

MASTER ROSARIAN

Anyone can submit nominations. They are to receive:

Nomination form (3 pages)

Copy of Procedures Letter

They are to complete it and send it to their District Chair of Consulting Rosarians

The District Committee (District CR Chair, District Director [and one other]) will review them for submission to ARS HQ. ARS will send all nominations to the National CR Chair. The National CR Chair (Committee) will review them for approval for presentation.

Presentations will be made at District Conventions. It will be an annual event (based on District Convention dates); *Certificates are sent to District Chair for signature/presentation purposes*

Master Rosarian Certificates: Charged to Districts (\$10 each)

Master Rosarian pin: Charged to Master Rosarian (\$5 each)

Districts may purchase certificate and pin if they desire;

PLEASE ADVISE ARS-HQ IF DISTRICT IS PURCHASING PINS



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Since 1892

January 21, 2011

Dear District Director and District CR Chair,

Master Rosarians to date: 2004 – 159; 2005 -148; 2006- 71; 2007 – 63; 2008-36, 2009-27 and 2010 produced 44 Master Rosarians. Master Rosarians are acknowledged at district or local events. Please continue to acknowledge the efforts of our MRs. My thanks to those districts who have made the effort.

Some districts may not have fully understood the MR program. I am sure that many CRs will qualify. Keep in mind that MR is a designation, not an award. All CRs with 10 years or more experience should be considered. We now begin the process of selecting MRs for **2011. The deadlines for this year's program conform to approved Master Rosarian program dates as noted in the CR Manual . Please observe the deadlines noted.**

The accompanying nomination form describes the designation and the criteria for achieving it. It needs to be completed for every nominee. We wish to begin to solicit nominations based on the process and deadlines below. This will enable the districts to announce their Master Rosarians in time for the fall/winter district meetings.

When and how should you proceed?

- 1. Now...**Establish a district review committee consisting of the District Director, District CR Chair, and a minimum of one other person. (You may elect to use the same committee that you established for the previous years' selections.) The District Director and the District CR Chair should agree on the composition of the committee. The District CR Chair will serve as the chairman of the committee. The committee will review all nominations. *
- 2. Now...**Each District CR Chair will forward the nomination form to all local society presidents and each CR in their district. The nomination form will also be posted on the ARS web site.
- 3. May 1 – July 1...**Nominations for Master Rosarian will be submitted for consideration to the district review committee.
- 4. July 1 – August 1 (district committee completes its review)...**The district review committee will select those nominees that are qualified. There is no specific limit within a district. If there are questions about a nominee, the committee should request additional information from the person making the nomination.
- 5. August 2 – August 10 (Email/mail paper copies to ARS HQ)...**After the district committee has made its recommendations, submit the documentation for **ALL** nominees to Carol Spiers (carol@ars-hq.org) at ARS-HQ. Recommendations must be sent to Headquarters; do NOT send direct to anyone else; nominations must be received no later than August 10. ARS-HQ will forward all nominations to the National CR Chair.
- 6. August 11 – August 31...** The national CR committee will complete its review and make the final decisions. (In the vast majority of cases, I expect that the decisions of the district will be ratified.)
- 7. Appx. September 1...**National CR Committee Chair will send ARS HQ names of approved Master Rosarians for **2011**.
- 8. CERTIFICATES WILL BE SENT TO THE DISTRICT CHAIRS FOR SIGNATURE & PRESENTATION PURPOSES. INVOICES WILL BE SENT TO DISTRICT DIRECTORS FOR PAYMENT (CERTIFICATES \$10); PLEASE ADVISE ARS-HQ IF DISTRICT IS PURCHASING PINS.**
- 9.** Districts should acknowledge the new MRs at an appropriate district meeting in the fall or winter. If there is no appropriate meeting, the announcements can be made at the local society level.
- 10.** The names of all Master Rosarians will be published on the ARS website to promote information about this designation and the CR program.

If you have any questions about any aspect of the Master Rosarian designation, I am available to assist you. Please email me your questions at meg21@stny.rr.com.

Regards,
Mary Peterson, Chair
Consulting Rosarian Committee

**If a District CR list sorted by appointment year is needed, please contact Carol Spiers (carol@ars-hq.org) for this list. You are encouraged to submit your nominations via email attachment if possible.*

MR2011-1/11



MASTER ROSARIAN NOMINATION FORM 2011

Consulting Rosarians, as a group, are among the most knowledgeable and active people in the American Rose Society. The ARS needs a well-motivated and educated group of CRs if the ARS is to continue to succeed in its mission. The Master Rosarian designation was created to recognize those CRs who have made outstanding contributions as CRs over a significant period of time.

The Master Rosarian (MR) is a Consulting Rosarian (CR) who (1) exemplifies knowledge of roses and their culture, (2) shows a strong and demonstrated willingness to share this knowledge with other rosarians and the general public, (3) provides an example of outstanding service to the local rose society and the ARS, and (4) is a model of the ethical behavior exemplified in the CR program. The achievement of the Master Rosarian designation by a CR is intended to recognize these outstanding volunteers and to motivate others to the same degree of excellence.

Basic Requirements

1. A minimum of 10 years as a CR. Must have been appointed in 2001 or earlier
2. Outstanding performance (documented below).
3. An active CR at the time of nomination.
4. A willingness to continue to serve as a CR.

Nomination and Selection Process

1. Nominations will be accepted from **May 1 – July 1, 2011**.
2. All nominations must be submitted on this form. CRs may nominate themselves, be nominated by other ARS members, or by a committee of their local rose society. This form must be completed in its entirety.
3. The completed nomination form should be sent to the CR coordinator in each district. A committee consisting of the District CR coordinator, the District Director, and at least one other person, will review the nominations and make its recommendations.
4. All nominations, **approved or not approved at the district level**, will be forwarded to Carol Spiers (carol@ars-hq.org) at ARS-HQ no later than **August 10**.
5. A subgroup of the national CR committee will review the selections and announce the final selections. The final selections will be announced approximately **September 1**. Email submission preferable to carol@ars-hq.org.

Name of nominee: _____

Local Rose Society: _____

District: _____

Name of person completing this form: _____

Local Rose Society: _____

District: _____

Is this nominee approved by the District Committee? Yes No?

If not, please comment on any issues regarding qualifications? _____

Please use the following questions to present the credentials for each nominee. It is understood that every question may not be relevant to each nominee, but a Master Rosarian should excel in at least several areas. Additional documentation is needed only if requested. If you are uncertain about the credentials of any nominee, ask the nominee themselves or someone who can help you. An incomplete nomination form weakens the overall nomination. A “yes” response is not sufficient for those questions requiring an explanation. The summary question (1) must be completed for each candidate.

Name of Nominee: _____

SUMMARY

1. In a few sentences, why should this candidate be designated a Master Rosarian? (Is this CR well respected by his peers? How does he/she distinguish himself from the “average” CR?)

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

2. Does this nominee write articles for local, district, or national publications? How frequently? Please list some specific titles of articles, where they were published and when. Please attach at least one such article or where it can be read by the CR Review Committee.
3. Does this nominee make presentations at local, district, or national meetings? Please list some specific titles of the presentations, where they were given, and when. Are the presentations available as a PowerPoint program?
4. How does this nominee contribute to the CR program? (examples include enlisting new CRs, training CRs at schools for new CRs or for re-certification existing CRs, participating on CR committees)
5. How has this nominee solicited new members to local rose societies and the ARS?

6. How has this nominee responded to rose related questions? Phone (yes)...Local meetings (yes)...on line (yes)...newspaper (yes)...listed as a cyber CR (yes)...other? Circle all that apply.

7. Does this nominee participate in local rose society activities? Meetings...rose show...rose education...newsletter...other? Circle all that apply.

How has he/she advanced the development of the local rose society? Is this CR a leader in your local society? Which offices have been held? On what committees has this nominee served?

8. How does this nominee help to educate the public at your local rose show or other forums?

9. Does this nominee participate in district or national rose events? How often?

10. Does this nominee complete the annual CR report in your district? (required in many districts)

11. Has this nominee submitted the annual "Roses-In-Review" report every time in the past 3 years? (CR requirement)

12. Has this nominee been recognized for his/her contributions by the local rose society, district, or national ARS? Which honors have been conferred at a local, district, or national level? Has he/she been recognized for CR-related activities outside the ARS? Comment