

# PRIDE TORONTO HONOURED POSITIONS

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# HONOURED POSITION 2014 NOMINATIONS

Pride Toronto is soliciting nominations of local individuals and groups for the 2014 Honoured Positions, including Grand Marshal, Honoured Group, Honoured Dyke, Honoured Dyke Group, Honoured Trans Individual and Honoured Trans Group. Nominations must be received by March 21, 2014.

WorldPride 2014 Toronto (WP14TO), presented by Pride Toronto, will be an international celebration incorporating activism, education, and the history and culture of global LGBTTIQQ2SA\* communities. Highlighting Canada's continued progress in human rights, WP14TO also celebrates the diversity and dynamism of Toronto, one of the world's most progressive and liveable cities.

Toronto will be the first WorldPride celebration ever held in North America, and the 4th such festival in the world. WorldPride brings people together from around the world to honour our past, celebrate the present, and inspire a better future for LGBTTIQQ2SA communities everywhere.

The Pride Parade will take place on Sunday June 29 - the last day of the festival - led by the International Grand Marshal, Grand Marshal, and Honoured Group. The Honoured Dyke and Honoured Dyke Group lead the Dyke March. The awards will be given during the WorldPride 2014 Toronto launch reception.

Nominees should have contributed significantly to the LGBTTIQQ2SA community. Nominations must provide details and specific instances of nominees' contributions. The honoured positions' selection process is an opportunity for community involvement and engagement. Following the nomination process, the Board of Pride Toronto will consider the applications and select the honourees.

The awards will be given based on the nominees':

- History of work and biography of the nominee with respect to the LGBTTIQQ2SA communities
- Significant contribution and accomplishments to the public, private or non-profit sectors
- How the nominee embodies this year's Pride Toronto theme, which is "Rise Up"

**The nominee must be a resident of the Toronto Area.**

\*\*LGBTTIQQ2SA is an abbreviation used to represent a broad array of identities such as, but not limited to, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transsexual, transgender, intersex, queer, questioning, two-spirited, and allies.

# FAQ

## WHAT DO THEY DO?

The Grand Marshal, Honoured Dyke, Honoured Trans Individual and all the Honoured Groups act as community ambassadors throughout Toronto's Pride Week.

Acting as an ambassador will mean different things to different people. The Grand Marshal, Honoured Individuals and Honoured Groups may be asked to attend events, give speeches, play a role in Pride events and perform their role as ambassador in a number of ways.

## ARE THEY PAID?

The Grand Marshal, Honoured Dyke, Honoured Trans Individual and Honoured Groups titles are positions of honour and do not include payment or remuneration of any form.

Resources are allocated to each individual or group however specifically to assist in covering the cost of their participation in the Parade, Dyke March or Trans March.

# PRIDE TORONTO MISSION, VISION & VALUES

## MISSION

Pride Toronto exists to celebrate the history, courage, diversity and future of Toronto's LGBTTIQQ2SA communities.

## VISION

- Create a safe space to engage communities in the celebration of their sexuality.
- Coordinate a series of pre-eminent arts & cultural events that empower and support our communities.
- Connect with and help develop our communities, fostering essential partnerships.
- Capture and build upon our organization's and our communities' history.
- Provide a platform for education through a significant public presence.

## VALUES

- Honour – our past by remembering our history.
- Protect – our future by reaching out, educating and defending our right to celebrate.
- Value Diversity – by accepting and respecting differences and working to understand the diverse cultural complexities that influence identity, assumptions, behaviours, expectations, and beliefs.
- Celebrate – with provocative, racy, and outrageous events
- Engage – the diversity of our communities to participate in events and facilitate community development.
- Recognize – and acknowledge, the involvement and contributions of volunteers, staff and stakeholders.
- Respect – volunteers, staff and stakeholders by creating and sustaining an environment where we treat each other with respect and dignity.
- Sustain – the organization by ensuring transparency in our actions and accountability with, and to, our communities.
- Manage – with fiscal responsibility and foresight, ensuring the viability of the organization and the fulfillment of its mission.

# SUBMIT A NOMINATION

If you have read the information in this package and know of an individual or group you would like to nominate, follow these steps:

## 1. COMPLETE APPLICATION FORM

It's easy to complete an online application form on our website at:  
**[worldpridetoronto.com/nominations](http://worldpridetoronto.com/nominations)**

Hard copy nomination forms can also be supplied upon request. Please contact us at:  
**[outreach@pridetoronto.com](mailto:outreach@pridetoronto.com)**

You may nominate an individual for more than one category.

If available, please include articles, testimonials or letters that support the nomination and the work of the nominee.

## 2. RECEIVE CONFIRMATION

We will confirm receipt of your nomination. If we require any further information or your nomination is incomplete, we will follow-up with you.

Once we have ensured that your nomination is complete and confirm receipt with you, you will receive no further communication from us until a selection is made.

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