

### **LOUISIANA RABBIT BREEDERS ASSOCIATION, INC. HALL OF FAME AWARD**

Induction into the LRBA, Inc. Hall of Fame is the highest honor that can be granted to an individual by the LRBA, Inc.

#### **Qualifications:**

1. The individual(s) should have been a member of the LRBA, Inc. for five (5) consecutive years.
2. The individual(s) should have raised and exhibited domestic rabbits for at least five (5) years.
3. The individual(s) should have been active in the state club and a local club.
4. The individual(s) should have aided in the production, promotion, and improvement of domestic rabbits in Louisiana through a successful breeding program.
5. The individual(s) should have aided others in their efforts to raise and improve the quality of their chosen breed(s). One should have given his/her time and knowledge to help others, particularly the beginner and youth.
6. The individual(s) should have been an exemplary showman on a local, regional, or national level. (Winning is not the only criteria here: sportsmanship, honesty, integrity, and consistency should be considered.)
7. Any individual who is not currently an LRBA, Inc. member may be granted an Honorary Membership in the LRBA, Inc. Hall of Fame, provided they have promoted and encouraged the production and exhibition of domestic rabbits in Louisiana through financial or educational aid or other means.

### **LOUISIANA RABBIT BREEDERS ASSOCIATION, INC. BREEDER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

#### **Qualifications for Open (Adult) and Youth:**

1. To qualify, the individual(s) must be a current member of the LRBA, Inc., a resident of the State of Louisiana, breed and exhibit rabbits in the State of Louisiana.
2. The individual(s) should be devoted to recruiting, teaching and helping new breeders, including the youth.
3. The individual(s) should be a willing worker who promotes the LRBA, Inc.
4. The individual(s) must be reliable through the promotion of the hobby by breeding good quality rabbits and should show good standings in his/her breeds in the LRBA sweepstake points listing.
5. The recipient(s) shall be an active member of the LRBA, Inc. for three (3) consecutive years.
6. If an individual(s) has won Breeder of the Year three times and provided all other criteria are met as approved by the LRBA Executive Board, he/she shall be inducted into the Hall of Fame the following year.

### **LOUISIANA RABBIT BREEDERS ASSOCIATION, INC. ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARD**

#### **Qualifications for Open (Adult) and Youth:**

1. To qualify, the individual(s) must be a current member of the LRBA, Inc., a resident of the State of Louisiana, breed and exhibit rabbits in the State of Louisiana.
2. The individual(s) must be devoted to learning about the rabbit industry.
3. The individual(s) should be a willing worker who promotes the LRBA, Inc.
4. The individual(s) should have an established breeding program.
5. The recipient(s) shall be an active member of the LRBA, Inc. for less than (2) years.
6. An individual may be selected as LRBA, Inc. Rookie of the Year only once.

#### **Selection for all awards:**

1. The LRBA, Inc. Executive Board will nominate a slate of candidates for each of the LRBA, Inc. awards annually. (For purposes of these awards, a husband/wife team will be considered as one candidate).
2. Each nominee must receive a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Executive Board members present to be put on the slate.
3. After the slate has been selected, a ballot will be distributed to all LRBA, Inc. members of record (age 10 and above) to vote on the candidates of his/her choice. For the Hall of Fame award, members may vote for up to two (2) candidates.
4. Ballots are to be returned by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Ballots postmarked or hand delivered after this date will not be accepted.
5. The LRBA, Inc. Executive Board will select a committee to receive and count the ballots.
6. To achieve the LRBA, Inc. Hall of Fame awards a candidate must receive a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the ballots returned. Out of candidates that receive the required majority, the top two will be inducted into the LRBA, Inc. Hall of Fame. In the event that the nominee is within 5 votes of getting the required 2/3, the Executive Board

will vote as to whether to allow them the Hall of Fame award.

7. LRBA, Inc. Breeder of the Year and Rookie of the Year will be awarded to the candidate receiving the most votes in each category.

8. LRBA, Inc. Executive Board to break all ties.

**Other:**

1. The LRBA, Inc. Awards are to be presented at the Annual State Show.

2. The LRBA, Inc. Vice-President is to be responsible for administering the LRBA awards program.

3. The nominating party or parties should submit a short biography or resume for each candidate.