



2011 general election

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FORM & CANDIDATE APPLICATION

Please use this form to suggest potential candidates for nomination to the offices listed below. The individuals you suggest will be considered by the Election Committee for inclusion on the 2011 slate for election to The Association of Wedding Professional's (AWP) leadership positions in 2012. All AWP members are entitled and encouraged to nominate AWP members; self nomination is eligible. AWP will verify the membership status of all proposed individuals to ensure that nominees are members in good standing prior to review by the Election Committee.

The AWP election process is critical to the success and growth of AWP. This is your opportunity to elect leaders that will enable AWP to reach its vision of being the Washington, DC metro area's thought and information leader in the wedding industry.

This year, AWP Members must elect the following Board Members to serve a two-year term; a **President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Program Chairperson, Sites Chairperson, and Membership Chairperson**. The election is open to all AWP regular and honorary members in good standing. All candidates for a given position must also meet the qualification criteria outlined in the Leadership Position Descriptions.

Voting for the 2011 elections will open in late September. Voting will be held online and all active AWP members are eligible to cast a ballot.

Please print or type all information. You may return the form to AWP in one of two ways:

1. **Email (preferred).** Email the completed form to elections@weddingprofessionals.org. Please use the subject line "Call for Nominations".

Emails must be received by Friday, August 24, 2011.

2. **Mail.** Mail the completed form to:
The Association of Wedding Professionals
Attention – Call for Nominations
Post Office Box 9963
Alexandria, VA 22304

Mailed forms must be postmarked by Friday, August 24, 2011.

3. **ALL AWP MEMBERS FILL OUT PAGE 2, NOMINATION FORM**
4. **If this is a self-nomination, please continue and fill out the candidate application form (pages 3 & 4)**

Candidate Eligibility

- Must be a Member in good standing and current 2011 Members in the Association plus attended four (4) or more meetings in current calendar year
- Can be a current Board Member and has not served on the Board for more than a total of ten (10) years
- Must be of good standing within the wedding industry abiding by a high standard of ethics and morals, and have not displayed any professional misconduct within the wedding industry
- Must be current within their business and hold a current business license within the wedding industry (large corporations/entities can also submit a W-9 form as verification)
- Completion of Candidacy Application Form
- Nominees are expected to renew their membership with the Association by the end of the current calendar year
- Candidate must adhere to all deadlines; failure to do so may result in elimination of the candidate from the ballot or election process
- Candidate is aware that acknowledging interest in a Board position requires a two (2) year commitment and no terms of payment are involved for their services on the Board
- **Self nomination is eligible if candidate has met the above criteria**

NOMINATION FORM
(to be completed by ALL Members)

PRESIDENT-ELECT

Candidate Name	Business Name	Phone	Email

VICE-PRESIDENT-ELECT

Candidate Name	Business Name	Phone	Email

TREASURER – ELECT

Candidate Name	Business Name	Phone	Email

SECRETARY-ELECT

Candidate Name	Business Name	Phone	Email

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR-ELECT

Candidate Name	Business Name	Phone	Email

PROGRAM CHAIR – ELECT

Candidate Name	Business Name	Phone	Email

SITE CHAIR-ELECT

Candidate Name	Business Name	Phone	Email

Name of Submitter (optional):	
Email Address:	
Phone:	

Note: The name of the submitter will not be shared with the nominee. AWP staff will contact the submitter only if the nominee is unable to be reached at the

numbers/address provided and more information is needed.



2011 CANDIDATE APPLICATION FORM
(to be completed by the Candidate ONLY)

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name:	
Business Name:	
Type of Business:	
Business Address:	
Email Address:	
Phone:	
Years in Business:	

PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION:

Years of AWP Membership:	
Prior Offices Held with AWP:	
Offices Held with other Industry Organizations:	
Please provide a brief description of your experience as a professional in the wedding industry:	

AWP BOARD POSITION SEEKING:

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Is this a SELF-NOMINATION? YES OR NO

Have you been a Member of AWP for one (1) full calendar year? YES OR NO



2011 CANDIDATE APPLICATION FORM...continued
(to be completed by the Candidate ONLY)

OBJECTIVE STATEMENT:

Please provide a brief description of your objectives for your term of office as they relate to AWP's mission and what unique characteristics you possess that make you qualified to help lead this organization (250 words or less). This statement may not contain any language that is defamatory to AWP or any of its members, or any information that is false, fraudulent or misleading. AWP reserves the right to withhold from publication or distribution any statements that do not meet these criteria.

REMEMBER:

- Candidate must attach a copy of his/her business license along with application
- Candidate must submit his/her profile picture

NOMINEE'S CERTIFICATION:

I certify that all of the foregoing information is true, to the best of my knowledge. If elected, I agree to commit the necessary time to fulfill the duties of my office.

Signature

Date