

Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, F. & A.M. Washington and Jurisdiction



Master Mason of the Year Nomination Criteria 2025- 2026

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- ♦ Any Master Mason (M/M) who is a member in good standing of a Lodge currently chartered by the MWPHGL F. & A.M. of Washington State and Jurisdiction and is performing in accordance with the Constitution, By-Laws, and Regulations of this Grand Lodge.
- ♦ The Master Mason MUST be nominated by the Worshipful Master of the Lodge which he is currently a member and who is in good standing.
- ♦ Nomination Packets must be received by the Annual Awards Committee. They may be hand delivered for date stamp or if sent by mail must be post marked no later than June 1, 2026. *All packages received or post marked after June 1, 2026, will NOT be considered for Award.*

NOMINATIONS:

- ♦ Each Worshipful Master may nominate ONE eligible Master Mason from his Lodge.
- ♦ **Nominations must completed using this year's new PDF fillable form application** that can be found on the Grand Lodge Website. Additional space is provided for in the form.
- ♦ The full name of the nominee and name and number of the nominee's Lodge must be included in the package (correct spelling is required).

SELECTION CRITERIA:

All responses to questions in the Nomination Application MUST be straightforward and written in plain language while addressing the questions as they appear.

Additionally, ALL areas listed below must be represented in the write-up as a part of the Application:

- ◆ Ritualistic Proficiency
- ◆ Support of Lodge programs
- ◆ Community involvement
- ◆ Self-Improvement
- ◆ Masonic knowledge
- ◆ Grand Secretary's verification of nominee's name on the Annual Report of the Lodge

APPLICATION PACKET SUBMITTAL CRITERIA:

- ◆ All packets must be completed using the PDF fillable form, in full, signed, and dated.
- ◆ Awards Application Packets may be hand-delivered in person to the Grand Senior Warden or the Grand Secretary BEFORE June 1, 2026.
- ◆ Awards Applications Packets may be mailed AND postmarked BEFORE June 1, 2026, to:

MWPHGL of WA & Jurisdiction
Annual Awards Committee Chairman
717 187th St E
Spanaway, WA 98387

- ◆ Award Packets submitted or post marked after the deadline date will NOT be considered for award.

In accordance with established criteria and guidelines, the Annual Awards Committee will have the sole jurisdiction over how the packets are reviewed and considered. The Committee will make recommendations to the Grand Master for final decision on the selected winner.

The nominees will be announced at the Annual Grand Session. The Master Mason of the Year will be announced during the Annual Awards Banquet.

NOTE: Falsification of any information is cause for immediate rejection of the application and removal of consideration for the Master Mason of the Year.

Thank you for your participation, support for your Master Masons, and best of luck to the nominees.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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