

**AMERICAN RABBIT BREEDERS ASSOCIATIONS, INC.**

**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD**

The purpose of this award is to recognize those individuals making outstanding contributions to the rabbit and/or cavy industry at a local, state, or regional level. The nominee need not be a judge or registrar, but an individual who has made a noticeable impact on the industry by the work they have performed. The ARBA wishes to recognize those members deserving of the DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD.

Following is a list of general criteria for the issuance of this award. The nominee does not have to meet all of the guidelines as specified to qualify for the award.

The criteria includes:

The NOMINEE:

Is and ARBA member in good standing.

Has been an ARBA member for at least ten (10) years.

Has assisted in organizing a club (all breed or specialty) to promote the industry.

Has served a club fair, or 4-H rabbit and/or cavy program for at least fifteen (15) years.

Has helped organize or been an active participant in a successful judge's conference.

Has developed a breed or variety that has been of interest and benefit to the ARBA.

Has helped organize or been an active participant in a successful rabbit and/or cavy seminar.

Has donated unselfishly of time, effort, or finances to benefit the rabbit and/or cavy industry.

Has served actively as a judge and/or registrar in a positive manner to promote the industry.

Has performed other outstanding services for the industry.

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Name of person being nominated \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years as ARBA member \_\_\_\_\_

List below any memberships and or offices held by the nominee in local, state, regional, or national clubs.

## ARBA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD APPLICATION

### Procedure:

- 1 Sponsoring club or individual obtains application from ARBA office or District Director.
- 2 Return completed form to the ARBA home office.
- 3 Sponsor will receive verification that the application was received by the Membership Recognition Committee chairperson.
- 4 Application reviewed by the Membership Recognition Committee and recommendation made to the Board within six (6) weeks of receiving application.
- 5 After the ARBA Board votes the Committee and sponsor are notified of the decision.
- 6 Information published about award winner in Domestic Rabbits magazine.

Name of person being nominated \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years as ARBA member \_\_\_\_\_

ARBA member or recognized club sponsoring the nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's address \_\_\_\_\_

Person to contact if necessary \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

The purpose of this award is to honor those ARBA members that have made outstanding contributions to the rabbit and/or cavy industry at a local, state, or regional level. ARBA member nominated for this award should have drawn attention to their work over a period of several years of service by the quality of work done. The nominee need not be a judge or registrar, but simply someone that has made a positive contribution to the rabbit and/or cavy industry, whereas their efforts and achievements should no longer be overlooked by the ARBA and its members.

### ITEMS TO CONSIDER WHEN FILLING IN APPLICATION:

#### HAS THE NOMINEE:

Been instrumental in organizing local, state, or specialty clubs to promote the industry?

Been actively supporting area clubs?

Been instrumental in forming and/or participating in a judge's conference?

Developed a breed or variety which has proven to be successful and in demand?

Been active in the area as a judge or registrar? (If applicable)

Performed any outstanding services or duties for the ARBA?

#### Return completed forms and information sheets to:

**American Rabbits Breeders Association, Inc.  
Distinguished Service Award  
PO Box 400  
Knox, PA 16232**

The following questions may not all apply to this nominee. Answer only those that apply. Please answer them to the best of your abilities and with as much detail as possible. Use separate sheets of paper as necessary.

- 1 List information pertaining to any club the nominee was instrumental in organizing. Name, location, membership, purpose, and achievement of the club.
- 2 List information pertaining to any club in which the nominee is actively involved and the effect this individual has had in the club.
- 3 List information pertaining to any breed or variety the nominee has introduced or sponsored for presentation.
- 4 List information pertaining to any rabbit and/or cavy seminar, workshop, etc, in which the nominee was actively involved. In what capacity did this individual act?
- 5 List information pertaining to any donations of time, effort, or finances made by the nominee that were for the betterment of the rabbit and/or cavy industry.
- 6 If the nominee is judge, list the approximate number of shows judges each year. List any judging activities that have been beneficial to the local, state, or regional area.
- 7 If the nominee is a registrar, list the approximate number of rabbits and/or cavies registered each year. List any activities pertaining to registration that this individual has done to promote the industry.
- 8 List any information pertaining to any other services the nominee has performed for the benefit or improvement of the rabbit and/or cavy industry. Work accomplished, time frame, amount of responsibility, and ongoing commitments to the projects.
- 9 Explain why you believe this individual should be considered for the Distinguished Service Award.

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