



## Michigan Women's Hall of Fame Medallion Design Contest

To celebrate Michigan Women Forward's new brand and merger with the Michigan Women's Historical Center and Hall of Fame and the new brand HERstory, a new medallion will be created to commemorate those inducted into this prestigious organization. Women artists across the state are invited to submit design concepts for consideration. The winner will be recognized in a display at the Museum in Okemos.



Established in 1983, the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame honors the history and celebrates the accomplishments of women both past and present through a public nomination process and induction ceremony each October. The Life Achievement Award medallion given to all honorees since 1983 was created by Alixandra Summitt of Okemos.

The design consists of a grouping of three important figures in Michigan history (left to right): Anna Howard Shaw, a leader in the national women's suffrage movement; Sojourner Truth, a former slave who became an outspoken crusader for human rights; and Anna Clemenc, the wife of a Croatian miner who helped lead the historic 1913 copper strike in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Together, these women represent the three principal themes of the early women's movement, the striving for political, social, and economic justice. Now, in its 35<sup>th</sup> year, MWF wishes to honor the past and propel the future of the Hall of Fame with a new Life Achievement medallion that reflects the vision of the organization where women are recognized leaders who thrive, contribute and uplift the state's future.

- Purpose:** This contest will determine the new design for the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame Life Achievement medallion. Open to all Michigan women artists.
- Key Outcomes:** Winning design will be used for 2018 Michigan Women Hall of Fame Inductees. Winning designer will be invited to attend the Hall of Fame Dinner to reveal the design.
- Timeline:** Open for entries July 5 through August 31. Final determination will be made soon after submission period closes.
- Specifications:** Entries must be submitted in PDF format with a short paragraph explaining the design and why it should be chosen as the symbol of lifetime achievement. Submissions will be sent to [info@michiganwomen.org](mailto:info@michiganwomen.org) with subject line: Medallion Contest Entry.