



## Bonefish & Tarpon Trust Circle of Honor Nomination Form

The Circle of Honor will recognize those who have distinguished themselves in flats-related science, conservation, education, advocacy, leadership/volunteerism, or communications/outreach. The Circle of Honor Committee will select one living legend and up to two posthumous inductees each year.

Nominations for the Circle of Honor are accepted from January 1 – March 15 for the following year's honorees. Honorees are inducted into the Circle of Honor annually at the annual Florida Keys Dinner in January. To be considered for the next class of inductees, the form and supporting documents must be signed and received at the BTT office on or before March 15th. Nomination forms received after March 15th will be placed in our file for consideration in the year following the next BTT Islamorada event (two January's out).

The Circle of Honor Committee meets in the spring annually to review all nominations and to select the new class of inductees for the upcoming year. The recipients will be announced at the annual Tarbone Dinner.

Supporting material such as news clippings, articles, photographs, letters of support and other relevant material are welcomed and will be retained as a permanent donation to BTT. If you are in doubt regarding certain information about the nominee, please state, "best known, unknown or not applicable."

All nominations are kept on file permanently. It is not necessary to formally re-nominate an individual if they are not selected during a present year selection. However, it is recommended that you resubmit any new information regarding the nominee you feel will be important in the review process (example: updated contact information, new accomplishments, etc.).

When nominating an inductee for the Circle of Honor, please keep in mind the following criteria:

**The Guide/Angler Honor** is presented to an accomplished angler or guide who has demonstrated commitment to the BTT mission and assisted in BTT science and conservation efforts. The honoree will receive a **Circle of Honor** award noting BTT's appreciation of their service and accomplishments and the year of their induction.

**The Flats Stewardship Award** is presented to a scientist, angler or conservationist who has made significant contributions to the stewardship of flats species and habitats.

**The Curt Gowdy Memorial Media Award** is presented to individuals who advance the cause of conservation through media and outreach to others.

**The Lefty Kreh Award** is presented to an individual who has demonstrated an enduring commitment to the conservation of bonefish, tarpon and permit – the species, their habitats and the larger fisheries they comprise – through leadership, innovation, education, advocacy and support.

#### **REQUIRED NOMINATION PROCEDURE**

1. A completed Nomination Form (must be received by March 15 for consideration as an honoree for the following January's event). All information remains confidential in our files.
2. Letters of Nomination/Recommendation (submit at least two letters).
3. A detailed biography, including career/lifetime contributions and accomplishments in conservation, education, advocacy, volunteerism, awards, honors, publications, photography, personal anecdotes, nominee's hobbies, interests as well as family, angling or guiding background.
4. Provide any historical documentation/background information available. Describe the role of Nominee in events.
5. A minimum of two and maximum of twelve photographs (black & white or color -- 4x6 or larger) must be submitted for the Committee's reference and for potential use or display at future induction ceremonies.

Do not send posters or large objects.

Additional sheets of paper may be used for more information. Please limit sheets to 2 pages.

Mail your nomination form with support documentation to: **Bonefish & Tarpon Trust, Circle of Honor Committee, 2937 SW 27<sup>th</sup> Ave, Suite 203, Miam, FL 33133.**

Questions regarding the nomination process should be directed to Scott Lones, Director of Operations and Administration, at 786-618-9479 or email: [scott@bonefishtarpontrust.org](mailto:scott@bonefishtarpontrust.org).

Incomplete nomination packet (form & support material as listed above) will not be forwarded to Selection Committee for consideration.



## Nomination Form

### Bonefish & Tarpon Trust Circle of Honor

#### NOMINEE INFORMATION

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Street

City

State

Zip

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Which is the best way to contact this person or their representative? \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Death (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Children's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

BTT Member \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No Number of years: \_\_\_\_\_

Past and Present Club Memberships: \_\_\_\_\_

#### NOMINATED BY

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Street

City

State

Zip

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Is the nominee aware of your nomination? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



**Award Category (select one)**

The Guide Angler of the Year \_\_\_\_\_

The Flats Stewardship Award \_\_\_\_\_

The Curt Gowdy Memorial Media Award \_\_\_\_\_

The Lefty Kreh Award \_\_\_\_\_

Supported the BTT Mission by \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Participated in the following Science and Conservation efforts \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If nominated for the Curt Gowdy Award, participated in the following media outreach efforts \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Guiding/Angling background and contributions to flats fishing \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

How has this person shown commitment to the conservation efforts of bonefish, tarpon and/or permit?  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
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Why do you believe this person should be in the BTT Circle of Honor? Use additional sheets if needed.  
(300 words or less) \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mail to: **Bonefish & Tarpon Trust**  
**Circle of Honor Selection Committee**  
2937 SW 27th Avenue  
Suite 203  
Miami, FL 33133