



Submission cut-off

The cut-off date to submit a nomination for the Sixth Annual Steinert & Ferreiro Award is **October 11, 2011** via email or traditional mail.

Background

The Award was endowed through a bequest from the Estates of Jonathan R. Steinert and Fernando Gumerindo Ferreiro. The Community One Foundation (formerly the Lesbian and Gay Community Appeal) launched this award at its 25th Anniversary Celebration in 2005. The inaugural winners of the award were George Hislop and Beverly Bain. Other recipients include El-Farouk Khaki, Rev. Brent Hawkes, Rachel Epstein and Ruper Raj.

Eligibility

An individual who has made a significant contribution through the arts and sciences in promoting the understanding and acceptance of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered, transsexual, intersexed, queer and two-spirited communities in the Greater Toronto Area. The arts and sciences may include the humanities (literature, philosophy, etc.) the social sciences (law, psychology, politics, history, social work, community development, etc.) fine arts (music, theatre, film, etc.) and physical sciences (engineering, biology, medicine, etc.)

Unsuccessful nominations can be valid for the following year's award. Simply check the box at the bottom of the cover sheet to have the nomination considered for the Seventh Annual award.

The Award

An individual will be presented with a commemorative award and \$10,000 cash prize. The winner must agree to accept the award and willing to be publicly acknowledged for his/her contribution.

Award Announcement and Presentation

The Sixth Annual Steinert & Fernando Ferreiro Award will be conferred at an event to be held Saturday, October 29, 2011. **The nominee must sign indicating that he/she will be physically present for the granting event if selected for the award.**

Award Panel

The selection of the award winner will be the responsibility of an award panel named by the Board of Directors of the Foundation. The award panel will reflect the diversity of Toronto's lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered, transsexual, intersexed, queer and two-spirited communities. The Foundation Board and the Executors of the Steinert/Ferreiro Estate will pass final approval of the award winner.



Application Instructions

Nominate someone in 4 easy steps:

- STEP 1:** Complete cover page - found on the last page of this document
- STEP 2:** Write a 2-4 page letter outlining the individual's accomplishments and significant contributions to the LGBTTIQQ2S community with three people signing the letter
- STEP 3:** Gather letters supporting this application from 2-4 other individuals or organizations that are acquainted with this individual's work and contributions
- STEP 4:** Send the completed nomination submission by email or by traditional mail:

EMAIL: Attach all relevant documentation (ideally within one email) and email to sfaward@communityone.ca

MAIL: Place all of this information in an envelope and mail to
The Steinert and Ferreiro Award
Community One Foundation
P.O. Box 760, Stn F
Toronto, ON M4Y 2N6

All submissions must be postmarked no later than October 11th, 2011. For more information, please contact the Foundation at sfaward@communityone.ca.

Jonathan R. Steinert and Fernando Gumercindo Ferreiro

Fernando Gumercindo Ferreiro immigrated to Toronto from Santiago, Chile in 1973. He had earned his Masters Degree in Psychology while studying in Chile, and then earned his doctorate at the University of Toronto. Fernando then established his own private practice in Toronto.

While on vacation in San Francisco in 1985, he met Jonathan Steinert and the two very quickly fell in love. Jonathan relocated to Toronto and assisted Fernando with the administrative duties in his practice.

Jonathan was diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumor in 1990 and after a short period of time, succumbed to his illness.

While not persecuted for his homosexuality in Chile, Fernando felt a certain degree of discrimination in Canada and wished that an organization would promote individuals who, through either the arts or sciences, made a significant contribution to the understanding and acceptance of gays and lesbians in the community.

Fernando chose Toronto's Lesbian and Gay Community Appeal Foundation (now the Community One Foundation) as the organization to carry out his wishes.

Fernando quietly passed away from AIDS in Casey House on July 2, 1992