



CANADIAN PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTIST AWARD

Terms of reference

The Geoscientists Canada award was established in 2005 to recognize outstanding contributions to the development and/or practice of professional geoscience by an individual who advances public recognition of the practice of professional geoscience in Canada.

Nominations are sought annually in the late fall, for selection in winter and presentation in the spring. The award is presented at the home association of the award recipient, by President of the Geoscientists Canada or a designate.

The award consists of a labradorite marble sculpture created by a Canadian geoscientist artist.



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The award does not have to be conferred on an annual basis.

General information

Eligibility

- The candidate will have demonstrated a solid professional career with outstanding service to the community, along with their dedication and commitment through countless hours of volunteer work on behalf of one of the Constituent Associations or to the Geoscientists Canada.
- He or she must be registered as a professional geoscientist in a Constituent Association at the time the nomination is proposed.
- The Award is normally given to a person in mid-to-late career, who has been around long enough so he/she has the reputation and opportunity to make an outstanding contribution to the professional and technical community.
- Candidates who have retired and are therefore no longer practicing are also eligible.
- Current members of Geoscientists Canada Council are excluded from receiving the Award.



Nominations

The Nomination has two parts:

1. Nominating Form: Filled in by a Constituent Association and signed by 5 members of any Constituent Association in good standing. **Nominations are officially sent by a Constituent Association Officer.** Only one nomination per Constituent Association per year.

2. Letter of Support: This should provide a summary in plain language of why the person is being nominated, addressing the following points in language which crosses geoscience boundaries and communicates why this person's contribution is significant:
 - a. Summary of involvement to the Constituent Association;
 - b. Academic background (post- secondary only);
 - c. Career profile with a summary of areas of achievement or distinction;
 - d. Brief career path summary in chronological detail, which should be verifiable. This should highlight unique or otherwise significant accomplishments, current areas of work/interest, important publications, etc.;
 - e. Involvement in other technical/professional societies. All acronyms should be spelled out;
 - f. Community involvement: if applicable. Organization names should be accurate;
 - g. Any additional information desired;
 - h. Closure: summing up why nominee deserves the award.

Unsuccessful nominations in their first year of nomination will be allowed to stand automatically as nominees in the following two consecutive years. After 3 years, to be considered again, the same candidate must be re-nominated, in which case the re-nomination will apply for a further three years period. There is no limit to the number of times a candidate can be nominated.

Only one nominee is permitted from any one Constituent Association in any one year. The receipt of a new nominee means that the previous nominee from that Constituent Association is no longer eligible.

Please send the nomination documents to:

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