



*You are cordially invited
to nominate your favorite
Elder or Teacher
for a*



“Honoring Our Heroes” Language Award

*“Honoring Our Heroes”
Procession and Recognition Ceremony*

**Thursday, March 7, 2024
Pend Oreille Pavilion
Northern Quest Resort & Casino**

as part of the
***2024 Celebrating Salish
Language Conference***

Nomination deadline is:

February 14, 2024

Letter, photo, and all documents must be submitted

“Honoring Our Heroes” Language Award



The organizers of the *2024 Celebrating Salish Conference* are accepting nominations from community members who would like to recognize the Elders and teachers in their communities who have worked to ensure the survival of our Salish languages. Only through the dedication of our Elders and teachers have our languages survived to the present day. We need to recognize and thank all those, past and present, who have worked to sustain our Salish languages so that they can be passed on to our future generations.



On Thursday, March 7, 2024, at the *2024 Celebrating Salish Conference*, we will recognize the nominated “*Language Heroes*” and ask them and their nominator to join a *Procession of Heroes*. If your hero has already passed away, we will ask you to submit a photo that can be printed and carried in the *Procession of Heroes*.



In order to nominate your “*Language Hero*”, please fill out the “*Honoring Our Heroes*” *Language Award* nomination form and mail or email it before February 14, 2024. Nominators may submit only one form, nominate only one Hero, **and be available to accompany them during the ceremony.** **Language Heroes who were honored the previous years are not eligible for nomination in 2024.** If you do not plan to register for the *Celebrating Salish Conference*, you may still nominate a hero and attend the *Procession of Heroes* on March 7, 2024 at the Northern Quest Resort in the Pend Oreille Pavilion.

Conference Information:

<http://kalispeltribe.com/our-tribe/language/celebrating-salish-conference>

***“Honoring Our Heroes”
Language Award Nomination Form***

Nominator Contact Information:

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| Name: _____ | Do you plan to attend the <i>2024 Celebrating Salish Conference</i> ? _____ yes _____ no |
| Organization: _____ | |
| Address: _____ | Can you provide a digital photo of your hero via email? _____ yes _____ no |
| City, State, Zip: _____ | |
| Email: _____ | Phone: _____ |

“Language Hero” Contact Information:

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| Name: _____ | Dialect Spoken: _____ |
| Indian Name: _____ (please check spelling carefully) | |
| Organization: _____ | Phone: _____ |
| Address: _____ | |
| City, State, Zip: _____ | Email: _____ |
| Special Assistance needed?? | |

In 125 words or less, please tell us why the person you are nominating is your Language Hero:

Mail or email this form by February 14, 2024 to:

Shelly Boyd, PO Box 306, Inchelium, WA 99138
ndnboyd@gmail.com or call 509-722-3907 or 509-936-1824 (cell)