



**SPIRIT OF MINERVA ALUMNAE AWARDS
~ CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

**AWARDS TO BE HANDED OUT AT MINERVA'S 3rd ANNUAL ALUMNAE
EVENT ON MAY 24TH 2012**

Deadline for nominations: Monday March 19th 2012 4.30pm

The Minerva Foundation for BC Women's ***Spirit of Minerva Alumnae*** Awards will be handed out at the 3rd Minerva Alumnae Event on May 24th 2012 and will recognize five outstanding Minerva Alumnae in British Columbia.

- One Alumnae will be given an award for 'Overcoming the Odds'
- One Alumnae will be given an award for 'Excellence in Personal Growth'
- One Alumnae will be given an award for 'Making a Difference in Her Community'
- One Alumnae will be given an award for her excellence in 'Leadership'
- One Alumnae will be given an award for her excellence in the field of 'Mentoring/volunteerism'

Award Criteria

Through her participation on a Minerva program at any level, or having received an Education Award or Minerva Cares Award, she meets the attached award criteria. Through her participation as a volunteer/mentor on Minerva's programs, committees, etc, she meets the award criteria for the mentor/volunteer award.

Eligibility Criteria for Nominees

She must be a woman who has participated in a Minerva program either as a Minerva Helping Women Work™ protégée, a Learning to Lead™ leader, a Follow A Leader™ leader, a Combining Our Strength™ initiative participant, received a Minerva Cares Award or Minerva Education Award, or volunteered for Minerva.

How do I nominate someone?

Eligible Minerva Alumnae can either be nominated, or nominate themselves.

1. Ensure the nominee meets the eligibility criteria. **If the nominator is not the Minerva Alumnae then the nominator MUST get permission from the Minerva Alumnae to nominate them. The nominator should write the story with the help and permission of the nominee.**
2. Complete the attached nomination form.
3. Provide a statement of support outlining how the nominee fulfills each of the attached criteria for the award (maximum 750 words – double spaced). The nominator should focus on the facts, circumstances and activities and why it relates to the criteria category.
4. Include one letter of support for the nominee (1 page). Please note that the nominator cannot write the letter of support.
5. Submit to the office of The Minerva Foundation for BC Women by email, fax, or mail by Monday March 19th 4.30pm 2012.

Minerva Foundation for BC Women
Attn: Spirit of Minerva Selection Committee
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NOMINATION FORM

NOMINEE

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ Postal Code: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Business Phone: _____

Email: _____

Minerva program participated in/volunteer at: _____ Year: _____

Signature: _____

NOMINATOR

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ Postal Code: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Business Phone: _____

Email: _____

Position/Organization: _____

Signature: _____

AWARD CATEGORY *Check applicable box*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Overcoming the Odds | <input type="checkbox"/> Excellence in Personal Growth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Making a Difference in Her Community | <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mentoring/Volunteerism | |

AWARD CRITERIA

One award to be handed out in each category

1. Overcoming the Odds

Demonstration of an improvement in life circumstances in the face of adversity

2. Excellence in Personal Growth

Demonstration of the effective use of skills, contacts or aid obtained through participation in a Minerva program to fulfill personal, educational and/or career goals

3. Making a Difference in Her Community

Dedication to achieving political, business or social change in communities/organizations of their choice through volunteerism, or not, following your passion of dedication.

4. Leadership: Achievement of a high level of influence and/or responsibility, in business, politics or social endeavors while following a values based leadership model approach. Note that business includes Government and Professionals.

5. Mentoring/volunteerism: Dedication to women's leadership development through the recruitment and/or support of women as they take their first steps towards personal and financial empowerment through one of Minerva's programs. Dedication to supporting Minerva through her volunteer work on one of Minerva's programs, organizing committees, etc.