AAMI History Makers 2018 Nomination Form

The African American Museum of Iowa will honor African American men and women currently living in Iowa who have "made history" in our state at the annual History Makers Gala. A selection committee will review all nominations and those selected as "History Makers" will be recognized during the Gala on Thursday, October 4, 2018 at The Hotel at Kirkwood Center in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Nominations are due to Alyssa Lesmeister at alesmeister@blackiowa.org by January 31, 2018. Mailed copies should be sent to 55 12th Avenue, SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401.

Nominators must complete the online nomination form or request a copy via email. A hard copy can be emailed, faxed (319-862-2105) or mailed. The following information must be completed and submitted on time for consideration:
   a) Completed nomination form.
   b) A brief essay describing why the nominee should be considered a History Maker (500 words or less)
   c) Resume, CV or biographical statement (no more than two pages) for the nominee.

Optional: Nominators may also provide one to three relevant supporting documents (i.e., letters of support from individuals other than members of the immediate family, a newspaper article, samples of artwork, etc.). Each item should be labeled.

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YOUR Name and Contact Information

Full Name: __________________________________________________________________________

Email Address: _______________________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: _____________________________________________________________________

Home Phone: _______________________________   Cell Phone: ______________________________

Your relationship to the nominee and years acquainted: _______________________________________

NOMINEE Contact Information:

Name: ___________________________________________________ Phone: _______________________

Email Address: _______________________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: _____________________________________________________________________

City: ___________________________________________ State: ________ Zip: __________________

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How many years has the nominee lived in Iowa? _______ years

What is a History Maker?

A History Maker is an individual who, by their actions, modify the course of history; imparting knowledge and impacting the communities in which we live. Through their existence and influence, history is forever changed. Characteristics of a History Maker include the following:

Trailblazer: An African American who initiated a first or showed innovation in their field and was instrumental in developing or enhancing a process that positively impacted the lives of Iowans.

Change Agent: An African American who has made an indelible mark on their community and who has changed the lives of people in their area forever.

Legacy Maker: An African American who has created a legacy or accomplished something that lives beyond them, or contributed to a legacy by passionately continuing an effort or participating in a movement.

Role Model: An African American who is an outstanding role model and someone whose character and accomplishments all people, regardless of race, age, or gender, can admire and emulate.

Why is your nominee a History Maker? Please describe in 500 words or less, using the History Maker definition as a guide. Print neatly or type a separate page (illegible entries will NOT be reviewed).