

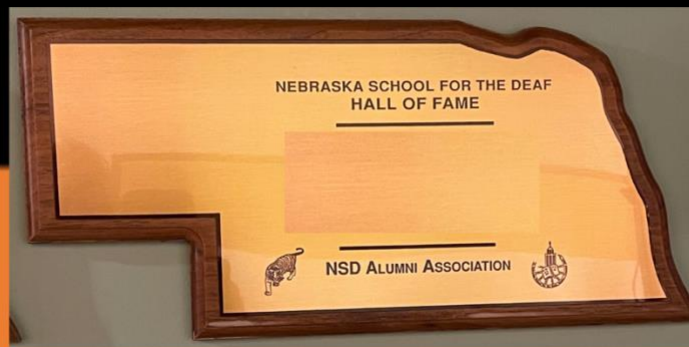
NEBRASKA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

HALL OF FAME

Established the Hall of Fame in 1989

The purpose Nebraska School for the Deaf Alumni Association (NSDAA) established the Hall of Fame to honor individuals who have shown outstanding accomplishments in one of the ACCESS areas: Arts, Community Service, Education, and Sports, at Nebraska School for the Deaf, college, or adult life. Special Recognition may also be awarded.

Who will be the Inductees of Nebraska School for the Deaf Alumni Association Hall of Fame 2024?





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REGINA OLSON HUGHES

IN RECOGNITION OF HER CONTRIBUTIONS
TO THE FIELD OF BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION

Inducted in 2024



NSD Alumni Association



Regina Olson Hughes- her life experience

Regina graduated NSD in 1914 and she earned both BA and MA degrees from Gallaudet College. Gallaudet also awarded Regina an honorary doctorate in 1967. She was fluent in four languages: French, Spanish, Portuguese, and Italian. She was served as a translator for the U.S. Department of State during World War I. She also worked for other government agencies, such as the Department of Agriculture, as a scientific illustrator. She later worked for the Smithsonian until she retired at age 95.

There is a plant called Hughesia reginae and it was named in Regina's honor.



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HERBERT LARSON

*IN RECOGNITION OF HIS CONTRIBUTIONS
TO THE LEADERSHIP IN EDUCATION AND MEDIA*

Inducted in 2024



NSD Alumni Association



Herbert Larson- his life experience

Herb graduated from NSD in 1951. After obtaining his B.S. at Gallaudet College, Herb began his journey as an educator at several programs for the deaf and hard of hearing students, first at Wisconsin for the Deaf, then in a California mainstreamed program, then principal of a regional high school/day school program in California. Herb obtained his M.A. in 1965 from the National Leadership Training Program (NLTP). Herb later returned NLTP as an instructor in 1972, then joined the National Center on Deafness (NCOD) at California State University-Northridge in 1979. He was a director there for 18 years from 1990 until his retirement in 1998.

Educator and leadership were not the only the successful thing Herb did in his life. He was a host for 10 years of the Emmy Award-winning cable TV talk show for the Deaf, Off Hand. He was known as the “Deaf Johnny Carson.” Herb also had received numerous service awards.

