

Will Rogers Humanitarian Award

2017 NOMINATION FORM

A copy of this form must be attached to each entry. Type or print carefully. Include a check for

\$20, payable to the Will Rogers Writers Foundation, to cover administrative costs.

(Please read about this award at

www.columnists.com/awards/will-rogers-humanitarian-award and study the rules, below, before completing your submission.)

Columnist _____ Email _____

Newspaper _____ City _____ State _____

Nominated by

_____ Title _____

Address _____

Phone (day) _____ (eve/cell) _____ Email _____

Attach materials supporting the nomination.

_____ (Signature of Nominator)

Submit entries to NSNC, P.O. Box 1582, Madison, VA 22727.

Entries must be postmarked by March 31, 2017.

RULES

- Any salaried, staff, syndicated or regularly published newspaper columnist, investigative reporter or feature writer who is not a previous winner is eligible for the award.
- Nominations may be based on a body of work but the nominee must have written material that appeared in a daily or weekly newspaper in the U.S. or Canada during 2016 which related to his or her humanitarian activities.
- Nominations may be submitted by a newspaper editor, managing editor, executive editor, publisher or community leader and must be signed. A community leader's nomination must include a letter of support from the entrant's newspaper. Writers may not nominate themselves.
- If no qualifying entry is received, method of selection may be made by the program coordinator.
- There is no limit on how many columnists from the same newspaper may be nominated, but each nomination requires a separate entry.
- The winner will be notified by May 1, 2017. The award will be presented at the annual NSNC conference. The winner is expected to attend.

Entries will consist of the following:

- A description, in 250 words or fewer, of the work done by the nominee to merit the award.
- A statement of supporting reasons for the nomination.
- Representative examples of the writings on which the nomination is based. These must be in the form of

newspaper clips or photocopies. Website print-outs must show the date, writer and publication.

- Entry pages shall be no larger than 8 ½" by 11". Please do not use fancy, hard-back binders. Staple the pages inside a letter-size manila file folder, with the nominee's name and newspaper on front, and the

words, "Will Rogers Humanitarian Award Nomination."

- Entries will not be returned. Nominating materials may be reprinted in the NSNC newsletter, website or other media.

This award recognizes outstanding civic journalism. It is not a writing contest. The award carries no monetary prize, but a \$500 stipend is given to help defray the cost of attendance at the annual NSNC conference. The **National Society of Newspaper Columnists** sponsors the Will Rogers Humanitarian Award with support from the **Will Rogers Writers Foundation** and the **Will Rogers Memorial Commission**. For more about Will Rogers see www.willrogers.com. For more information, email Robert Haught at willrogersok@gmail.com. Read about past winners at www.columnists.com/awards/will-rogers-humanitarian-award/winners.