2015 Champions of Inclusion Award Nomination Form
Award to be presented March 20th, 2015

The NBACL Vision
“Full participation of persons with an intellectual disability in an inclusive society.”

The Champions of Inclusion Awards

While many New Brunswickers share the values of inclusion for all, it was not always so. It took strong leadership at many levels - from community members, government leaders, policy makers, employers and families themselves - to push for a society where every citizen, from our youngest to our aging population is included and participating in home life, community life, school life and employment. NBACL wants to recognize those who have lead and continue to lead the Community Living Movement with a Champions of Inclusion Award. This is NBACL’s premier award, presented bi-annually to an individual or a group who has made an outstanding contribution to the lives of children and adults with an intellectual disability and their families.

New Brunswick is the birthplace of the principal author of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, John Peters Humphrey, who wrote the first draft of what would become the most important human rights document in history. The Community Living movement is perhaps, one of the most important social movements of our time. Through this movement, we work to ensure that all citizens, including children and adults with an intellectual disability live, learn, work, participate and contribute in every aspect of community life. New Brunswick has been a beacon to other countries and jurisdictions around inclusive values and principals. We know there are people who have made an outstanding contribution to the Community Living Movement and we want to pay them recognition by presenting them with a Champion of Inclusion Award.

Who Will Attend
Leaders in the Community Living Movement, government leaders, professionals, families, community advocates, supporters of NBACL and our remarkable keynote speaker, Sally Armstrong will be attending the Champions of Inclusion Awards Gala.

Who We Are
The New Brunswick Association for Community Living is a charitable, non-profit organization which works with and on behalf of children and adults with an intellectual disability and their families. Established in 1957, NBACL works to ensure that persons with an intellectual disability and their families can live, learn, work, participate and contribute as valued members in every aspect of community life. NBACL has 12 local associations throughout New Brunswick. We provide supports in both official languages, throughout every region of the province.

Who We Support
NBACL supports children and adults with an intellectual disability and their families, throughout the lifespan. It is estimated that more than 22,000 New Brunswickers have an intellectual disability. NBACL receives roughly 200 calls per month for supports. From early learning and childcare to supporting senior families, we are there for people throughout each stage of their journey.

There will be a minimum of one Francophone certificate and a minimum of one Anglophone certificate awarded. Judging will be done by a panel from nominations received by Monday, February 20th, 2015, 5:00 pm.
Criteria and Conditions of Participation

The recipient shall have made a significant and distinct contribution in the inclusion and full participation of children and/or adults with an intellectual disability in community life in such areas as: employment, recreation, faith groups, community groups, organizations and in any other aspect of the community. The nominee will also have promoted high standards and public awareness of inclusion for all.

Supporting Documentation

- Newspaper clippings, awards and photographs should accompany this nomination.
- Brief biographical data both personal and professional (if applicable).
- List of contributions and accomplishments to the Community Living movement.
- Other pertinent information.
- Documentation must also include the provided nomination form.
- Two letters of reference must be also be provided.

Please complete the nomination form together with an information sheet that fully describes the contributions of the nominee keeping in mind the above selection criteria.

Who is eligible:
- Individuals of all ages
- Groups
- Professionals
- Public servants (ie social worker, practitioner)

Please note: Current NBACL staff members are not eligible for this award.

Inclusion- Inclusion means everyone has the opportunity to contribute and participate as valued citizens in every aspect of community life. It means that all people, including children and adults with an intellectual disability, have the choices and supports necessary to live a meaningful life and to live, learn work and contribute within the communities in which we live.
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Nominee(s): ___________________________
Name of Nominee: ____________________
Address: ____________________________________________
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Telephone: Work: ___________________ Home: ______________
Email: ______________________________

Nominator’s name: _______________________
Relationship to nominee(s): ____________________
Address: _______________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________
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____________________________________________________________________________
Telephone: _____________________________
Work: ___________________ Home: ______________ Email: __________________________

Supporting reference #1: __________________________
Telephone: _____________________________
Email: ________________________________

Supporting reference #2: __________________________
Telephone: _____________________________
Email: ________________________________

Please attach 2 letters of reference.

Signature of Nominator ___________________________ Date ____________________________

* Nomination forms must be received by NBACL no later than Friday, February 20th, 2015, 5:00 pm
Required information

In detail, please explain in the provided lines the reasons why you believe the nominee is deserving of this award. Please refer to the examples below and choose the statements that apply to better describe your reasons. Be sure to give concrete examples of how the nominee is inclusive.

You must also provide two supporting letters of reference and any other additional information that you may choose to include. You may add a page if necessary.

- Accepts and includes all people, unconditionally as valued member of their community.
- Views all people as valued and contributing citizens.
- Demonstrates strong leadership for inclusion.
- Has demonstrated community leadership for an inclusive society through their work or through their daily lives.
- Treats everyone with dignity and respect.
- Has gone above and beyond to help change lives and communities for persons with an intellectual disability.