

# Rethe COMPANY of WOMEN HISTORY

Every March, in celebration of Women's History Month, Miami-Dade Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department, in partnership with the Parks Foundation of Miami-Dade and the Miami-Dade Commission for Women, present the In the Company of Women Awards ceremony to recognize Miami-Dade County women leaders and their contributions to this community.

Created in 1989 during a tumultuous time in Miami where racial and ethnic tensions caused divisions in our community, the award was meant to help heal those wounds and bring the community together. Women like **Marjory Stoneman Douglas**, **Yvonne Santa Maria**, **Athalie Range**, **Elizabeth Virrick** and **Alice Wainwright** were the first set of trailblazers to be recognized for the role they played in paving new paths for women. After more than 30 years, hundreds of women have joined this elite group of recipients.

The In the Company of Women Awards Ceremony also highlights the work and contributions of **The Women's Park** – a Miami-Dade County Park – which opened in 1992 to recognize and celebrate women's impact and influences in society. **It is the first park in the nation of its kind**, spearheaded by pioneer feminist Roxcy Bolton, a coalition of women leaders, former Miami-Dade Mayor, the late Stephen Clark, and with the support of the County Commission, it stands as a symbol of the trials and triumphs women have faced throughout the years.

Proceeds from In the Company of Women supports The Women's Park and its *Girls Empowerment and Mentoring* (*G.E.M.*) Summer Arts Camp.

It's time to honor an amazing woman - nominate her today!



# HOW TO NOMINATE



Nominations for the 31st Annual In the Company of Women Awards runs from **September 4, 2018 through October 12, 2018**. 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.

#### THERE ARE TWO WAYS TO NOMINATE

Hard copy nomination form through regular mail, or online at www.miamidade.gov/parks/company-ofwomen.asp.

Hard copy nomination forms WILL NOT be accepted via email or any other digital format.

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR HARD COPY NOMINATION FORM:**

- Complete attached hard copy nomination form.
- \* Submit two (2) copies of a complete nomination package to include:
  - 1. Hard copy nomination form
  - 2. Nominee's resume
  - 3. One high-resolution color photo of nominee

4. No more than three supporting documents such as recommendation letters, newspaper or magazine articles, etc. If submitting recommendation letters, the letters must be from persons other than the nominator.

Nomination packages must be postmarked by October 12, 2018.

Mail nomination packages to:

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

A committee of community leaders will review nomination packages to determine the nominee's eligibility.

Nomination packets that fail to include these items and/or do not meet the application deadline will automatically be disqualified.

Past recipients of the In the Company of Women award are not eligible.

The nominee MUST be willing/able to accept the award on March 7, 2019, or send a representative on her behalf.

For more information and for a list of past award recipients, visit www.miamidade.gov/parks/company-of-women.asp or contact Laura Morilla at 305-375-4967 or morilla@miamidade.gov.

Please keep a copy of this application for your records.

# 2019 NOMINATION FORM

Today's Date .....

# NOMINATOR'S CONTACT INFORMATION

Nominator's Name	
Affiliation/Business/Organization	
Address	
City, State, Zip	
Telephone: Work or Cell	. Home
Email Address	

# MOMINEE'S CONTACT INFORMATION

Nominee's Name
Affiliation/Business/Organization
Address
City, State, Zip
Felephone: Work or Cell
Email Address

# AWARD CATEGORIES

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. For professional categories, emphasis will be placed on the nominee's contribution to women's progress in her profession/area of interest.

- Outstanding Woman in Arts & Entertainment
  Outstanding Woman in Business & Economics
  Outstanding Woman in Communications & Literature
- Outstanding Woman in Education & Research
- Outstanding Young Professional (must be age 40 and under).

- Outstanding Woman in Government & Law
  *Elected Official Other*
- Outstanding Woman in Health & Human Services
- □ Outstanding Woman in Science & Technology
- □ Outstanding Woman in Sports & Athletics

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. Emphasis is placed on the nominee's volunteerism within the community.

□ Posthumous Award — Posthumous Award is in honor of a woman who has passed away and recognizes her accomplishments within Miami-Dade County. Emphasis will be placed on the nominee's contribution to women's progress in her profession/area of interest.

□ 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. Emphasis will be placed on overall involvement in the community and women's progress. For this nomination you must also submit recommendation letters from 3 individuals.



**1. PLEASE PROVIDE A BIOGRAPHY OF THE NOMINEE.** (250 words or less, include a resume or cv) (Please include honors, awards, and board experience).

## 2. WHY IS THIS NOMINEE DESERVING OF THIS AWARD? (350 words or less)

(Please include professional achievements, industry recognition, contributions to her chosen field, ability to lead, demonstrated innovative vision and ability to motivate others)



#### 3. HOW HAS THIS NOMINEE DEMONSTRATED COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND RESPONSIBILITY?

(350 words or less) (Please include volunteer activities, impact on social, educational, economic and cultural spheres)

4. HOW HAS THIS NOMINEE CONTRIBUTED TO WOMEN'S PROGRESS AND PROMOTION OF PLURALISM?

(350 words or less) (Please include examples of mentoring, advocating on behalf of women, serving as positive role model, involvement in bridge building, and encouraging communication among diverse ethnic/cultural groups.)