BECOMING AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER

Every Drum and Bugle Corps relies upon a few key individuals who are counted upon to make everything work. These generally are not the people standing in front of drum line but the ones inside who have been there for years providing the backbone of stability. They usually are not the soloist who steps out and receives the standing ovation but the third baritone who handles all the instrument repairs. These are the fund raisers, the treasures, the truck drivers --- You know who they are -- no corps could survive without them!

The World Drum Corps Hall of Fame recognized the important contribution of these individuals and has established the category of Associate Member within the Hall of Fame.

Any interested person may submit a candidate for Associate Membership. To be eligible for Associate Membership the nominee must be (or have been) a member of a junior or senior drum and bugle corps (active or inactive) including alumni corps and associations. Additionally, the nominee must have dedicated <u>at least</u> five years of service to <u>one</u> of these groups, as a performer or in a support role.

Applications must be submitted on line using the application form found on the World Drum Corps Hall of Fame website. To be considered for the calendar year, applications must be submitted and verified prior to April 1st. Once submitted, applications remain active and do not need to be re-submitted annually.

Associate Members (between three and five annually) will be selected by a four person committee Chaired by a Hall of Fame member (appointed by the President) and three Associate members (appointed by the Chairman).

Selection for each calendar year will be completed by May 1st and the Chairman will notify the recipients. Associate Members will be inducted at the annual Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony.