



## *2019 Las Primeras Awards Gala & Scholarship Fundraiser*

*Friday October 18, 2019*

*Barbara Worth - Holtville, CA*

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

MANA de Imperial Valley invites you to nominate a Latina in your community for consideration as a 2019 Las Primeras Honoree. Three women will be chosen and honored during the Annual Las Primeras Awards Gala & Scholarship Fundraiser to be held Friday October 18, 2019 at the Barbara Worth Country Club in Holtville, California.

Las Primeras provides MANA de Imperial Valley the opportunity to celebrate positive leadership in the Latina Community and honoring women the entire community can look to as role models. This worthy event enables MANA to provide a sterling affair whereby proceeds are used to fund college scholarships, educational, and cultural programs in Imperial County.

Attached is the 2019 Nomination form and instructions. We have also included a list of past Las Primeras Honorees. Nomination form must be submitted and received by Friday August 16, 2019.

MANA thanks you in advance for your assistance in helping us find our next Las Primeras Honorees! Your commitment to honoring Latinas in our community continues to be an asset and we value your support. For more information, please feel free to contact me at [manalasprimeras@gmail.com](mailto:manalasprimeras@gmail.com)

We look forward to receiving your nominations!

Sincerely,

Martha Singh

President



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### **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

You are invited to nominate a candidate for the 2019 Las Primeras Awards Gala & Scholarship Fundraiser to be held on Friday October 18, 2019 at the Barbara Worth County Club in Holtville, CA. The Las Primeras Awards give well deserved recognition to Latina women who have made significant contributions to the empowerment and well-being of the Latino community. Please submit one nomination per form.

#### **Purpose of the Awards:**

To honor the outstanding commitment and contributions made by Latina women to our community and to bring attention to the recipients work.

Name of Nominating Organization/Individual: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Job Title/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

***Thank you for your support!***



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### **NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS**

Nomination Packet **MUST** include the following:

- Completed Nomination Form
- Nomination essay (500 word maximum – 2 pages type written)
- Nominee’s resume and other supporting documents (e.g. letter of recommendation, newspaper clippings, etc.)

Please provide an essay with the following questions answered:

1. Why is the individual nominated for this award?
2. How has your nominee excelled or been the “first” to achieve a particular level of success in her professional/personal life?
3. Describe how the nominee’s work has had substantial impact on the Latina/o community.
4. What community organizations has your nominee been affiliated with? What leadership positions, if any, has she held in those organizations?

Nominations must be submitted and received by **Friday August 16, 2019** to:

**MANA – Las Primeras Nomination  
P.O. Box 2945 El Centro, CA 92244**

Nominations will also be accepted via email to [manalasprimeras@gmail.com](mailto:manalasprimeras@gmail.com) Please be sure to enter “Las Primeras Nomination [insert nominee name]” on the subject line. Nomination form and essay must be received in PDF format with supporting documents in JPEG or PDF format. If this format is not followed, your application will not be reviewed.

For additional information, please visit our website: [www.ivmana.org](http://www.ivmana.org) or call (760) 879-4842

The awards will be presented at the MANA Las Primeras Gala held at the Barbara Worth County Club in Holtville, CA on **Friday October 18, 2019.**

***Thank you for your support!***



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### **LAS PRIMERAS PAST HONOREES**

Celeste Cantu  
Stella Mendoza  
Emily Palacio

Rosie Garcia  
Dolores Provencio  
Dolores Soliz

Frances Beope  
Lupe Quintero  
Aurora Rayon

Grace Sesma  
Margaret Silva-Chairez  
Gloria Vasquez

Hon. Annie Guterrez  
Norma Saikhon  
Susan Solis

Alicia Armenta  
Teresa Sandoval  
Dr. Amalia Katsigeanis

Elsa Downs  
Norma Kastner Jauregui  
Libby Peraza

Ruth Bermudez-Montenegro  
Toni Carrillo  
Margarita de Necochea

Virginia Montejano  
Rosie Ulloa  
Katy Alcantara-Santillan

Hildy Carrillo-Rivera  
Karla Davis  
Mercedes Wheeler

Yvonne Bell  
Rosalie Lopez  
Rosie Nava-Bermudez

Dr. Luz Elva Tristan  
Dianna Seanez  
Gloria Uribe Brister

Rosanna Bayon-Moore  
Soledad B. Meza  
Dora Rodriguez  
Sandra Tauler

Carmen Araujo  
Gloria Rivera  
Loli Mercado-Torres

Maritza Hurtado-Barron  
Ernestina Calderón  
Patricia Ureña

Norma Aguilar  
Helen Noriega  
Diana Peacher

Elvira S. Alvarado  
Teresa Estrada  
Liz Gonzalez

Bertha Alicia-Karnes  
Sister Maria Luisa Valdez  
Rebecca Grijalva Singh

Norma Sierra Galindo  
Yazmin Arellano-Torres  
Gloria Muñoz-Brunswick

Haydee Rodriguez  
Lorena Lacar  
Maria Elena Nava-Froelich

Monalisa G. Vitela  
Mercy Diana Valenzuela  
Norma Villicana

Esperanza Colio-Warren  
Sandra Kofford  
Dalia Rodriguez

Martha Garcia Ed.D  
Keila Rodriguez  
Margaret Sauza

For additional information, visit our website [www.ivmana.org](http://www.ivmana.org) or email [manalasprimeras@gmail.com](mailto:manalasprimeras@gmail.com) attention to *Tiffany Romayor*, Las Primeras Coordinator

***Thank you for your support!***