

# **BUDDIES QUEER EMERGING ARTIST AWARD**

The Buddies Queer Emerging Artist Award recognizes and encourages the achievements of queer artists who are founding careers in the theatre while engaging with the community. Award recipients will be chosen by a panel of adjudicators comprised of the current and former Artistic Directors of the company: Evalyn Parry, Brendan Healy, David Oiyee, Sarah Garton Stanley, and Sky Gilbert.

The recipient will receive a \$1,000 cash prize. This award will be announced at a public ceremony in June 2015 at Buddies in Bad Times Theatre.

## **NOMINATION DEADLINE**

The deadline for applications is April 29, 2016  
Nominations open on February 4, 2016

## **TO REQUEST A NOMINATION FORM**

[buddiesinbadtimes.com/queer-emerging-artist-award](http://buddiesinbadtimes.com/queer-emerging-artist-award)

## **GUIDELINES FOR ELIGIBILITY**

Recipients for this award must:

- Be nominated by an individual or group (nominators may not nominate more than one individual per year);
- Be involved in professional arts community and work as a professional artist in the theatre and/or performance communities;
- Be recognized as an emerging artist as evidenced by their body of work;\*
- Identify within the queer spectrum;\*\*
- Not have previously received this award.
- Posthumous nominations will not be accepted.

*\*Note: Buddies will use the Canada Council for the Arts criteria to distinguish between emerging and mid-career artists (e.g. up to ten years professional experience).*

*\*\*Note: For the purpose of this award, Buddies uses queer as a word to encompass the identities of people who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered, transsexual, two-spirited, or queer.*

## **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

- The nominee fully meets the eligibility criteria.
- The value and rigor of the nominee's body of work.
- The nominee demonstrates commitment to further developing their career.
- Evidence that the nominee's work enters into a conversation with broader ideas and aesthetics within queer culture.
- The impact of the nominee's work on the queer arts community.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS**

An individual, collective, or arts organization may nominate a candidate by filling out the appropriate forms and collecting/submitting support materials. Completed packages must be received by 5 pm on the deadline day. Packages can be mailed or hand delivered to the following address: Awards Committee, 12 Alexander Street, Toronto ON, M4Y 1B4.

Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

All applications will be forwarded to the attention of the Awards Committee.

## **APPLICATION FORMS AND MATERIALS:**

- Application checklist
- Nomination form
- Nominee acceptance form
- Letter(s) of support (maximum 5 pages)
- Letter of nomination
- Nominee's CV (maximum 2 pages)
- Nominee's Bio (maximum 100 words in length)
- Artist Statement from Nominee (maximum 2 pages)
- Optional self-addressed stamped envelope for the return of application packages
- Support material list with titles, venues, year of production, etc.
- Support material specific to nominee's discipline and labeled with the nominee's name:
  - Up to 10 digital images: JPG, files are to be numbered and sequenced
  - Up to 5 minutes of video recording: DVD, Mac compatible video file
  - Up to 5 pages of text: excerpt of writing (poetry, creative writing, original composition, script, etc.)

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Name of Nominee	
Street Address	
City	
Province	
Postal Code	
Telephone	
Email	

## NAME OF NOMINATOR

(for organizations, the registered name is required; the name listed here will be considered the only official nominator)

Contact Name	
Street Address	
City	
Province	
Postal Code	
Telephone	
Email	

# **BUDDIES QUEER EMERGING ARTIST AWARD ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATION**

(to be completed by the nominee)

Please complete this declaration to confirm the following statements below and indicate that you agree to submit the required support material.

As a nominee for the Buddies Queer Emerging Artist Award:

- I am a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada
- I understand and accept the conditions of the competition and award, as detailed in the nomination guidelines
- I agree to abide by the decision of the peer assessment committee

If I receive the award:

- I agree that all documentation submitted becomes the property of Buddies in Bad Times Theatre for use in publicity or promotion for the award.
- I agree to be available for a photo session in the weeks leading up to the awards ceremony and to co-operate in the preparation of promotional materials.
- I agree to the use of my photograph and public information on my professional practice or relevant activities for promotion of this award and in other Buddies in Bad Times Theatre promotional initiatives.
- I agree to participate fully in all award activities, including media conferences and interviews, ceremonies, receptions and other related events
- I agree to provide copyright permission for the use of reproductions or excerpts for all Awards publications, for presentation of the work on the Buddies in Bad Times Theatre's web site, and for media and promotional purposes.
- I AGREE TO KEEP THE RESULTS CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL THE DATE OF THE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT.

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Signature of Nominee

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Date

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Do not staple application

Do not use heavy or card stock paper