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## **GUIDELINES FOR THE IRC HALL OF FAME**

The IRC Hall of Fame Award recognizes significant contributions to reading or reading education. Awards are to be given only to the most deserving individuals, not to exceed two per year, according to the criteria stated below. The award may be given annually and will be presented at the IRC Conference.

Nomination forms are submitted to the Past President, and the Executive Committee will determine the recipient(s) no later than 60 days prior to the Annual Meeting. Recipient(s) will be invited to attend the Annual Conference.

The ILA State Coordinator shall maintain a list of possible recipients.

Criteria for the selection of members:

A person who:

1. is a native of Illinois or have been actively involved in work in reading in Illinois for a minimum of five years.
2. be well-known and respected by colleagues in the profession.
3. have held positions of responsibility in the field of reading.
4. have made meritorious contributions in professional activities (such as writing publications, research reports, speaking, organizing programs, helping teachers, and involvement in professional organizations) and has upheld the philosophy and principles of the ILA and the IRC.

A separate record shall be kept by the Recording Secretary noting membership in the IRC Hall of Fame. This record should include the name of the recipient as well as the year and place of the presentation. This record shall be passed on to each successive Recording Secretary as a historical document. The names of all recipients shall be included in the Annual Conference Program.

Those elected to the IRC Hall of Fame will be apprised of the activities of the Council and their names added to the mailing list.

**Nomination Form  
IRC Hall of Fame  
Due November 1st**

Name of Person Nominated \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

On an attached document, please explain why you feel this person should receive the IRC Hall of Fame Award. Your nomination should address each of the qualifications for the award. If you have questions, please contact the IRC Immediate Past President, whose contact information is listed below.

Name of Person Making Nomination \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Send the **Hall of Fame** Nomination Form to

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