



# 2019 Texas Statewide Ceremony

## Frequently Asked Questions

### WHEN & WHERE IS THE CEREMONY BEING HELD?

The ceremony will be held on **Saturday, May 4, 2019** at the **Dallas Museum of Art** in Dallas, Texas. A reception will begin promptly at 10:00 a.m. and recipients should arrive no later than 9:30 a.m. for check-in and briefing.

Dallas Museum of Art  
1717 N Harwood Street  
Dallas, TX 75201

### HOW DO I GET TO THE DALLAS MUSEUM OF ART?

**DART to the Art:** The Museum encourages visitors to use Dallas's DART rail system. Parking is available at any of DART's outlying lots, and visitors can ride the DART train to the St. Paul Station and walk north to the Museum's Ross Avenue Entrance. Plan your visit to the DMA using [DART](#).

### IS PARKING AVAILABLE?

Underground parking is available in the Museum's 400-space garage on a first-come, first-served basis for a flat fee of \$15, payable at time of entry. Cash and major credit cards are accepted. Garage parking for DMA Members and Nasher Sculpture Center members is free, pending availability. Clearance in the underground parking garage is 6 feet, 8 inches high.

Access to the DMA's underground parking garage is located off of Harwood Street (one way, south).

Handicap-access parking spaces are located on Levels P1, P2, and P3 of the Museum's parking garage.

In the event that the Museum garage may be full, please review the map of nearby surface lots and garages that have reserved parking for Museum visitors. In addition to these locations, other parking exists throughout the downtown area.

For alternate parking options, visit the [Dallas Arts District](#) website.

### HOW MANY GUESTS CAN I BRING TO THE CEREMONY?

Participants are allotted two (2) ceremony guests. Guest names should be provided on the RSVP form. Though approval is not guaranteed due to venue capacity, you may request additional guests by emailing [gooden@congressionalaward.org](mailto:gooden@congressionalaward.org).

[Download this invitation](#) to invite your two ceremony guests.

#### **WHAT IS THE PROPER ATTIRE FOR THE CEREMONY?**

The dress code for the event is business attire. This is defined as a coat and tie for men, business suit/dress for women. Formal gowns or prom dresses however will not be appropriate. Participants are encouraged to make conservative clothing choices. Please do not wear flip flops or tennis shoes for the award ceremony.

#### **WILL THERE BE A PHOTOGRAPHER PRESENT? CAN MY FAMILY TAKE PHOTOS?**

A photographer will be on hand to take pictures of the event, including as each recipient is presented with their Congressional Award as well as a group photo. Complimentary digital photo downloads will be provided by The Congressional Award after the event.

We understand that capturing the presentation of the award is very important. However, the ceremony will not be halted or slowed to facilitate photography except for the official photographer. As long as the photography does not interfere or obstruct the ceremony, family members may take photos.

#### **WHAT TIME SHOULD I ARRIVE FOR THE CEREMONY?**

Recipients should arrive no later 9:30 a.m. for check-in and briefing. All guests are invited to attend a reception which will begin at 10:00 a.m., followed by the ceremony.

#### **WHERE SHOULD I SUBMIT MY RSVP FORM?**

Whether you're able to attend the event or not, Congressional Award Recipients must submit their RSVP online at [www.congressionalaward.org/txceremony](http://www.congressionalaward.org/txceremony) no later than April 29, 2019.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Program Director, Kirsten Gooden, at (202) 226-0130 or [gooden@congressionalaward.org](mailto:gooden@congressionalaward.org).