



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Society Notices

Call for Nominations: ESA Awards

The Awards Committee of the Ecological Society of America solicits and encourages nominations from members of the ESA for each of the awards listed below. *ESA especially encourages nominations of candidates from traditionally underrepresented groups, including women and minorities.* In preparing a nomination, it would be helpful to consult with the Chair of the specific award subcommittee or the Awards Committee Chair. More information about the process is available on ESA's web page <<http://www.esa.org>> under ESA Awards.

Nomination schedule

To be given full consideration, nominations for awards should be completed by **30 November 2005**. They should be submitted directly to Chairs of the specific award subcommittees (e-mail addresses below) or to the Awards Committee Chair, Judith L. Bronstein, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona 85721, (520) 621-3534, fax (520) 621-9190, <judieb@email.arizona.edu>. A complete statement on policies and procedures for the ESA Awards may be obtained by contacting the address above.

Robert H. MacArthur Award

The MacArthur Award is given to an established ecologist in mid-career for meritorious contributions to ecology, in the expectation of continued outstanding ecological research. Nominees may be from any country and need not be ESA members. This award is given in alternate years, and the recipient is invited to

address the membership at the Annual Meeting following his/her selection. Recent recipients include Stephen R. Carpenter, James H. Brown, and May Berenbaum. Nominations consisting of a letter of nomination, up to two supporting letters, and a recent CV should be sent to Robert Colwell, Chair of the ESA MacArthur Award Subcommittee <colwell@uconn.edu>.

Eminent Ecologist Award

The Eminent Ecologist Award is given to a senior ecologist in recognition of an outstanding body of ecological work or of sustained ecological contributions of extraordinary merit. Nominees may be from any country and need not be ESA members. Recipients receive lifetime active membership in the Society. Recent recipients include Charles Krebs, Richard Root, Sam McNaughton, and Lawrence Slobodkin. To submit a nomination, contact Paul Dayton, Chair, Eminent Ecologist Award Subcommittee <pdayton@ucsd.edu>.

Odum Education Award

The Eugene P. Odum Award recognizes an ecologist for outstanding work in ecology education. This award was generously endowed by, and named for, the distinguished ecologist Eugene P. Odum. Through teaching, outreach, and mentoring activities, recipients of this award have demonstrated their ability to relate basic ecological principles to human affairs. Nominations recognizing achievements in education at the university, K-12, and public levels are all encouraged. Recent recipients include Alan Berkowitz, Richard Root, and James Porter. To submit a nomination, contact Charlene d'Avanzo, Chair, ESA Odum Education Award Subcommittee <cdavanzo@hampshire.edu>.

Honorary Member Award

Honorary Membership in the Society is given to a distinguished ecologist who has made exceptional contributions to ecology and whose principal residence and site of ecological research are outside of North America. Up to three awards may be made in any one year until a total of 20 is reached. Nominations of women and minority candidates, as well as those from developing countries, are especially encouraged. Recent honorees include Norman Owen-Smith, Madhav Gadgil, Carlos Herrera, and Erkki Haukioja. To submit a nomination, contact Sandra Tartowski, Chair, Honorary Member Award Subcommittee <slt2@cornell.edu>.

George Mercer Award

The Mercer Award is given for an outstanding ecological research paper published by a younger researcher (the lead author must be 40 years of age or younger at the time of publication). If the award is given for a paper with multiple authors, all authors will receive a plaque, and those 40 years of age or younger at the time of publication will share the monetary prize. The paper must have been published in 2004 or 2005 to be eligible for the 2005 award. Nominees may be from any country and need not be ESA members. Recent recipients include Jean L. Richardson, John Stachowicz, and Daniel Bolnick. Nominations should be sent to Ellen Simms, Chair, Mercer Award Subcommittee <esimms@berkeley.edu>.

W. S. Cooper Award

The W. S. Cooper Award is given to honor an outstanding contributor to the fields of geobotany and/or physiographic ecology, the fields in which W. S. Cooper worked. This award is for a single contribution in a scientific publication (single or multiple authored). Nominees need not be ESA members and can be of any nationality. Recent recipients include David Fos-

ter and coauthors; Jack Williams and coauthors; and Daniel Gavin and coauthors. Nominations should be sent to Steven Jackson, Chair, Cooper Award Subcommittee <jackson@uwyo.edu>.

Distinguished Service Citation

The Distinguished Service Citation is given to recognize long and distinguished service to the ESA, to the larger scientific community, and to the larger purpose of ecology in the public welfare. Recent recipients are H. Ronald Pulliam, Allen M. Solomon, Jim Reichman, and Jim MacMahon. To submit a nomination, contact Paul Dayton, Chair, Distinguished Service Citation Subcommittee <pd Dayton@ucsd.edu>.

Sustainability Science Award

The Sustainability Science Award is given to the authors of a scholarly work that makes the greatest contribution to the emerging science of ecosystem and regional sustainability through the integration of ecological and social sciences. One of the most pressing challenges facing humanity is the sustainability of important ecological, social, and cultural processes in the face of changes in the forces that shape ecosystems and regions. This ESA award is for a single scholarly contribution (book, book chapter, or peer-reviewed journal article) published in the last 5 years. Nominees need not be ESA members and can be of any age, nationality, or place of residence. Recent recipients are Marten Scheffer and colleagues, and Thomas Dietz and colleagues. To submit a nomination, please contact Terry Chapin, Chair of the Sustainability Science Award Subcommittee <terry.chapin@uaf.edu>.

Corporate Award

The Corporate Award is given to recognize a corporation, business, division, program, or an individual of a company for accomplishments in incorporating sound ecological concepts, knowledge, and practices

into planning and operating procedures. This award was designed to encourage use of ecological concepts in business and private industry and to enhance communication among ecologists in the private sector. Educational institutions and government agencies are not eligible for this award. Recent recipients of the Corporate Award include Adam Davis of EPRI Solutions, Cornell University's Department of Utilities and Energy Management, Norm Thompson Outfitters, Taylor Guitars, and Bon Appétit Management Company.

The award can be made each year in any one of the following six categories:

A) Environmental Education:

Organizations producing educational materials in print, film, video, software, or multimedia formats; conducting workshops or training sessions; or providing other types of educational products or services that are primarily concerned with environmental education.

B) Stewardship of Land Resources:

Organizations concerned with the use of land resources, land-use planning, multiple use of land resources, resource extraction, land development, and related activities.

C) Resource Recycling:

Organizations concerned with the recovery, reclamation, or recycling of natural resources such as wood and paper products, glass, metals, waste water, and related residuals.

D) Amelioration of Risks from Hazardous and Toxic Substances:

Organizations concerned with the safe manufacturing, distribution, and use of hazardous and toxic substances, those concerned with the identification and reduction of risks, as well as those in mitigative and restorative activities.

E) Sustainability of Biological Resources in Terrestrial Environments:

Organizations concerned with forestry, wildlife management, range management, and agroecosystems, including areas such as soil conservation, integrated pest management, fertilization, irrigation, hybridization, and genetic engineering.

F) Sustainability of Biological Resources in Aquatic Environments:

Organizations concerned with aquaculture and commercial fishing, including shellfishing and related industries; sports fishing, boating, and related recreational uses; lake management and restoration; wetlands protection and restoration; channelization; dredging; and related activities.

Nominations for the Corporate award may be made by industrial representatives, government officials, the general public, ESA members, or by members of the ESA Corporate Award Subcommittee. To submit a nomination or to obtain more information about the nomination procedure, please contact Laura Huenneke, Corporate Award Subcommittee <Laura.Huenneke@nau.edu>.

STUDENT AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN ECOLOGY

Murray F. Buell Award and E. Lucy Braun Award

Murray F. Buell had a long and distinguished record of service and accomplishment in the Ecological Society of America. Among other things, he ascribed great importance to the participation of students in meetings and to excellence in the presentation of papers. To honor his selfless dedication to the younger generation of ecologists, the Murray F. Buell Award for Excellence in Ecology is given to a student for the outstanding oral paper presented at the ESA Annual Meeting.

E. Lucy Braun, an eminent plant ecologist and one of the charter members of the Society, studied and mapped the deciduous forest regions of eastern North America and described them in her classic book, *The Deciduous Forests of Eastern North America*. To honor her, the E. Lucy Braun Award for Excellence in Ecology is given to a student for the outstanding poster presentation at the ESA Annual Meeting.

A candidate for these awards must be an undergraduate, a graduate student, or a recent doctorate not more than 9 months past graduation at the time of the meeting. The paper or poster must be presented as part of the program sponsored by the Ecological Society of America, but the student need not be an ESA member. To be eligible for these awards the student must be the sole or senior author of the oral paper (Note: symposium talks are ineligible) or poster. Papers and posters will be judged on the significance of ideas, creativity, quality of methodology, validity of conclusions drawn from results, and clarity of presentation. While all students are encouraged to participate, winning papers and posters typically describe fully completed projects. The students selected for these awards will be announced in the *ESA Bulletin* following the Annual Meeting. A certificate and a check for \$500 will be presented to each recipient at the next ESA Annual Meeting.

If you wish to be considered for either of these awards at the 2006 Annual Meeting, you must send the following to the Chair of the Student Awards Subcommittee: (1) the application form below, (2) a copy of your abstract, and (3) a 250-word or less description of why/how the research presented will advance the field of ecology. Because of the large number of applications for the Buell and Braun awards in recent years, applicants may be pre-screened prior to the meeting, based on the quality of the abstract and this description of the significance of their research. The application form, abstract, and research justification must be sent by mail, fax, or **e-mail (e-mail is preferred; send e-mail to sacchi@kutztown.edu)** to the Chair of the Student Awards Subcommittee: Dr. Christopher F. Sacchi, Department of Biology, Kutztown University of PA, Kutztown, PA 19530 USA. If you have questions, write, call (610) 683-4314, fax (610) 683-4854, or **e-mail: sacchi@kutztown.edu**. You will be provided with suggestions for enhancing a paper or poster. The deadline for submission of form and abstract is 1 March 2006; applications sent after 1 March 2006 will not be considered. **This submission is in addition to the regular abstract submission.** Buell/Braun participants who fail to notify the B/B Chair by 1 May of withdrawal from the meeting will be ineligible, barring exceptional circumstances, for consideration in the future. Electronic versions of the Application Form are available on the ESA web site, or you can send an e-mail to **sacchi@kutztown.edu** and request that an electronic version be sent to you as an attachment.

Application Form for Buell or Braun Award

Name _____

Current Mailing Address _____

Current Telephone _____

E-mail _____

College/University Affiliation _____

Title of Presentation _____

Presentation: Paper (Buell Award) _____ Poster (Braun Award) _____

At the time of presentation I will be (check one):

_____ an undergraduate student _____ a graduate student _____ a recent doctorate not more than 9 months past graduation

I will be the sole _____/senior _____ author (check one) of the paper/poster.

Signed (electronic signatures are OK)

Please attach a copy of your abstract and 250-word or less description of why/how the research presented will advance the field of ecology.

2005 Student Awards Judges

The 2005 Student Awards Selection Subcommittee, Christopher F. Sacchi (Chair), Anita Davelos Baines, Judie Bronstein, Peter Kotanen, Paul Marino, and J. Alan Yeakley, thank the following individuals for judging presented papers and posters at this year's Annual Meeting in Montreal, Canada.

Lynn Adler
Peter Adler
Roger Anderson
Sara Baer
Randy Balice
Caroline Bampfylde
Jayne Belnap
Rick Black
Dee Boersma
Dorothy Boorse
David Boose
Jere Boudell
John Briggs
Judie Bronstein
Jill Bubier
Yvonne Buckley
David Busch
Jeb Byers
Prassede Calabi
Hilary Callahan
Chris Caruso
Norm Christensen
Louise Comas
William J. Cromartie
Irina Danielova
Jared DeForest
Joseph Fail
Sylvia Fallon
Joe Fargione
Adrien Finzi
Jeremy Fox
Stephen Freedman
Tadashi Fukami
Janice Golding

Lou Gross
Jeff Herrick
Brett Goodwin
Paul Grogan
Kevin Gross
Caleb Hickman
Karen Holl
Nat Holland
Claus Holzapfel
Jeff Houser
Robert Humston
Jonathan Jeschke
Adam Kay
Catherine Kleier
Brian Kloeppel
Jessica Knapp
Mary Beth Kolozsvary
Nicola Koper
Abby Kula
Sharon Lawler
Josh Leffler
Deborah Letourneau
Kathleen LoGiudice
Stephen Main
Jennifer Mattei
Audrey Mayer
Paul Mayer
Kathy McGrath
Wendy McIntyre
Scott Meiners
Michael Melampy
Beth Middleton
Shahroukh Mistry
Charles Mitchell
Randy Mitchell

S Raghu
Tara Rajaniemi
Kiyoko Miyanishi
Sherri Morris
Karen Nelson
Chris Paradise
Brian Pedersen
Karl Polivka
Evan Preisser
Tom Romdal
Bill Romme
Jay Rosenheim
M Rudnicki
Patricia Saunders
Eric Schaubert
Sanna Sevanto
Jonathan Shurin
David Slingsby
Melinda Smith
Allen Solomon
Steve Stein
Jarrod Thaxton
Cassandra Thomas
Daniel Tinker
Nuri Trigo Boix
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