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# KERM HELMER HORIZON AWARD NOMINATION FORM

**KERM HELMER** dedicated his life to the growth and development of youth and collegiate bowling. A physical education teacher for more than 35 years, Helmer initiated men's and women's bowling programs at Erie Community College in Buffalo, NY. As a coach, he led the Kats to 15 National Junior College Athletic Association men's titles and 22 NJCAA women's titles. His men's and women's teams each claimed a pair of national titles at what is now known as the USBC Intercollegiate Team Championships as well.

A longtime member of the American Bowling Congress/Women's International Bowling Congress Collegiate Committee, Helmer also served several years as the Association of College Unions International Singles Championships tournament director. A director on the ABC and Young American Bowling Alliance boards from 1986 until his death in 2002; he was YABA president from 1999 to 2001.

The Kerm Helmer Horizon Award was developed in his memory to recognize visionary leadership. The inaugural award was presented to Helmer posthumously in 2003.

**Nominate that special person whose efforts have developed far-reaching national opportunities and programs for collegiate and youth bowlers.**

**THE KERM HELMER HORIZON AWARD** annually recognizes leaders or organizations in the bowling community who have displayed the courage, determination and ability to develop far-reaching programs of national-scope that provide fun and exciting

opportunities for collegiate and/or youth bowlers. The award recipient receives an expense-paid trip to the awards ceremony held in conjunction with the USBC Convention in the spring.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

1. A person or organization may be nominated for this award
2. Any person or organization may be a nominator
3. A nominee cannot be a current USBC board member or USBC association board member, or have been on the board within the last two years.
4. The completed nomination, nomination statement, and any supporting documentation must be post-marked no later than **DECEMBER 1, 2012**, to be considered. Applications will be held for two years for consideration of the award.

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**SECTION A – NOMINATOR’S INFORMATION**

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Affiliation or Relationship to Candidate \_\_\_\_\_

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**SECTION B – NOMINEE’S INFORMATION**

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
USBC Association Name \_\_\_\_\_ USBC Member Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Registered Volunteer?  Yes  No If yes, expiration date (MM/DD/YYYY) \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

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**SECTION C – WHY THE NOMINEE?**

Since your nominee will be evaluated solely on the information that you provide, it is very important that you attach a detailed narrative statement describing what your nominee has accomplished to foster, organize and promote certified youth bowling programs at the local, state and/or national level. If applicable or available, please support your narrative statement by attaching documentation of items such as prior recognition through awards, published articles, letters, etc. Please be as specific as possible.

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**SECTION D – NOMINATOR’S SIGNATURE**

I certify the information in this nomination packet and in my statement is correct and represents the nominee to the best of my knowledge.

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Nominator’s Signature & Date

Only the winning applicant will be notified directly. The winner’s identity will be published on [www.bowl.com](http://www.bowl.com) and in other USBC publications. Send completed application form and all documentation post-marked no later than **DECEMBER 1, 2012**, by mail, fax or email to:

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