



Samples for the 2025 Obermayer Awards Nomination Form

This document includes samples of materials to support the 2025 Obermayer Awards nomination form. These samples are meant as general guidelines. They are adapted from documents submitted with previous successful nominations. The samples include:

1. Sample Index of Letters
2. Two sample Letters of Support
3. Sample Index of Supplementary Material.

SAMPLE INDEX OF LETTERS

Please include an index for the letters of support you submit. This sample demonstrates the preferred format.

INDEX of Letters of Support

1. **Ruth Cohen - USA** - Impact reference - met nominee while traveling to Germany in 2019,
2. **David Vogel - Germany** - Personal reference - principle of High School in Berlin
3. **Kristin Simpson - USA** - Impact reference - granddaughter of German Jews from Berlin
4. **Erik Steiner - Germany** - Impact reference - former student of nominee at High School, graduated in 2018
5. **Dr. Sara Kramer - Germany** - Expert reference - museum director in Berlin, expert in local history
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SAMPLE LETTERS OF SUPPORT

LETTER 1

To whom it may concern,

I am very pleased to recommend NOMINEE for an Obermayer Award. Several years ago, I discovered that my German Jewish family had roots in the town of XXXXX. Somehow NOMINEE found me. She invited me to attend the memorial to the Jewish families of XXXXX, which she helped to organize as part of her work volunteering with the local museum in XXXXX. She also did extensive and important genealogy information about my family that I would never have been able to find on my own. Due to her help, I was able to learn much about my German Jewish family in XXXXX, as well as neighboring XXXXX. Eventually we were even able to meet some living relatives as well! Through her work, NOMINEE helped me to re-establish my historical connection to this area of Germany. Her dedication deserves special recognition and I wholeheartedly support her nomination. Please do not hesitate to contact me for any further information or clarification of this statement of support.

Sincerely yours,
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LETTER 2

Dear Sir or Madam,

The NOMINEE organizes every year a number of events in memory of the victims of the Nazi period. These events are for the families of descendants all over the world, but often resonate with current members of their community in Germany. Through various activities, and in cooperation with many young people and students, the residents of Hamburg are engaging an integral part of their local memory and building bridges abroad.

The NOMINEE'S part in the discovery of this special history is of immense importance for the descendants' families, and as part of the narrative how the past can impact the future. We highly appreciate the association's activities and its determination to bring together relatives from Israel to the memorial site in Hamburg for these meaningful ceremonies. The encounter between the various families of descendants who share this history creates such intense and unique emotions, all of which encourage participants to return every year. This connection, and the many people they meet in the city during their visits, is truly a gift.

Furthermore, aside from the relevance to the older generation, it brings a deep and profound understanding of family history to many from the younger generations involved. Renewal and education encourages critical thoughts on education and pluralism amongst our different societies. We are convinced that NOMINEE especially deserves the Obermayer Award for it's important grassroots activities which we cherish so much.

Family XXXXX from Israel.
June 2024

(Address)

(Email)

(Phone contact)

SAMPLE INDEX OF SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

INDEX of Supplementary Items

1. Link to video on Youtube - www.youtube.com/134133
2. Link to German high school website, showing project details - www.highschool.de
3. PDF with photos of event in 2021
4. PDF of newspaper articles from 2018
5. PDF with an excerpt from book written by nominee in 2011
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