcoming year must be postmarked by October 11, 2013.**

**Nominations will not be accepted via E-mail.**

**Nomination packets are to be sent directly to:**

**Laura Morilla, Executive Director  
Miami-Dade County Commission for Women  
111 N.W. 1st Street, Suite 1034  
Miami, FL 33128**

For more information and for a list of past award recipients, please go to [www.miamidade.gov/parks/women.asp](http://www.miamidade.gov/parks/women.asp).

Call Laura Morilla at 305-375-4967 or email at [morilla@miamidade.gov](mailto:morilla@miamidade.gov) for questions or more information.

*Please keep this copy for your records.*

# NOMINATION FORM

## In the Company of Women

TODAY'S DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation/Business/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Work or Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

You may nominate one person per form. Please select one category for the person you are nominating from the list below. You may attach your typed responses to the nomination form.

### Award Categories

- Outstanding Woman in Arts & Entertainment
- Outstanding Woman in Business & Economics
- Outstanding Woman in Communications & Literature
- Outstanding Woman in Education & Research
- Outstanding Woman in Government & Law  
 Elected Official     Other
- Outstanding Woman in Health & Human Services
- Outstanding Woman in Science & Technology
- Outstanding Woman in Sports & Athletics
- Young Professional Award — *The Young Professional Award recognizes an outstanding woman age 30 and under who exemplifies the five characteristics required, as well as proven leadership within her profession.*
- Community Spirit Award — *The Community Spirit Award recognizes an outstanding woman who, through volunteerism and service, has made a difference within the community. No specific professional background is required for this nomination.*
- Posthumous Award — *Posthumous Award is in honor of a woman who has passed away and recognizes her accomplishments within Miami-Dade County.*
- Mayor's Pioneer Award — *The Pioneer Award honors a trailblazer who has proven leadership, creativity, and vision in addressing community issues and advancing the status of women in Miami-Dade County for at least the past 10 years. **For this nomination you must also submit recommendation letters from 3 individuals.***

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Biography on nominee (100 words or less. Please attach.)

In what capacity do you know the nominee? (100 words or less.)

Why are you nominating this person? (100 words or less.)

\*\*\*A resume may be attached to include the following 3 categories\*\*\*

Professional Background (Not required for Community Spirit Award.) (100 words or less.)

Honors/Awards (100 words or less.)

Boards/Committees (100 words or less.)



## I. Professional Development (500 words or less.)

Briefly describe any recent promotions/increased job responsibilities, industry recognition and contributions to her chosen field. (Need not apply for Community Spirit Award.)

## II. Community Responsibility (500 words or less.)

Briefly describe her community involvement, volunteer activities, impact on social, educational, economic and cultural spheres.

## III. Leadership and Vision (500 words or less.)

Briefly describe her ability to motivate people, communication skills, and how she has demonstrated innovative spirit and ability to lead.

## IV. Contribution to Women's Progress (500 words or less.)

Briefly describe her ability to mentor and encourage women to enter or lead in her chosen profession, how she projects a positive role model and advocates for women's issues.

## V. Promotion of Pluralism (500 words or less.)

Briefly describe how she encourages pluralistic programs in the community, involvement in bridge building and encourages communication among the diverse ethnic/cultural groups.

## Nominator's Contact Information

Nominator's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation/Business/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Work or Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_