



# International Indigenous Arts & Fashion Awards 2025

Thank you for your interest in nominating an Indigenous artist for  
The 3<sup>rd</sup> International Indigenous Arts & Fashion Awards.

## Submission requirements & criteria:

- Must be of Indigenous heritage (Inuit, First Nations [status & non-status], Metis, Native American).
- Be an Indigenous person from the Americas (North, Central, South), Asia, Polynesia, Africa, etc...
- Designer's label and Name, 6 photos from designers' last two seasons (for designers and accessories designers).
- models, hair & make-up artists, and entertainers: please submit 6 photos of your past work.
- Biography that includes a brief history of nominee's career (relating to the category you are being nominated for or for whom you are nominating).
- Nominees achievements in 2023/2024. Please send links to any news articles, highlights, or websites you would like to share.
- 2 letters of support (1 professional, 1 personal)

## Prizes:

- All winners will be profiled on [www.indigenousfashionweek.ca](http://www.indigenousfashionweek.ca)
- Exclusive rights to use International Indigenous Arts & Fashion Award 2025 logo and brand for promotional purposes for their business or organization
- An engraved award

**Designer of the Year Award**- a free showcase in Paris Indigenous Fashion Week March 2026 (designer fee only. Travel and accommodation will not be provided). Photoshoot at a preselected area in Paris (Prize package worth over \$6,000). \*\*This is for the category Designer of the Year ONLY and does NOT include accessories, sustainable, or international designer category\*\* Cannot be traded for monetary value.

**Model of the Year Award**- will walk in Paris Indigenous Fashion Week March 2026. A photoshoot at a preselected area in Paris (prize package worth \$1500). Winner could be the "face" of selected IIAFA & IIFW 2026 campaigns. Travel and accommodation will not be provided. Cannot be traded for monetary value.

**Make-up & Hair artists**-will work alongside our Lead hair & makeup artists for Paris Indigenous Fashion Week March 2026. Travel and accommodation will not be provided. Cannot be traded for monetary value.

Nominees will be selected by a panel of judges and will be included on our website  
We will announce the winners during the awards gala on Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

*\*\*\*Please note that nominations on behalf of the deceased will not be accepted. Jurors are ineligible for nomination, nor may they submit nominations or support letters.*

**Deadline to apply or nominate is September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.**



Disclaimer\*\* IIFW reserve the right of final approval of all nominations\*\*\*

The purpose of this showcase is to further enhance, lift and celebrate and advance indigenous culture with a positive light. With such, IIFW expects all nominees, that through their work are positive role models for their community. IIFW and affiliates maintain permission or reserve the right worldwide in perpetuity, and you hereby waive any claims you may have based on any usage of the photographs or works derived therefrom, including but not limited to claims for either invasion of privacy or libel.

Nominees can not be immediate family members of IIFW, FSI, or AMA Imagery producers. We will accept self-nominations.

**1. Designer of the Year** – Must have a MINIMUM of 5 years designing and created a new clothing line in the past 2 years. Designer must make the clothing by hand or sewing machine.

**2. Accessories Designer of the Year**- Must have created a new accessories line in the past 2 years.

**3. Emerging Designer of the Year**- Can be a student. Must be new to designing (5 years or less).

**4. Sustainable Fashion**- Must provide proof of materials used in your clothing or accessories line.

**5. International Indigenous Designer of the Year**- Must have shown in fashion shows outside of their respective country and have created a line in the past 2 years.

**6. Model of the Year**- Must have had PAID work in the past 2 years (please provide a CV).

**7. Entertainer of the Year**- Must have worked in the past 2 years (please provide a CV or posters of the events you were performing in).

**8. Fashion Influencer**- Do you always turn heads with your amazing fashion sense? Got a closet full of Indigenous fashion? Then this category is for you! Can be a YouTube, IG, or TikTok star, do make up or hair, or even comedy. How ever you feel you “influence” your followers you’re welcome to submit a nomination. Please provide a link to all your social media pages. Submit 5 hi res photos and a short letter (250 words or less) of why you think you would be a good fit to be the Fashion Influencer 2025 winner.

**9. Ready-To-Wear/Graphic Designer of the Year**- An original created fabric and design.

**10. Lifetime Achievement, Designer**- Someone who has been designing for 25+ years.

**11. Makeup Artist of the Year**- Must have had PAID work in the past 2 years. Please submit a CV.

**12. Hair Stylist of the Year**- Must have PAID work in the past 2 years. Please submit a CV.

**13. Woman on the HERizon (4 will be awarded)**- This category is for 4 women who has been doing great things in their communities but did not win an award. It can be someone who has volunteered or made a positive impact in their community.



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## Nomination Form

### Nominee's information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ Prov/St: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ph: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Band/Tribe/Settlement: \_\_\_\_\_

### Nominator's information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ Prov/St: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ph: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
I am nominating this person for the category of: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ PLEASE CHECK HERE IF THE INDIVIDUAL BEING NOMINATED HAS ACCEPTED THE NOMINATION.

\_\_\_\_ PLEASE CHECK HERE IF THIS IS A SELF-NOMINATION APPLICATION.

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