

# *Gentle Warrior Awards*

Dear Friend of Labor, History and Culture,

On February 20, 2026, the National A. Philip Randolph Pullman Porter Museum (NAPRPPM) will celebrate its 31st founding anniversary and will host the 2026 A. Philip Randolph "Gentle Warrior Awards" Gala. This is our annual primary fundraiser, which will be held at Wintrust Grand Banking Hall 231 S. LaSalle, Chicago, Illinois, from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

**We excitedly invite you to join us for this fantastic celebration as the labor community recognizes some of their very own. The honorees include James Connolly, Chicago Laborers District Council, Juan Campos, Secretary Treasurer International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 705, Keith Richardson, General President American Postal Workers Local 1, and Ephrin Jenkins, Founder and President of The Black Labor Week Project, Inc.**

These aforementioned recipients have not only invoked change but manifested impact throughout their community involvement, political savvy, passion for advocacy and other areas of influence—leading by example.

A Philip Randolph organized the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, the first Black labor union in America chartered under the American Federation of Labor (AFL). Randolph was one of America's foremost labor and civil rights leaders, who became known as the "Gentle Warrior." The Award is presented in three categories: The Gentle Warrior, The Change Agent and the Descendant of Distinction. Recipients are individuals who exhibit the similar commitment, focus, and tenacity that Randolph displayed throughout his career.

**Additional award recipients include individuals from the broader community, business and political sectors. Among the honorees are Larita Clark, CEO of Metropolitan Pier Exposition Authority (MPEA), Kimberly Du Buclet, Illinois State Representative, 5th District, Dr. Kisha McCaskill, Commissioner Cook County 5th District, Tracy Murray, Descendant of Distinction Great-grand Niece of Pullman Porters, Chief -of-Staff, 9th-Ward-Ald. Anthony Beale, and another first, an honoree couple—Spencer Senior and Henrietta Leak, of Leak and Sons Funeral Home Enterprises.**

The NAPRPP Museum a 501(c)3, a cultural institution located in the Pullman National Historical Park District, designated by President Barack Obama in 2015. Founded in 1995, the NAPRPPM is the only museum of its kind worldwide. The museum is a public, independently operated Black labor history museum—that promotes critical lessons that cross age, class, color, and gender boundaries, carrying messages critical to our society.

A successful "Gentle Warrior Awards" event plays a significant role in funding our operational budget and enables us to continue our vital work! The promise of the 2026 fundraising event holds significant meaning providing a vehicle for the labor community to demonstrate appreciation for its members, pay homage to its legacy and generates funds for museum's expansion project.

Please find attached our sponsorship package for the event. We ask you to be as generous as you possibly can. Your support will contribute to the extra push that is needed to ignite the Pullman community with the A. Philip Randolph's Way, Tourism District. We thank you in advance for your consideration and support.

In Solidarity,



Dr. Lyn Hughes  
Founder/ CEO



Dr. David A. Peterson Jr.  
President/Executive Director

## **BENEFIT COMMITTEE**

**Dr. Lyn Hughes, Founder NAPRPPM, Dr. David Peterson, Pres, NAPRPPM, Don Villar, Sec/Treasurer CFL, Sandra Robinson, Retired INA, Darren Byrd, IBEW 134, Jonathan Jones, Mid-America Carpenter's Regional Council**

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## **PRESENTING SPONSOR**

**\$20,000**

Sponsor will be highlighted in all Advertising-Present the Event with Museum leadership on All Radio TV and Printed Media Coverage, And Name Will be Printed on Step and Repeat Backdrop at Red Carpet Entrance

- **Category exclusivity**
- Name printed on all materials and sponsors name will be included in all paid advertising if utilized
- Prime Placement full Page ad in Program Book as Sponsor
- Premium tables reserved for 20 guests
- VIP bag(s)
- Speaking opportunity at the event
- One year membership with A.P. Randolph Pullman Porter Museum
- Logo placement on electronic and hard copy invitations

## **PLATINUM SPONSOR: \$10,000**

- **Category exclusivity**
- Name printed on all materials and sponsors name will be included in all paid advertising if utilized
- Prime Placement full Page ad in Program Book as a Co-Sponsor
- Premium table reserved for 10 guests
- VIP bag(s)
- One year membership with A.P. Randolph Pullman Porter Museum
- Logo placement on electronic and hard copy invitations

## **GOLD SPONSOR: \$7,000**

- Special Placement full Page ad in Program Book as a Corporate Sponsor
- Reserved table for 10 guests
- 10% off all Gift Shop items
- Exclusive museum memento
- Acknowledgment during awards ceremony
- One year membership with A.P. Randolph Pullman Porter Museum

## **SILVER SPONSOR: \$5,000**

- Special Placement full Page ad in Program Book
- Reserved table for 10 guest
- Exclusive museum memento
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## **BRONZE SPONSOR: \$3,000**

- Half Page ad in Program Book
- Reserved table for 10 guests
- Exclusive museum memento





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## *The 2026*

### *Sponsorship Opportunities*

*Support our program by underwriting or becoming a Sponsor*

Company \_\_\_\_\_

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

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ **Individual Tickets \$250.00**

**Make Checks Payable To:**  
**A Philip Randolph Pullman Porter Museum**  
**Mail to: P.O BOX 6276, Chicago, IL 60680-6276**

**Credit Card Payment Choose one: Visa \_\_\_\_\_ Master \_\_\_\_\_ Name on card \_\_\_\_\_**

**Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_**

**Signature (required) \_\_\_\_\_**

#### **SELECT SPONSORSHIP LEVELS**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <b>PRESENTING SPONSOR LEVEL</b> | <b>\$20,000</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <b>PLATINUM SPONSOR LEVEL</b>   | <b>\$10,000</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <b>GOLD SPONSOR LEVEL</b>       | <b>\$ 7,000</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <b>SILVER LEVEL</b>             | <b>\$5,000</b>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <b>BRONZE SPONSOR LEVEL</b>     | <b>\$3,000</b>  |

**Corporate Sponsorship at any level will provide Corporate Advertisement on Entrance Easel**

**Pay Using A Credit Card via Our Secured Website (Coming Soon)**

**Gentle Warrior Awards Sponsorship Payments**

**All advertising must be received by February 10, 2026**

**All ads must be Camera Ready Only**





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**2026 Gentle Warrior Awards**  
**February 20, 2026**

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## **REGISTRATION & AD BOOK FORM**

Please check the appropriate boxes indicating your level of participation

### **Rates for Congratulatory Ads**

<input type="checkbox"/> Inside Front Cover Color	7X10 Color	\$1000.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Inside Back Cover Color	7X10 Color	\$1000.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Page	7X10	\$500.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Half Page	7.5X4.75	\$300.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/4 Page	3.5x4.75	\$200.00

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**A Philip Randolph Pullman Porter Museum or**  
**Use A Credit Card For Payment - Choose One**

Visa Master Card \_\_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature Required \_\_\_\_\_

Mail To: A Philip Randolph Pullman Porter Museum  
P.O BOX 6276, Chicago, IL 60680-6276

**Pay by credit card via our secure link - Coming Soon**

### **Ad book Deadlines**

**All advertising must be received by February 10, 2026.**

**Email Ads to [info@aprgentlewarriorawards.com](mailto:info@aprgentlewarriorawards.com)**

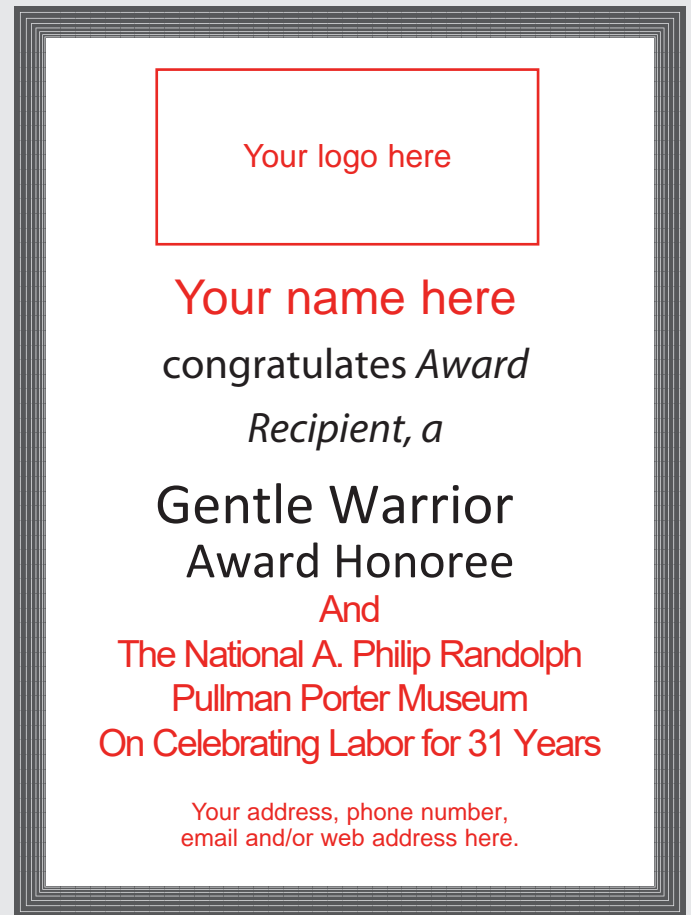
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# Ad Templates

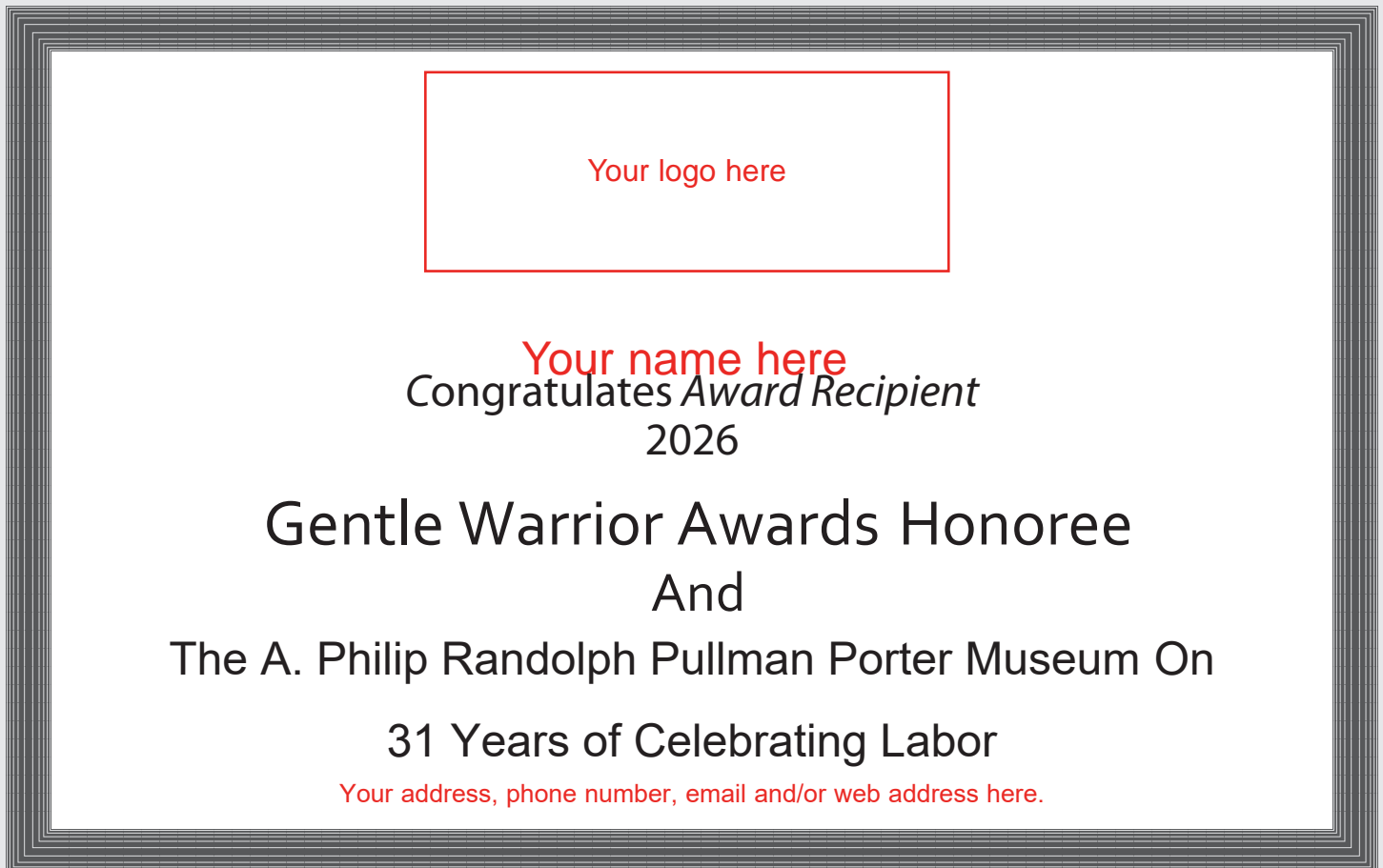
If you prefer, you can use our template for a 1/2-page ad or a 1/4-page ad. Simply provide your logo, if you have one, in one of the following formats:

1. 300-resolution minimum tif or jpeg; or
2. Illustrator CS4 (or earlier version) eps file; or
3. Press-setting pdf; or
4. High-quality print to scan

along with name and contact information.



1/4-page ad template: 3.5" wide x 4.75" high



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