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Chicago LGBT Hall of Fame Postpones events due to CoViD-19;
Selection Committee is reviewing candidates for 2020 induction

The Chicago LGBT Hall of Fame announced today that it has postponed three planned events; the meeting of its Selection Committee, slated for March 21, its Bowlathon Fundraiser at Waveland Bowl on Apr. 4, and its induction ceremony scheduled for June 9, at The Chicago History Museum. Dates for all re-scheduled events will be announced shortly.

As a result of the postponements, any previous individual inductee may opt to join in the selection committee activities. Those who are interested in participating in the selection committee should send an e-mail to outreach@ChicagoLGBTHallofFame.org as soon as possible.

The Bowlathon fundraiser which was to be held at Waveland Bowl on Apr. 4, will be postponed until September 2020. However, individuals can still sponsor bowlers for the rescheduled event. For more information go to <https://www.facebook.com/events/2680184668744145/>.

The ceremony for inductees scheduled for Tuesday, June 9, at the Chicago History Museum will be held in October 2020, during LGBT History Month. The exact date will be announced shortly.

The Chicago LGBT Hall of Fame was founded in 1991 as the Chicago Gay & Lesbian Hall of Fame. Its purpose then, as now, is to honor people and entities, nominated by the community, who have made significant contributions to the quality of life or well-being of the LGBT community in Chicago. It is the first city-sponsored hall of fame dedicated to LGBT people, organizations and community in the United States.

The first Chicago Gay & Lesbian Hall of Fame ceremony took place during Pride Week and was held at Chicago City Hall. Mayor Richard M. Daley hosted the ceremony and afterwards, photos of the inductees were displayed in City Hall. The Hall of Fame has no physical facility but maintains a website, which allows anyone to visit the Hall of Fame at any time. Traditionally, the City of Chicago has displayed the Hall of Fame materials during induction periods.

The Chicago LGBT Hall of Fame and is supported and maintained by the Friends of the Chicago LGBT Hall of Fame, a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization.

For more information, visit the organization's web site chicagolgbthalloffame.org/ or its Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/groups/56108152083/>.

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