The CreativeOhio **Business Advocate Champion Award** was created to honor a business that has demonstrated exemplary effort and made a significant impact in the arts and creative arts sector.

**Award Objectives**

- To recognize excellence in art advocacy within the business.
- To increase public awareness of the importance of arts advocacy.
- Set standards for consistent advocacy and show how it can be achieved.
- To provide tangible recognition of achievement, earn the respect of colleagues, and enhance arts and creatives in the region and around the state.

**Nominations include**

- Submitted Award Nomination Form
- Letters of Recommendation (No more than five)
- Logo of the business
- "No age restrictions on nominations"

**When submitting your nomination, your letters of support should reflect the nominees:**

- Demonstrated sustained efforts in arts advocacy by pursuing public and private sector support of creatives and forming relationships that impact creatives.
- Ability to mobilize community members around the importance of arts and creativity.
- Impact of their arts advocacy throughout the region.

**Award Selection**

Nominations and supporting documentation are submitted to the CreativeOhio Foundation at Nominations@creativeoh.org. The CreativeOhio award committee, made up of CreativeOhio board members and members of the Mahoning Valley Region, will select the award recipient.

**Deadlines**

**The call for nominations will close on June 15, 2023.** This timeline allows the selection committees sufficient time to review documentation, make final decisions, and announce the winning recipient’s name.

Winners will be announced/notified on July 14th.

**Award Presentations**

Awards are presented at the CreativeOhio Champion Awards Friday, October 20, 2023, at noon at The Lake Club, Poland, Ohio.

Awards will be commissioned original art pieces.

**Press Release**

Before the CO Champion Award, Luncheon, each awardee will receive a press release that they can forward to employers, local media, art departments, school administrators, etc.
The CreativeOhio Champion Award Nomination Form

Category: Business Advocate Champion

ABOUT THE NOMINEE:

Name of Nominee ______________________________________________________________

Mailing Address _______________________________________________________________

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Email _________________________________________________________________________

Telephone (___) _______________ _________________________________________________

Nominee's Work/Organization (if applicable) _________________________________________

Nominee's Title/Position (if applicable) ______________________________________________

INFORMATION ABOUT THE NOMINATOR:

Name of Nominator _____________________________________________________________

Mailing Address ________________________________________________________________

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Email _________________________________________________________________________

Telephone (___) __________________________________________________________________

Include with this form: ___ Letter(s) of Recommendation ___ Image/photo