

IASD Culture-Keeper Membership Application

The Culture-Keeper designation for IASD membership, carrying the benefit of reduced-cost annual fee, was established to recognize the special contributions to dream studies and dreamwork by carriers of authentic traditions transmitted by intergenerational ethnic communities, tribes, and sovereign Indigenous nations. Culture-Keepers preserve the most profound roots of our respect for dreams, dream study, and dreamworkers, often without the institutional recognition and financial compensation accorded to academic credentials, though their training is as rigorous and their knowledge as vital to the IASD mission.

The Culture Keeper membership is intended for persons with experience in the dream traditions of a particular established ethnic/cultural group that has been historically marginalized in dream research and dream studies.

To apply for the Culture-Keeper membership, please submit:

1. A brief statement of how you trained in traditional dream knowledge and methods (maximum 500 words)
and
2. *Select one* of the following options to provide references from those who can attest to your authentic awareness and experience in traditional methods:
 - a) A signed endorsement from a tribal/community leader
 - b) A signed endorsement from 5 members of your community, preferably not related to you
 - c) In the case of Indigenous peoples, evidence of tribal affiliation

Procedure

Please email your completed application to the IASD DAC: diversityresponse@asdreams.org
The DAC looks forward to reading your application and will reply to you as soon as possible to determine if this is the best category for your IASD Membership.

Thank you!

Warmest regards,

The IASD Diversity Task Force Advisory Committee (DAC)