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Honorary Life Memberships

From time to time Shuswap Theatre has honoured members who have made an outstanding contribution to Shuswap Theatre over many years by gifting them with an *honorary life membership*. These awards have been and are intended to be a rare occurrence. This policy describes the procedure and criteria for awarding such memberships.

Criteria

To be nominated for a Life Membership, an individual should:

1. have been a member of Shuswap Theatre for a significant length of time,
2. have shown dedication and passion for the mission of Shuswap Theatre, and
3. have made an outstanding, cumulative contribution to the health, mission and success of Shuswap Theatre.

An *honorary life membership* is not to be used for other purposes, such as, recognizing a generous financial contribution, nor should it be used as an incentive for other kinds of contributions.

Procedure

1. Any member of Shuswap Theatre may *nominate* another person for an *honorary life membership* by submitting a letter to the Board outlining the reasons for the nomination.
2. The Board will consider the request and make a decision. Such discussion will not take place in the presence of the nominated person.
3. If the decision is to proceed with the award, the Board will normally arrange for an appropriate ceremony of appreciation at the next appropriate General Meeting of the Society, or such other provision as seems appropriate and in keeping with the wishes of the member being honoured.

An honorary life member is not required to pay membership dues each year in order to remain on the membership roll.