

**LIVING TREASURES OF HAWAII'I™**  
**HONPA HONGWANJI MISSION OF HAWAII**  
**1727 Pali Highway**  
**Honolulu, Hawaii 96813**

**HISTORY**

The Living Treasures of Hawai'i™, established in 1976, drew its inspiration from the Living National Treasures (Ningen Kokuho) of Japan. Paul Yamanaka, a local insurance executive, felt there were many people in Hawaii who deserved similar recognition for their contributions to the preservation and perpetuation of the island's distinctive cultural and artistic heritage. He approached, then Bishop Yoshiaki Fujitani who instituted the program within the Hongwanji. Today, this recognition has been expanded to include contributions by individuals in all areas of endeavor.

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Living Treasures of Hawai'i™ is to recognize and honor individuals who have demonstrated excellence and high standards of achievement in their particular field(s) of endeavor, and through their continuous growth, learning and sharing, have made significant contributions towards enriching our society.

**CRITERIA FOR SELECTION**

1. Demonstrates continuous growth and learning in one's area of strength.
2. Shares consistently one's knowledge and understanding with others in particular field(s) of endeavor.
3. Makes significant contributions towards enhancing society resulting in a more harmonious and compassionate society for all.

**NOMINATION PROCEDURE**

An organization or person may nominate a candidate for this recognition by submitting the following:

1. Nomination form with information on the nominee.
2. Letters of recommendation (maximum of three).

The nomination form is available at the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii Headquarters Office located at 1727 Pali Highway, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 or on our website [www.hongwanjihawaii.com](http://www.hongwanjihawaii.com). Completed nominations may be submitted in the following manner:

- By mail.
- By fax – (808) 522-9209.
- By email – [admin@honpahi.org](mailto:admin@honpahi.org)
- Dropped off during office hours.

The completed nomination (nomination form and letters of recommendation) must be received by the Living Treasures Committee no later than close of business on **September 1<sup>st</sup>**. (If September 1<sup>st</sup> falls on a Sunday, then by close of business the next business day.) Any nomination received after September 1<sup>st</sup> will be considered for the following year. Presentation is made in February of the following year. For additional information, please call our office at (808) 522-9200.

**NOMINATION OF CANDIDATE FOR  
LIVING TREASURES OF HAWAII™**

**NOMINEE:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
                    **Suffix**                    **First**                    **Middle**                    **Last**

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Birthplace:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT PERSON OR ORGANIZATION:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide answers to the following questions (using a 12-point font), limiting your response to one (1) page for each question.**

**INFORMATION ON NOMINEE:**

1. Significant activities participated in during the last five years.
2. Significant contributions made in field of expertise.
3. Personal accomplishments and achievements.
4. Professional accomplishments and achievements.

**SPONSOR'S COMMENTS:**

Explain why you feel this nominee should be recognized.

*Headquarters use only: Date Received* \_\_\_\_\_