



The Odisha Society of the Americas

Call for Nominations - OSA 2025-2027 Election

Dear OSA Members,

The OSA Election Committee, as established by the General Body, is now accepting nominations for the following positions for the 2025-2027 term:

- **President & Vice-President**
- **Secretary**
- **Treasurer**

According to the OSA Constitution, candidates for the offices of President & Vice-President must run on a joint ticket. A vote for the Presidential candidate automatically counts as a vote for their running mate for Vice-President. The elections for Secretary and Treasurer will be conducted separately.

Nomination Requirements:

- **Eligibility:** Nominators, seconders, and nominees must be OSA Life Members, Patrons, or Benefactors for at least one year prior to the nomination date, and 21 years of age or older as of January 31, 2025.
- **Nomination Packet:** Each nomination must include:
 - The position being sought
 - A short candidate profile (maximum 150 words, including election goals, biography, and contact details)
 - A photograph of the candidate (JPG, GIF, or PNG format, under 2MB)
 - Proof of age (e.g., a photocopy of a driver's license, passport, birth certificate, or a notarized statement confirming the nominee is 21 years or older as of January 31, 2025).
 - Contact information for all, the nominee, nominator, seconder (address, phone number, and email).

All nominations must be submitted by **January 31, 2025, 11:59 PM CST** using the online forms provided at the bottom of this document. Incomplete or incorrect information or contact details may result in the rejection of the nomination.

Important Election Rule Updates:

- 1. Executive Committee Re-election:** As per Proposal #5.ii approved at the 2021 GBM, current Executive Committee members may contest for re-election, with a limit of two consecutive terms in the same role.
- 2. Nomination Withdrawal:** Candidates can withdraw their nomination within 4 weeks of filing.

Election Timeline:

- **January 31, 2025, 11:59 PM CST:** Deadline for submitting nominations.
- **February 28, 2025, 11:59 PM CST:** Deadline for candidates to withdraw their nominations.
- **March 9, 2025:** Election ballots will be sent to eligible members via email.
- **April 6, 2025, 11:59 PM CST:** Deadline for members to cast their votes online.
- **April 27, 2025:** Election results will be notified to the OSA President.

We request Chapter Presidents and members of the Board of Governors to assist in widely disseminating this announcement. For any information or changes related to membership details, please reach out to the OSA Secretary, **Mrs. Santwana Dash**, at **secretary@odishasociety.org**. We are expecting to receive the latest official ballot list, including all eligible voters from the OSA Secretary by **January 10, 2025**.

The online nomination forms are provided below. Nominators are requested to complete the form, sign it, and upload the required supporting documents related to the candidate's profile. All election-related correspondence should be sent via email to **OSAElection2025@gmail.com**.

Thank you for your participation in this important process.

Sincerely,

2025 OSA Election Committee

Madhusudan Khuntia (Chair), Sachi Pati, Santanu Das

OSA 2025-2027 ELECTION - NOMINATION FORMS



President & Vice-President

Link to the form: <https://near.tl/sm/6iaHWp5nP/>



Secretary

Link to the form: <https://near.tl/sm/52aGu L9t/>



Treasurer

Link to the form: <https://near.tl/sm/5Ptl8S--/>

Please Note:

- **President & Vice-President** nominations must be submitted together as a slate.
- **Secretary & Treasurer** nominations must be submitted independently.