



INSPIRED WOMAN

W O M A N O F T H E Y E A R

The mission of Inspired Woman is to celebrate, encourage, empower, educate, entertain, and connect women. The women whose stories we share are selected because they embody these pillars of our mission. You are invited to nominate a woman who most fits our mission in the way she lives, leads, and makes an impact as an Inspired Woman.

The Inspired Woman of 2020 will be recognized for one or all of the following:

- Her spirit to honor and shine the spotlight on people around her (Celebrate)
- Her actions to help facilitate growth and engage others in learning opportunities about their health, careers, relationships, spiritual life, and the human experience in general (Encourage, Empower, Educate)
- Her flair to cheer and delight others (Entertain)
- Her ability to serve others and make an impact by building bridges between people and groups (Connect)

While one woman will receive this prestigious honor, 20 will be featured in a special publication of Inspired Woman, and six finalists will be selected to attend and share the spotlight at the Third Annual Inspired Woman retreat in Bismarck, North Dakota (date to be determined). The Inspired Woman of 2020 will be named at this time.

NOMINEE QUALIFICATIONS:

Women of all ages and walks of life qualify for this award. To nominate a woman for The Inspired Woman of 2020, please consider these other qualifications:

- Exemplifies the mission and the true characteristics of an inspired woman
- Resident of North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Montana, and Canada



NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS & GUIDELINES

To nominate someone for The Inspired Woman of 2020, submit an essay of 300 to 500 words. Please include the following in your essay:

- Describe why this woman deserves to be recognized as The Inspired Woman of 2020.
- Describe or share how this woman embodies the mission of Inspired Woman.
How does she celebrate, encourage, empower, educate, entertain, and/or connect?
- Please provide a specific example or stories that summarize in detail how the nominee would be the best choice for this award.
- Please provide a photo or photos of the nominee.
 - Photo credits and proof of permission (a signed copyright license agreement) **must be included** if photos are taken by a professional photographer.
 - Note: electronic copies are preferred.
- Please notify the nominee of your plans to submit her name for the award.
 - IW may contact the nominee for an on-camera interview and story.
 - The nominee may be invited to attend the retreat in Bismarck as a guest if she is selected as one of the six finalists.
- The nomination form and essay must be **postmarked or submitted by email no later than August 1, 2020.**

RIGHTS:

Inspired Woman, LLC reserves the right to change and edit any submission and to publish all, part, or none of a submitted essay. From the nominations, 20 will be selected for publication in a special fall issue of Inspired Woman magazine, which will coincide with the Third Annual Inspired Woman retreat. If selected, essays will be edited for grammar, form, and style.

Submission of an essay or photo does not guarantee it will be published. Inspired Woman magazine owns the first rights to published essays.

The Inspired Woman of the Year is not a pageant nor a contest based on the number of nominations; each nominee will be considered based on her qualifications; however, if your nominee is selected to be among the 20 whose stories are published, you are encouraged to share her story on social media. Her story will be in video format on the Inspired Woman YouTube Channel, Facebook page, Instagram, and at InspiredWomanOnline.com.

JUDGING:

A panel of five respected and astute individuals will serve as impartial judges representing a range of knowledge, expertise, and skills. The judges will review the 20 submissions selected for publication, and from those, select six finalists. During the Third Annual Inspired Woman Retreat, the finalists will share the stage during a live panel discussion. The event will conclude with the announcement of the Inspired Woman of 2020. Judges may also use discretion to select finalists for special awards and recognition.



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WOMAN OF THE YEAR

NOMINATION FORM

YOUR INFORMATION

NAME:

MAILING ADDRESS:

EMAIL:

PHONE:

NOMINEE INFORMATION

NAME:

OCCUPATION/TITLE:

COMPANY:

MAILING ADDRESS:

EMAIL:

PHONE:

REFERENCES:

Please list the names and phone numbers of two additional references for the nominee. If necessary, Inspired Woman may contact these individuals.

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