



# The Leadership in Action Award

## Guidelines

### Purpose

The Leadership in Action Award recognizes a California Indian leader who has demonstrated a strong commitment, dedication and devotion to improving tribal governance and the community spirit of Indian country. The recipient must have demonstrated a genuine appreciation for the enhancement of tribal sovereignty, families and communities.

### Criteria

The recipient will have shown a high regard for the enhancement of California tribal governance and community spirit by having demonstrated excellence in three or more of the following areas:

- Advocacy for tribal sovereignty
- Advocacy for tribal government improvement
- Advocacy for the safety of tribal families and communities
- Advocacy for improving education for Indian youth

### Eligibility

The California Indian Museum and Cultural Center provides three awards on an annual basis, one in each of the following categories:

- The Cultural Guardian Award
- The Leadership in Action Award
- The Emerging Leader Award

All current California Indian tribal leaders are eligible for nominations.

### Nomination Process

An individual may submit more than one nomination to each category.

Completed forms and letters of nomination will be accepted **through Friday, June 12, 2009 until 5 p.m.**

A letter of nomination should accompany the nomination form describing a brief history of the nominee, a summary of their contributions to the community and how the community has benefited from their dedication, and how they exemplify the purpose of the award.

Letters of support from others may also be submitted.

### Presentation

Award recipients will be selected by members of the Board of Directors of the California Indian Museum and Cultural Center. Winners will be notified directly by June 19, 2009.



# The Leadership in Action Award

## 2009 Nomination Form

Nominee Name _____	Nominator's Name _____
Position _____	Position _____
Tribal Affiliation _____	Relationship to Nominee _____
Address _____	Address _____
City, State Zip _____	City, State Zip _____
Phone _____ Fax _____	Phone _____ Fax _____
E-mail _____	E-mail _____

**Demonstrated Commitment:** Describe the nominee's activities and achievements which illustrate how the nominee serves to improve tribal governance and the community spirit of Indian country.

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**Community Leadership and Character:** Describe and provide examples of how the nominee is well-respected in the community, of good reputation and integrity, and how he/she promotes tribal sovereignty, families and community within the tribe and/or on a local, state, regional level.

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Please return (1) this **form** and (2) a **letter of nomination** by **June 12, 2009** to:

The Leadership in Action Award  
**The California Indian Museum and Cultural Center**  
5250 Aero Drive  
Santa Rosa, CA 95403  
PH: (707) 579-3004  
FAX: (707) 579-9019  
Email: nikkimyrs@aol.com  
Website: www.cimcc.org

**NOTE:** If your nominee is selected he or she will be contacted and asked to participate in the presentation ceremony at the "For All My Relations" Conference For Indian Families banquet luncheon on July 9, 2009 at the Hyatt Regency Orange County, 11999 Harbor Boulevard, Garden Grove, CA 92840. For more information on the conference visit [www.nijc.org](http://www.nijc.org).

### Nominator's Provisions

I attest to all information on this form and any accompanying attachments and agree that it may be used for publication. I further agree to make every effort to ensure the attendance of my nominee at the 10th Annual For All My Relations Conference Awards Luncheon, **July 9, 2009 at 11:30 a.m.**, should he or she be the finalist in consideration for this award.

**Signature of Nominator:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



# The Emerging Leader Award

## Guidelines

### Purpose

The Emerging Leader Award recognizes an individual who has demonstrated the ability to reach leadership potential through competitive achievement. The recipient must have demonstrated academic, athletic, and/or community service excellence and show commitment to using their skills to improve the wellbeing of California tribal communities.

### Criteria

The recipient will have shown a high regard for academic, athletic and/or community service achievement and their commitment to improving the wellbeing of California tribal communities by having demonstrated excellence in three or more of the following areas:

- Academic excellence
- Athletic excellence
- Community service achievement
- Cultural preservation/revitalization
- Creation/maintenance of community or cultural resources

### Eligibility

The California Indian Museum and Cultural Center provides three awards on an annual basis, one in each of the following categories:

- The Cultural Guardian Award
- The Leadership in Action Award
- The Emerging Leader Award

All California Indian and Native American (residing in California) elementary, high school and college students are eligible for nominations.

### Nomination Process

An individual may submit more than one nomination to each category.

Completed forms and letters of nomination will be accepted **through Friday, June 12, 2009 until 5 p.m.**

A letter of nomination should accompany the nomination form describing a brief history of the nominee, a summary of their contributions to the community and how the community has benefited from their dedication, and how they exemplify the purpose of the award.

Letters of support from others may also be submitted.

### Presentation

Award recipients will be selected by members of the Board of Directors of the California Indian Museum and Cultural Center. Winners will be notified directly by June 19, 2009.



# The Emerging Leader Award

## 2009 Nomination Form

Nominee Name \_\_\_\_\_ Nominator's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Position \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_  
Tribal Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Nominee \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State Zip \_\_\_\_\_ City, State Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

***Demonstrated Commitment:*** Describe the nominee's activities and achievements which illustrate how the nominee has excelled in academic, athletic and/or community service pursuits.

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***Community Leadership and Character:*** Describe and provide examples of how the nominee is well-respected in the community, of good reputation and integrity, and how he/she promotes or plans to promote the wellbeing of California tribal communities.

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The Emerging Leader Award  
***The California Indian Museum and Cultural Center***  
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PH: (707) 579-3004  
FAX: (707) 579-9019  
Email: nikkimyrs@aol.com  
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**Signature of Nominator:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



# The Cultural Guardian Award

## Guidelines

### Purpose

The Cultural Guardian Award recognizes an individual who has demonstrated a powerful commitment to protecting, preserving and enhancing the cultural integrity of Indian tribes of California. The recipient must have demonstrated a dedication to tribal language enhancement and preservation activities that assure an intergenerational connection to culture and tradition.

### Criteria

The recipient will have shown a high regard for the California tribal cultural preservation and revitalization by having demonstrated excellence in three or more of the following areas:

- Cultural protection, preservation and enhancement
- California tribal language preservation and revitalization
- The promotion of intergenerational cultural activities among community members
- Tribal cultural program enhancement
- Tribal cultural and historical documentation and/or exhibition or curriculum development

### Eligibility

The California Indian Museum and Cultural Center provides three awards on an annual basis, one in each of the following categories:

- The Cultural Guardian Award
- The Leadership in Action Award
- The Emerging Leader Award

All California Indians and Native Americans living in California are eligible for nominations.

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### Presentation

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# The Cultural Guardian Award

## 2009 Nomination Form

Nominee Name _____	Nominator's Name _____
Position _____	Position _____
Tribal Affiliation _____	Relationship to Nominee _____
Address _____	Address _____
City, State Zip _____	City, State Zip _____
Phone _____ Fax _____	Phone _____ Fax _____
E-mail _____	E-mail _____

***Demonstrated Commitment:*** Describe the nominee's activities and achievements which illustrate how the nominee serves to protect, preserve and enhance the cultural integrity of California Indian tribes.

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***Community Leadership and Character:*** Describe and provide examples of how the nominee is well-respected in the community, of good reputation and integrity, and how he/she promotes language and cultural preservation within their community and/or on a local, state, regional level.

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