



CGJA News ***Nominations are Open!***

Dear Chapter/Association President,

Nominations for Director are Open

By now we hope that you have seen the notice in the April Grand Jurors' Journal that nominations for Director are now open. The purpose of this letter is to encourage you to notify your chapter/association members of this and to encourage those who are CGJA members to consider volunteering to run for a position on the CGJA Board of Directors, or provide the name of a member who they feel would make an excellent director.

Qualifications for Director are spelled out in the Journal article, including a serious commitment of time devoted to this important role. The Nominations-Elections Committee has the responsibility to be sure that candidates meet these requirements and are willing to make the necessary commitment, so offering to run for Director does not automatically mean that person will be on the ballot.

But the Board does desire "new blood" and is making serious efforts to improve relations with members and chapters. As President Karen Jahr has mentioned in various communications, this is a two-way street: CGJA needs more volunteers and more support. Running for the Board, or joining one of our committees in anticipation of running in future years, would be an

expression of that willingness.

Nominations will close on May 31. Those who express a desire to run will be contacted by a member of the NEC to review their qualifications. Then the candidate will be asked to submit a statement that will be sent to the membership as part of the balloting process. Final approval of the ballot will be made by the Board of Directors in June. Nominations should be sent to nominations@cgja.org.

Please feel free to contact me or a member of the Nominations-Elections Committee in your region with any questions. Our contact information is in the aforementioned Journal.

Thank you for your interest. We look forward to hearing from you or your members.

Jerry Lewi
Nominations-Elections Chair

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