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International Whitewater Hall of Fame Returns to Nuremberg Class of 2019 Induction Ceremony to be Held at PADDLEXPO

Fredericksburg, Virginia, USA – The [International Whitewater Hall of Fame](http://www.iwhof.org) (IWHoF) will honor its Class of 2019 during the PADDLEXPO Industry Dinner, 5 October during the 2019 [PADDLEexpo](http://www.paddleexpo.com) in Nuremberg, Germany.

"We are extremely excited to host this year's nomination, selection, and induction at PADDLEXPO for the second time, but for the first time since entering a partnership with the [American Canoe Association \(ACA\)](http://www.americancanoe.org)," comments Risa Shimoda, Chair, IWHOF Board of Governors and 2010 honoree. "From the ACA's perspective," notes Christopher Stec, Chief Operating Officer, "we are excited to serve as the parent organization of IWHOF as we meet an international paddle sport audience."

Horst Fuersattel, PADDLEexpo Manager, shares, "It is a pleasure and honor to welcome the IWHoF and the new inductees. Visitors and exhibitors love to see and meet legends and heroes of their sport in person, and PADDLEexpo appreciates the opportunity to support the work of this organization." [PADDLEexpo runs 4-6 October](http://www.paddleexpo.com) at the Exhibition Centre.

"In 2018, PADDLEexpo attracted international visitors from 48 nations making this an excellent venue to honor the 2019 International Whitewater Hall of Fame Inductees," notes Pamela Dillon, IWHOF Board of Governors.

The IWHOF nomination form asks for a connection to an IWHOF Affiliate Organization, whose leaders may be asked to confirm the validity of the submitted materials. Screening, electorate voting, and final honoree selection will occur in May, 2019 and announcement of the IWHOF Class of 2019 will take place in early June.

"Even a legend must be nominated to have an opportunity to be honored," notes Board of Governors member and Class of 2009 inductee Rafael Gallo. "We encourage all whitewater fans whose heroes and heroines have not yet been nominated to nominate them this year!"

Individuals who have submitted nominations before 2013 are encouraged to update their prior submissions. Nomination forms, instructions, and the election procedure and timeline are available at iwhof.org, along with information about past Inductees.

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About the International Whitewater Hall of Fame (IWHOF)

The International Whitewater Hall of Fame (IWHOF) is a program of the American Canoe Association, a national non-profit organization serving the broader paddling public by providing education related to all aspects of paddling. IWHOF is run by an international Board of Governors who hail from various paddling backgrounds. Nominations are sought and submitted through IWHOF Affiliates around the world and screened by an international panel. Over 100 members of the IWHOF electorate cast votes in each category to determine the year's honorees in the categories of Pioneer, Explorer, Champion and Advocate.
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