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A.M.A.H.O.F.



2026 Awards

OFFICIAL NOMINATION PACK

To be submitted by

31st March 2026

PRESENTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE
WORLD KARATE UNION



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HALL OF FAME

Fellow Martial Artists, Nominator and Nominee

We thank you for taking interest in the Australasian Martial Arts Hall of Fame Inc. (AMAHOF) Official Nomination Pack

AMAHOF was established in Australasia in 1996 as an associate member of the WKU Hall of Fame based in America. An Executive Committee coordinates AMAHOF, with Committee Members appointed every two years to assist in the overall running of AMAHOF throughout Australasia. AMAHOF is a non-profit organisation with all proceeds going into the awards presentations and associated seminars.

We were established to pay homage and bestow recognition upon martial artists who have made an outstanding contribution to the world of martial arts, and who have demonstrated high ethical and technical abilities in the Australasian Martial Arts Community.

Nominations can originate from family, friends, instructors, peers, and students who believe the person being nominated is worthy of such an honour; all nominations are judged on their own merit and performance using stringent decision criteria. AMAHOF follows the principles of non-discrimination and equal opportunity, thus favouritism, sex, politics, origin, race, creed, and style, do not have any bearing on the final selection of an honouree.

For induction, new nominees should be eligible for, and their inclusion in AMAHOF will be considered using criteria explained in Category Three. AMAHOF's decision will be influenced by the information provided upon the timely submission of the Official Nomination Pack

With normally a maximum of 15 people inducted in any calendar year, your nominee, if successful, will become part of a very select group of outstanding individuals.

AMAHOF reserves the right to extend recognitions to inducted members beyond that outlined below.

AMAHOF INDUCTEE CATEGORIES

Category One: Martial Arts Legend (Committee Invitation-Only)

Award Citation: A Martial Artist who has dedicated over 50 years of continuous service to martial arts development, has previously received Life-Time Achievement, and supported AMAHOF for over 10 years. This person continues to demonstrate the highest levels of experience, skill, knowledge, instructional ability, administration, professionalism, and leadership, and continues to support the development of martial arts, and the mentoring and empowerment of others.

Category Two: Life-Time Achievement (Committee Invitation-Only)

Award Citation: A Martial Artist who has dedicated over 35 years of continuous service to martial arts development, and has previously been inducted into AMAHOF. This person continues to demonstrate the highest levels of experience, skill, knowledge, instructional ability, administration, professionalism, and leadership; who is over the age of 50 years and who continues to support the development of martial arts, and the mentoring and empowerment of others.

Category Three: Continual Excellence and Service to the Australasian Martial Arts Community

Award Citation: A Martial Artist with over 15 years of continuous service, significantly contributing to martial arts development, achieving a minimum of 3rd Dan or equivalent and higher in their chosen martial art. This person continues to demonstrate a consistently high-level of performance as a Martial Artist and as an instructor displaying experience, skill, knowledge, instructional ability, administration, and leadership; who is over the age of 30 years and who promotes the development of martial arts and inspires such qualities within others.

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We hope that you will take the opportunity to support the growth of the Hall of Fame by nominating someone whom is worthy of the recognition this award provides. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact President, AMAHOF Inc. at President@AMAHOF.asn.au

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA FOR ACCEPTANCE

1. Please send all submissions by the designated closing date.
2. Nominations not selected will result in the full refund of the nomination fee.
3. Nominations withdrawn following the designated closing date will result in the forfeiture of the nomination fee.
4. All inductees (other than posthumous awards) **MUST ATTEND** the awards presentation event in the year of their induction. (Special concessions may be provided upon written application).
5. The 2026 Awards will be held (at a venue yet to be confirmed).
6. Further information about the Awards presentation will be listed on the AMAHOF website: www.amahof.asn.au closer to the time of the event.

The following items **must** be included with your nomination:

- Proof of your martial arts history – copies of Certification (or equivalent) from your first Black belt to your current rank.
- Digital copies of all forms and certificates

NB: Where an inductee is unable to attend the awards event due to exceptional circumstances, then their award will be kept in safe keeping until the next awards event only. **AMAHOF WILL NOT** send awards through the post or place them in the care of others for transportation.

Your nomination may be lodged using a cloud server with an appropriate electronic link, and must be **received by 31st March 2026. Notification of application should be sent to the Secretary using e-mail:** secretary@amahof.asn.au or amahofsec@gmail.com

CHECK LIST OF REQUIREMENTS

		Tick Box when completed.
1.	Nomination Forms: Ensure all sections are completed, and forms are signed and dated.	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Copies of certificates Showing continuity of grades from Black Belt to present day.	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Copy of Criminal Convictions check, and Working with Children. Note applicants with criminal convictions may be excluded from consideration. For country of origin - no more than six months old. https://www.afp.gov.au/what-we-do/services/criminal-records/national-police-checks	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Ring Size - Celebrate your induction by wearing a beautiful AMAHOF ring with a gemstone matching the theme of your year of induction. Ring size to be entered on nominee's information page. Go to a jeweller to get yourself sized (using Australian Ring Sizing, i.e the scale of letters from size F to Z.) Any re-sizing will be the responsibility of the inductee. Inquire with us for assistance, if required.	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	AMAHOF Inductee Nomination Fee: \$A750 AUD - Paid Direct Deposit to AMAHOF Inc.: WESTPAC BSB: 036 082 Account No: 150671 Proof of deposit must accompany documents. Transaction also sent via email to: treasurer@amahof.asn.au . If your nomination is not successful, this fee will be refunded.	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.	Optional: you may wish to provide material such as news clips or testimonials - these will not be returned therefore enclose copies only.	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.	Full History/Resume: Include a <u>250-word</u> synopsis in <u>MSWord</u> for awards booklet prepared by nominee, which may be further edited by AMAHOF. Should contain a brief martial arts history, personal info, community work, and aspirations.	<input type="checkbox"/>
8.	Colour Digital Images in jpg format: 1 x RECENT portrait, min 1000 pixels, square format 1 x Close up action shot	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>

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9	Important	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Documents must be accessible to the Secretary in electronic form2. Send all documents via e.g. www.wetransfer.com to AMAHOF Secretary: amahofsec@gmail.com. Accommodates 2Gb files for FREE3. Please print or write legibly, especially contact details.	

OPTIONAL MEDIA SUBMISSION

During the Presentation Award Gala for successful nominees, our emcee will invite inductees on stage to receive their AMAHOF Plaque and membership certificate. While this is being announced, a short highlight reel video makes for good viewing during the entrance of the new inductee. This video is an optional element. In the absence of this media, the inductee will be welcomed on stage, and a static photo will be presented as a viable alternative.

Suggested Media Content:

- **Content:** A video and photos showcasing your martial arts skills and techniques, or instructing students, or participating in competitions or demonstrations of approximately 30 seconds.

Video Specifications:

- **Video:** Submit 1 video clip of 30 seconds in length.
- **Format:** Videos must be submitted in MP4 or MOV format.
- **Resolution:** Minimum of 720p resolution to ensure clarity for both evaluation and gala presentation.
- **Submission:** Video submissions must be uploaded through a cloud service (e.g., Google Drive, Dropbox, WeTransfer) and the shareable link should be included with your nomination package.

Photo Specifications:

- **Quantity:** 6-12 photos
- **Resolution:** 1920x1080 pixels (higher resolution preferred for larger projection)
- **Format:** JPEG or PNG file formats
- **Orientation:** Landscape preferred for optimal display
- **File naming:** Please name each photo file with your last name and brief description (e.g., "Smith_Sparring.jpg")

How the Video Will Be Used:

- **Gala Presentation:** Your video will be included in a montage to be shown if your application for nomination is approved, and when you are welcomed to the stage to receive your award.

We look forward to seeing your journey and contributions come to life through a video submission. If you have any questions or need assistance, please reach out to us.

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DETAILS OF THE PERSON BEING NOMINATED

Please make sure that you include all necessary items

Name:			
Title:	Current rank		
	(Master, Sensei, Soke, etc.)	(equivalent black belt level)	
Art or Style:		Club:	
Address: No and Street		Suburb	
Country:		State and Post Code	
Telephone: Home		Mobile	
Email:		Website	
Date of Birth:		Ring Size	<input type="text"/>

Acceptance of Nomination

Declaration

I _____, as the nominee duly accept this nomination to be considered for induction into the AMAHOF during the year of 2026.

I further provide consent for the AMAHOF Executive Committee to conduct all necessary integrity checks as is deemed appropriate and agree to abide by the final decision of the committee in relation to this application.

I also declare that at the time of making this submission that the details contained in the history/resume, grading record, and matters pertaining to any criminal record or any other legal matters are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and if it can be shown that any such information is false or misleading, I may be disqualified.

Signature:

Date:

You **MUST** tick the box as confirmation of your attendance if selected

Tick Here



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DETAILS OF THE PERSON MAKING THIS NOMINATION

Please make sure that you include all necessary items

Name:			
Address: No and Street		Suburb	
Country:		State and Post code:	
Telephone: Home		Mobile	
Work		Fax	
Email:		Website	
Time that I have known the nominee		My Martial Arts & Senior Held Ranks	
Reference: In brief – state your relationship to and give a history of this person including a character testimony.	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>If Insufficient Space Please Attach Extra Sheets - Tick This Box If Attachment Submitted</i> <input type="checkbox"/></p>		
Signature:		Date:	

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DETAILS OF THE PERSON ACTING AS INDEPENDENT REFEREE

Name:			
Address: No and Street		Suburb	
Country:		State and Post code:	
Telephone: Home		Mobile	
Work		Fax	
Email:		Website	
Time that I have known the nominee		My Martial Arts & Senior Held Ranks	
Reference: In brief – state your relationship to and give a history of this person including a character testimony.	<p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;"><i>If Insufficient Space Please Attach Extra Sheets - Tick This Box If Attachment Submitted</i> <input type="checkbox"/></p>		

Signature:

Date:

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