



# 2012 Colin Higgins Youth Courage Award Nomination Form

<p>Please visit <a href="http://www.colinhiggins.org/courageawards/">www.colinhiggins.org/courageawards/</a> for the online nomination form (<u>preferred</u>) and more information.</p> <p>Nomination forms may be sent to →</p>	<p>Colin Higgins Foundation c/o Tides Foundation, New York Office 55 Exchange Place, Suite 402 New York, NY 10005 Phone: (212) 509-1052 Fax: (212) 509-1049 E-mail: <a href="mailto:garyschwartz@colinhiggins.org">garyschwartz@colinhiggins.org</a></p>
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Each year, the Colin Higgins Foundation salutes and celebrates courage in the face of adversity and discrimination by awarding \$10,000 individual grants to:

**Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Two Spirit, Queer and Questioning youth activists** (through age 21) who have transformed their experiences with bigotry and discrimination into opportunities to inspire others by taking action, rallying support, building community, and working to change the systems and institutions that impact their lives.

Colin Higgins Youth Courage Award winners receive: an individual grant of \$10,000; a trip to New York to be honored at The Trevor Project's gala in June; and an expense-paid trip to attend the *National Conference on LGBT Equality: Creating Change* presented by the National Gay and Lesbian Taskforce in 2013.

Mailed or faxed nominations **MUST BE RECEIVED before Wednesday, February 29, 2012** OR SENT THROUGH THE ONLINE NOMINATION SYSTEM BY 5pm (Pacific time) ON THAT DATE.

Nominations received after the due date/time will not be considered. **Self-nominations are not accepted.**

Name of nominee:		Birth date:
Home address:		City:
State:		Zip:
Nominee telephone:		Nominee e-mail:
Organization:		Position:
Race/ethnicity of nominee:		Gender:
Nominated by:		Relationship to nominee:
Nominator telephone:		Nominator e-mail:
Where did you hear about the Colin Higgins Youth Courage Awards?		

Please describe in 350 words or less why you think your nominee should receive a Colin Higgins Youth Courage Award, providing details and insights into the following three areas: A) obstacles the nominee has faced due to their sexual orientation and/or gender identity, B) how the nominee has overcome these obstacles through their activism for LGBTQ rights in your community, and C) how the award could transform the life of your nominee and support them to achieve their dreams. Please be specific and use examples.

*You may continue your nomination on a separate page.*