**MANNING WINTER FESTIVAL INC.**

***FESTIVAL AMBASSADOR***

**GUIDELINES/POLICY**

**Nominations will open Monday March 1, 2016 and close Friday April, 22, 2016**

**The Manning Winter Festival Committee [MWF] aims to appoint a Festival Ambassador[s] every two years. Appointments will be for a two year period and will coincide with the opening events of each Festival at which time handovers will occur.**

 **Whether individuals, couples, or groups, nominees must agree to comply with the following Terms and Conditions:**

1. **Be a resident or former resident of the Greater Taree local government area.**
2. **Be 16 years of age or over.**
3. **Be willing to commit to being in attendance at designated events at the next Festival, two years ahead [subject to prevailing circumstances at the time].**
4. **Have studied in, or have/had connections with, the Manning Valley in cultural endeavour.**
5. **Intend to continue to work in at least one field of creative cultural endeavour.**
6. **Agree to represent MWF up to 6 times over the intervening two years as requested by the MWF Committee eg. Present Awards, make short speeches, sit on judging panels.**
7. **Agree to relevant media interviews, publication of photographs and the like during his/her/their term as MWF Ambassador[s].**

**PROCESS**

1. **The MWF Committee will invite nominations for the position of MWF Ambassador[s]**

 **through local media and by other means, not less than three months prior to the**

 **forthcoming Festival.**

1. **Nominations must be in writing and include contact details and a summary of the nominee`s cultural achievements and cultural aspirations for the future.**
2. **The written permission of the nominee[s] must accompany all nominations, stating that they agree to the Terms and Conditions contained in these Guidelines.**
3. **The MWF Committee will assess all nominations. The Committee`s decision is final and no further discussion or correspondence will be considered.**
4. **Announcement of the successful nominee[s] will be made at a special function during the Festival.**

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