



December 22, 2025

Greetings,

The planned announcement for the 15th anniversary of the International Santa Claus Hall of Fame, set for December 22, 2025, has been postponed for a week. The 2025 class will be made public at that time. Please read the following carefully.

With a bigger class, it will take time to notify all that have been selected. The deadline for the nomination process was last August 2025. This year a record of over 150 nominations were made. More than, nearly 8 times, not including the posthumous nominations. The final process starts on December 6th, St. Nicholas Day, which is a short window for this amount nominations this year. In the future, starting in 2026, the announcement of the International Santa Claus Hall of Fame will be made after the Season.

As of today, not all the notifications have been made, and the rest are coming this week. With so many busy, it is very hard to make contact. Please note that notifications come by phone call by an International Santa Claus Hall of Fame member. And never by email. If you received an email about your Hall of Fame selection, it did not come from the Hall.

In the past month many more nominations have come in. These are past the deadline for this year's class. Please follow the guidelines page and reapply next year for the Class of 2026.

<https://santaclaushall.com/nominate/>

We apologize for any inconvenience and are looking forward to announcing the Class of 2025 to the International Santa Claus Hall of Fame very soon.

Sincerely,

Phillip L. Wenz

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