

Lori Niioiéren Jacobs Memorial Recognition Award Call for Nominations or Applicants

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(Kahnawake – 19, Onerahtókha/April 2018) Mohawk Online, K103-7 Radio, the Kahnawake Gaming Commission and the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke are pleased to announce a Call for Nominations or Applicants for the 2018 Lori Niioié:ren Jacobs Memorial Recognition Award.

The Award is presented annually to a member of the community who exemplifies the qualities of dedication, perseverance and volunteerism that contribute positively to the betterment of Kahnawà:ke. It was created to honor the late Lori Niioié:ren Jacobs – a strong, independent and remarkable Kanien'kehá:ka woman who was well-known for her involvement in numerous activities, causes, boards of directors, commissions and organizations, as well as her incredible work ethic. She volunteered and worked tirelessly throughout her life to make Kahnawà:ke a better place. This is the spirit in which the Award is intended.

The Award is accompanied by a \$1000 bursary. It will be presented to an individual who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to the community with his/her involvement in activities that were integral to Lori's life. The selection criteria are as follows:

- Nominee/applicant must be at least 18 years of age
- Must be an active and positive contributor in the community
- Should exemplify the qualities of dedication, perseverance and volunteerism
- Special consideration will be given to those who demonstrate the following:
- Participation on community-based boards, advisory groups or commissions
- Enrolled in adult/mature student education programs
- Enrolled in Kanien'kéha immersion programs (i.e. Ratiwannahní:rats)

A simple letter with some of the reasons for the nomination/application is all that is required. The nominator or applicant's name and contact information must also be included. Self-nominated applications must include a letter of reference. Nominees/applicants must be listed on the *Kanien'kehá:ka of Kahnawà:ke Registry* to be eligible.

Nominations/applications must be submitted by Friday, May 25, 2018 to letsénhaienhs Gina Deer (on behalf of the Selection Committee) at 450-632-7500 or by email at gina.deer@mck.ca.

Please note that the Selection Committee can, at its discretion, name a recipient outright in the absence of a suitable nominee or applicant.