



# Voices of Women

## VOICE AWARD CRITERIA AND APPLICATION FORM

Dear Applicant/Nominator,

Voices of Women invites you to submit an application for the 2011 Voice Award for Service. The Voice Award is presented annually to recognize an organization or individual that advance VOW's mission of human rights, education and empowerment of women and children in dire need of advocacy.

VOW offers alternately two Awards, one for Service and one for Artistic Works.

**Voice Award for Service**—This year, 2011, VOW honors the work of a person or of a nonprofit organization that reflects VOW's message and mission.

**Criteria:**

Must have nonprofit status and be in good financial and public standing.

Must positively affect local, national and/or global change.

Must support the disadvantaged and/or disenfranchised especially where it pertains to women and children.

**Voice Award for Artistic Works**—In this year (2012), VOW honors a work or body of work of theatrical or literary significance and/or an artistic production, which includes films and documentaries, fiction, nonfiction, poetry, or prose. The work must reflect VOW's message and mission.

**Criteria:**

Can be written at any time; however, the production must be performed within the three year cycle of this particular Voice Award so that the committee has the opportunity to view it.

Foreign productions must have English subtitles, translations, etc. in order for the committee to understand and access them.

Can be in a foreign language but there must be a comparable English translation.

Must provide appropriate compensation for performers.

Must clearly include voices of women either as subject matter or production team.

**General Criteria for Voice Award:**

1. As a monetary award is given to the Award winner, the funds must be dispersed to the recipient's (chosen) non-profit.
2. Recipients and/or Representatives must be able to attend the "Beyond Borders Benefit." This will be held on October 20, 2011 at the Bali Hai Restaurant.
3. Award recipients are invited to publicly acknowledge VOW for the Award on their websites or on other publicity vehicles.
4. Applications must be postmarked by, or received by midnight, of **July 30, 2011**.



Please include the following with your application packet:

1. Cover Sheet.
2. One page narrative describing why the applicant deserves the award. Please describe the summary of work and its humanitarian intent. (Please review VOW's website and Awards Criteria.)
3. Maximum of three reference letters or reviews.
4. Please provide materials such as brochures that detail your programs, your mission, your outreach, and outcomes. Please include your website.

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### VOICE AWARD NOMINATION AND APPLICATION PACKET

## Cover Sheet

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Submission: \_\_\_\_\_

If Applicable, Name of Person Nominating: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization (being nominated): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Provide information about the non-profit organization that you wish to receive your Voice Award monies including website and direct contact information:

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Send application to Voices of Women: Voices of Women, 8677 Villa La Jolla Drive, #1214, La Jolla, CA 92037  
OR email to [info@voicesofwomen.org](mailto:info@voicesofwomen.org) with "VOW Voice Award" in subject line. Deadline: Must be postmarked or received by midnight on July 30, 2011.

#### About Voices of Women:

Founded on October 17, 2001 in response to the events of 9/11, Voices of Women (VOW) presents programs that raise awareness of global issues. Through its fundraising efforts, VOW has assisted organizations such as Save the Children, Women for Women International, the United Nations Association of San Diego, and Wheelchairs for Israel/Palestine. In addition, VOW's contributions have enabled a woman peacemaker in Uganda to continue her work, bought school supplies in Afghanistan, and supported a micro-credit program in India. Currently, VOW is supporting the Daraja Academy for Girls in Kenya. As an education resource, VOW invites speakers from around the world to San Diego, providing an open forum to speak freely about women's issues and economic conditions in their part of the world. VOW has 501c3 status. For more information and to become a member of VOW, please visit

[www.voicesofwomen.org](http://www.voicesofwomen.org)

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