



Federation of
Historical Bottle
Collectors

Virtual Museum of
Historical Bottles
and Glass

The Federation of Historical Bottle Collectors

Hall of Fame

Requirements, Nomination, Evaluation and Award Procedure

The Hall of Fame awards are designed to honor individuals, living or deceased, who have made significant contributions to the hobby of collecting bottles. The Hall of Fame award is the highest honor. It was created to honor individuals recognized for significant and lasting contributions to the bottle-collecting hobby on the national or international level. Consideration for this honor is to be based only on the contributions to the bottle collecting hobby. Other attributes such as professional career or positions are not to be considered.

Description of Honors

Hall of Fame

The Hall of Fame is intended to recognize outstanding and significant contributions to the bottle collecting hobby that have made a lasting and enduring impact upon the hobby at the national or international level. Such individuals should be generally known throughout the bottle collecting community for their collections, contributions and impact upon the hobby. Such contributions include but are not limited to research and publications that furthered a greater understanding of the history and production of bottles and glass, or major contributions that significantly encouraged people to participate in the hobby. Such contributions include creation and organization of significant activities or events that fostered growth, understanding, and cooperation in the hobby.

Further clarifications of the requirements for the awards and examples of qualifying contributions are given in Appendix C.

General Requirements

Nominations may be made by any individual FOHBC member, affiliate member, or affiliate club. Nominations should outline the contributions and accomplishments as they relate to the bottle-collecting hobby, i.e., contributions made to the hobby in the way of research, published articles, or books, initiating activities or events, serving at the local level, or at the national Federation level, and any other contributions made by nominee to the bottle-collecting hobby as a whole. Nomination should include dates, scope of accomplishments, and copies of any published articles, or other relevant documents, when possible.

Nominations should include the nominator, the person who researched the nomination, and the names of at least two additional Federation members recommending the nomination. No more than two persons may be inducted into the Hall of Fame per year.

Nomination Process

Nomination material for Hall of Fame candidates shall be submitted to the Business Manger. Two (2) copies shall be submitted. Guidelines and requirements for the nominations may be obtained by request from the Business Manager.

Processing Nominations

The Business Manager shall inform the President whenever a nomination is received. The Business Manager shall reproduce copies of the nomination document and send copies to the Hall of Fame Committee, and all members of the Board.

Hall of Fame Nominations

The Hall of Fame Committee shall review the nomination document, and evaluate it in accordance with criteria approved by the Board.

The Committee shall present the nomination to the Board recommending disposition on the nomination. If approved by a 2/3-majority vote (12) of the entire Board, the nomination shall be approved. If the nomination does not receive the approval, it shall be removed from further consideration at that time. The nomination may and must be resubmitted if it is to undergo further consideration.

Recognition of Inductees

Once a Hall of Fame Nominee has been approved, the following steps shall be taken:

1. The President shall send a letter, informing the inductee of the award to be presented, and inviting him or her to the Convention where the award will be presented. *See Appendix A.*
2. If attending the convention, the inductee and their guest shall be compensated by the FOHBC for one nights hotel accommodation and one ticket to the awards banquet. The President shall make sure that appropriate reservations have been made and provided for by the FOHBC.
3. The Hall of Fame Committee Chairman shall make sure that the award materials have been prepared and ready for presentation at the awards banquet. If the inductee is going to attend the convention, the nominator/researcher who submitted the nomination shall be invited to come to the convention and present the award at the awards banquet.

Award Materials:

The following shall be prepared for each inductee to the Hall of Fame:

1. An approximately 8 1/2 x 11 inch certificate with the inductee's name, with a summary of contributions shall be prepared by the Business Manager and signed by the President. This shall be presented to the Inductee at the time of induction. *See Appendix B for example.*
2. Two copies of a wall plaque shall be prepared. These shall be approximately 10.5 x 16 inches in size by 1/2 - 5/8 inch thick and have an approximately 5 x 7 inch photograph of the nominee and an approximately 5 x 7 inch reduced size copy of the certificate. One of the plaques shall become part of the FOHBC Hall of Fame and the other one shall be presented to the Inductee. *See Appendix B for example and additional information.*
3. The Hall of Fame Committee shall work with the nominator, and inductee, as needed, to prepare two (2) copies of the nomination documents for binding into Hall of Fame books. The book shall include the nomination documentation, copies of the FOHBC certificate, and an approximately 8 1/2 x 11 inch photograph of the inductee. One of the books shall become a part of the FOHBC Hall of Fame, and the other copy is to be presented to the inductee. *See Appendix B for more information.*

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Appendix A: Example of Notification Letter

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Re: FOHBC Hall of Fame Award | Charles & Mark Vuono

Dear Mr. Vuono,

I am pleased to inform you that at the 11 March 2017 meeting of the FOHBC Board of Directors, your nomination to the Hall of Fame was presented to the Board of Directors by Jim Bender. In a follow-up silent vote, you were approved for induction. Congratulations!

Your official induction will take place at the Awards Banquet, which will take place on Friday, 04 August 2017 at 6:30 pm at the MassMutual Center in Springfield, Massachusetts in conjunction with the FOHBC 2017 National Antique Bottle Convention & Expo.

The FOHBC is pleased to offer you one complimentary ticket to the banquet and accommodations for you at the convention hotel for one night.

Please let me know if you will be able to attend to personally receive your award so arrangements can be made.

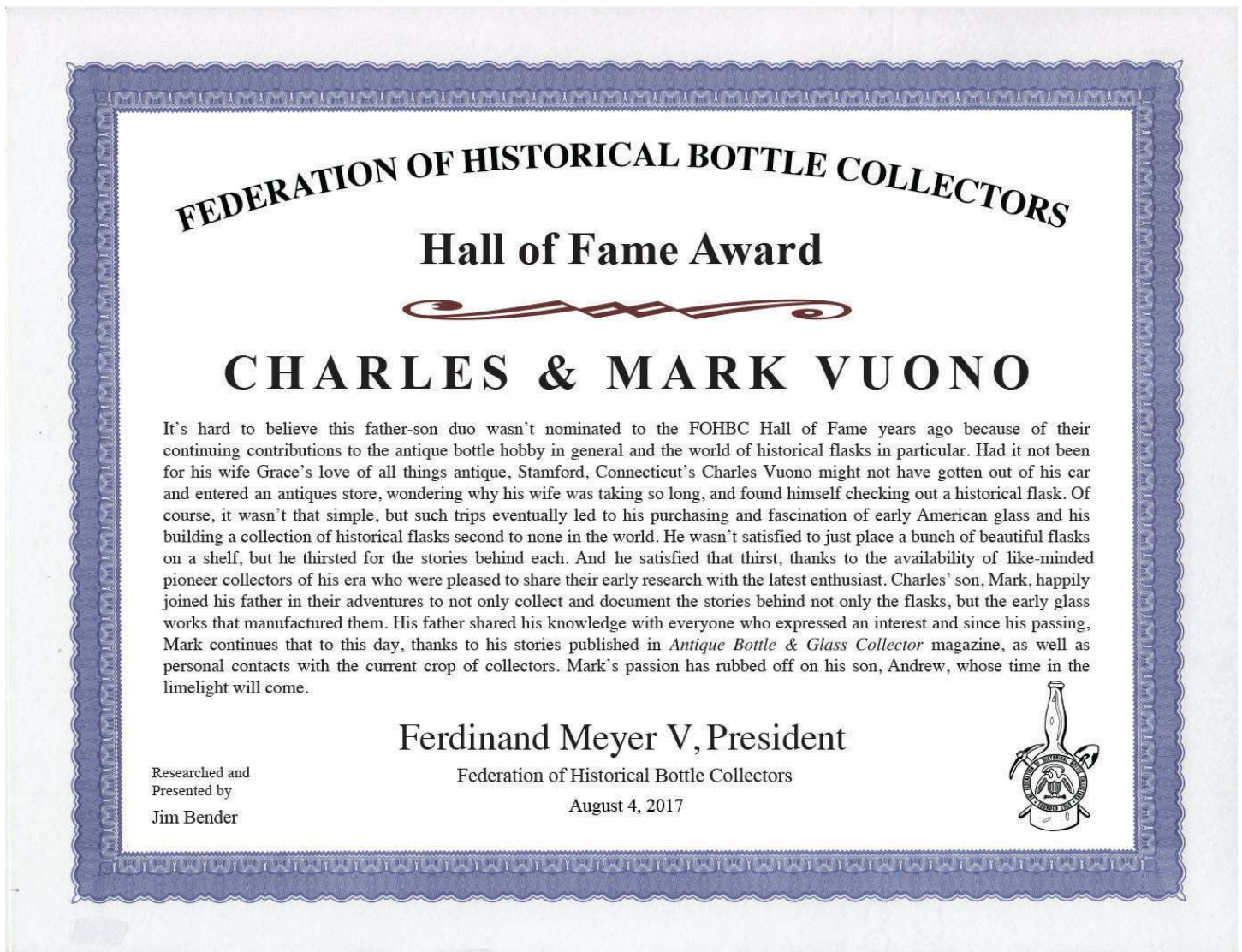
Congratulations on your accomplishment.

Sincerely


Ferdinand Meyer V
FOHBC President

Appendix B: Certificate

A typical certificate is shown below. Certificate is to include the honor received, name of the individual, a summary of achievements being recognized, the presenter, date and the signature of the FOHBC President.



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Plaque

The Hall of Fame plaque shall be approximately 10 1/2 x 16 inches by 1/2 - 5/8 inches thick in size, and display an approximately 5 x 7 inch photograph of the inductee, and an approximately 5 x 7 inch image of the certificate.

Plaques may be obtained from the following:

Thermo Plaque Company, Inc.

Attn: Luke Floor
14928 Calvert Street
Van Nuys, California 91411
LukeFloor@earthlink.net

The 2017 price was \$79.95 each. They are 16 x 10 1/2 inches x 1/2 inch thick with a beveled edge accented in gold and laminated with gloss finish. Price does not include shipping and handling.

Hall of Fame Book:

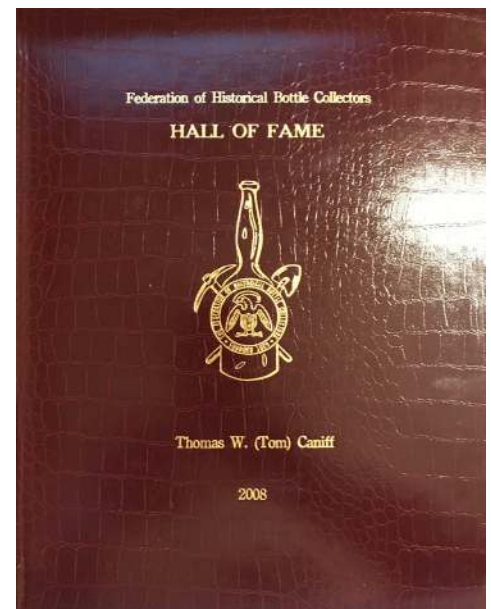
The book shall be a bound copy of the standard 8 1/2 x 11 inch nomination document for the inductee, and include a copy of the certificate, and an approximately 8 1/2 x 11 inch photograph of the inductee. The cover shall be a reddish brown in color with lizard type surface pattern with gold stamped printing similar to the previous inductee books. An example of the book cover is pictured on the right and a layout follows. Recently, the books have been being prepared and bound at:

Absolute Color

5810 Windfern Road
Houston, Texas 77041
713.996.0202
Attn: Mark Chance
mchance@absolutecolor.net

Cost for producing two (2) books in 2017 (46-pages each) was \$481.

The bookbinder will need the FOHBC stamp for the cover. Either the Chairman of the Hall of Fame Committee, or the Business Manager shall maintain the stamp. Lettering for cover will be supplied by the bookbinder as a proof based on art provided.



Typical layout for cover and spine of FOHBC Hall of Fame book. The spine has: Name, year, and HALL OF FAME letters in capitals.

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Appendix C: Additional Clarification of Qualifications and Requirements for the Hall of Fame

Hall of Fame nominees should meet or exceed the criteria below:

1. Be an individual who is nationally and/or internationally known by collectors for their significant contributions, and/or achievements in the bottle-collecting hobby, and
2. Initiated, organized, and/or created a significant new and innovative activity, event, or project for the bottle-collecting hobby i.e.
 - a. Initiated idea of a bottle museum, gathering information, promoting and leading its establishment, or
 - b. Originated the idea of a national bottle show and convention, mobilized support, helped organize, and provided leadership to allow the idea to happen, or
 - c. Be an avid collector who amassed such a significant collection that it was nationally known, provided new insights into collecting within a particular category through study and research of the collection and made the collection available for study by researchers and other interested individuals, or
3. Performed significant research regarding bottles manufacture, production, use, and/or distribution, leading to publication of articles and/or books. Author of significant reference book or material used in the bottle-collecting hobby.

Examples of individuals qualifying for Hall of Fame:

Individual A: A nationally known long-time collector who amassed a significant collection in several collecting categories. Prepared and published a reference book on a collecting category, combining all previous known information on the subject, becoming a standard reference used by collectors and researchers for many years. Gave talks at many bottle club meetings and participated in other activities promoting the bottle hobby. Often displayed at bottle shows. Donated bottles to a number of museums and maintained a bottle display at a prominent museum. Long time FOHBC member and served on the Board of Directors.

Individual B: Is an avid collector and dealer who envisioned having a national bottle show to celebrate the United States Bicentennial in 1976. Since the Federation was not able to financially follow through with this first national bottle convention, he volunteered his own money to be reimbursed after show profits were collected. It was his vision and chairmanship of that show that created lasting strength for sustaining the Federation and having national FOHBC bottle shows. This was the crowning achievement of his three decades of local and national leadership in the bottle-collecting hobby.

Individual C: A nationally known avid collector and researcher. Provided information and bottles used in more than ten bottle reference books. Participated in updating and publishing a major bottle collecting reference book. Performed original research and published articles on several different families of bottles. Displayed at over 100 bottle shows. Provided meeting room for local bottle club for many years. Served on FOHBC Board of Directors for a number of years.

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Individual D: A nationally known and avid early collector who amassed collections in several very significant collecting categories. Authored two early books on collecting bottles, one of which sold more copies than any other antique bottle-collecting book. Active in the original formation of the Federation of Historical Bottle Clubs, served on the Board of Directors a number of times. Active in local bottle club and regularly held open houses in conjunction with the shows.

Individual E: Nationally and internationally known avid early collector and historian who amassed the most complete collection ever in one of the major collecting categories. Wrote a reference book on the collecting category, which combined all previous cataloging of the category and introduced new and original formatting and bottle cataloging identification systems that set the standard for reference books published since that time. This reference book, which has been updated, remains the standard reference work for this category of bottle collecting all over the world and has helped make this one of the most collected categories of bottles. The sale of the collection was a significant event for collectors.

Individual F: An avid collector, researcher, and historian who published four books on a major collecting category. His publications included not only listing of the bottles but extensive history, time frames of the products and producer, and where examples have been found. He was a significant factor in creating broad interest in the history and collecting of these bottles. These books remain today as the standard reference books for these bottles. His long time hobby was collecting the bottles, and related items and advertising.