



INSPIRING THE NATIVE TRADITION OF GIVING

# POTLATCH FUND



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## 2012 Leadership Honoring Awards - Call for Nominations -



[2011 Leadership Honoring Video](#)  
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Potlatch Fund's Mission is to inspire and build upon the Native tradition of giving and to expand philanthropy within Tribal Nations and Native communities in the Northwest.

Among Northwest Coastal tribes, a potlatch is a coming together, in ceremony, celebration, and giving. Potlatches have always embodied the best of what Native culture personify, and strengthen community ties, with food, song, and above all else, sharing.



[2010 Leadership Honoring Video](#)  
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In 2005, Potlatch Fund launched its Leadership Honoring Awards. Named after five outstanding leaders, the awards seek to acknowledge leaders in Northwest Indian Country. The 2011 Award recipients honored at our 9th Annual Gala were-

### **Bruce Thomas**

The Antone Minthorn Economic & Community Development Award

### **John McCoy**

The Pearl Capoeman-Baller Civic Participation Award

### **Eric J. Quaempts**

The Billy Frank Jr. Natural Resource Protection Award

### **Jamie Valadez**

The Patricia Whitefoot Education Award



[2009 Leadership Honoring Video](#)  
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### **Leonard Forsman**

The Fran James Cultural Preservation Award

## 2012 Leadership Honoring Awards Currently Open



[2008 Leadership Honoring Video](#)  
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[2007 Leadership Honoring Video](#)  
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Who is eligible for nomination?

- Native American individuals who reside in Washington, Oregon, Idaho or Montana.
- Self nominations are encouraged.

Finalists will be formally recognized at the 10th Annual Potlatch Fund Gala (November 3, 2012) and will receive

- a \$500 cash award.
- two complimentary seats at the 2012 Gala
- a copy of the video which will highlight their contribution to the larger community.

[Click here for the application](#), which must be received by  
**Friday, February 24, 2012.**

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