

Alliance for New Jersey Environmental Education

2024 EXCELLENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AWARDS

INVITATION TO NOMINATE

You are invited to nominate a talented environmental education professional for ANJEE's Annual Excellence in Environmental Education Awards.

Winners will be honored at an awards event in September 2024.

HOW TO NOMINATE

Nominations require a completed nomination form and a minimum of two, but no more than four, letters of recommendation. See nomination form attached. The letters should include all of the information described here pertaining to the award for which you are nominating someone. Be as detailed and descriptive as possible.

GUIDELINES & REQUIREMENTS

- Please submit the attached Awards Nomination Form by May 1, 2024, to awards@anjee.org
- **Only electronic submissions will be accepted.** To submit, edit this electronic MS Word file, save changes and e-mail with accompanying letters as an attachment to awards@anjee.org
- All accompanying letters must be MS Word documents.*
- Your email subject heading *must* contain the words "Award nomination" and your candidate's name. For example: "Award Nomination Jane Smith" Do not hit "reply" on your email; send it as a new thread.
- ANJEE membership is not a requirement for the nominee or the person nominating them. In case of a close decision between nominees, however, ANJEE membership will be a plus.
- Current members of the ANJEE Executive Board are not eligible for these awards.

DON'T DELAY... NOMINATE A DESERVING ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATOR TODAY! Nomination form & letters must arrive via email by **May 1, 2024**

^{*} The reason that all submissions must be in MS WORD format is so that we can easily use the find and replace feature to replace the candidate's name with a number. To ensure impartial treatment by the judges, the nominee's names are kept anonymous.

CATEGORIES & CRITERIA

Environmental Educator: Formal Sector - Individual OR Partnership

(This award is for classroom teachers in public or private schools) Demonstrate the following:

- 1. The nominee's EE activities have made an impact on or were effective in changing or supplementing current curricula or have been used successfully by others.
- 2. The nominee's EE activities have emphasized and/or practiced the *awareness to action* process with those for whom the activities were intended.
- 3. Partnership Award: The cooperative involvement of two or more educators from different disciplines, the working relationship between them and how the project benefited from it.

Environmental Educator: Non-formal Sector - Works with Schools OR Works with the Public at Large (This award is for non-formal educators who work in non- traditional classrooms, including nature centers, museums, zoos, aquaria, scouting, parks etc.)

Demonstrate the following:

- 1. The nominee has the ability to develop creative, innovative interpretive materials, activities, programs or facilities
- 2. The nominee's EE activities emphasized and/or practiced the *awareness to action* process with those for whom the activities were intended.

Environmental Educator: Higher Education

(This award is for professors, adjuncts etc. in Colleges or Universities) Demonstrate the following:

- 1. The nominee has promoted Environmental Education at the College or University level through teaching or research/publication.
- 2. The nominee's EE activities emphasized and/or practiced the *awareness to action* process for academics at the College or University level.

Pat Skelly Community Award

Honoring volunteer-led groups that support Environmental Education in their local communities Demonstrate the following:

- 1. The nominee is primarily run by volunteers.
- 2. The nominee has provided environmental education in a New Jersey community.
- 3. The nominee's EE activities have proven to benefit residents of the local community.
- 4. The nominee's EE activities emphasized and/or practiced the *awareness to action* process with those for whom the activities were intended.

Patricia F. Kane Lifetime Achievement Award

Demonstrate the following:

- 1. The nominee has shown a commitment to EE activities for most of his/her professional life.
- 2. The nominee is a current resident of New Jersey.
- 3. The nominees EE activities have proven to benefit residents of the state.
- 4. The nominee's activities have the potential to be used by others in the field as measured by publication and distribution.
- 5. The nominee's EE activities emphasized and/or practiced the *awareness to action* process with those for whom the activities were intended.
- 6. The nominee has evolved into a leader in the field of EE, through vocation or avocation.

EXCELLENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AWARDS 2024 AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

Submit completed form, along with a minimum of two, but no more than four, letters of recommendation electronically by **May 1, 2024**

I am nominating (CANDIDATE'S NAME) for the following award (check one): Environmental Educator - Formal Sector (Works in a School) _ Individual _ Partnership (2 or more teachers working together) Environmental Educator – Non-formal Sector (Works in a non-school education setting) _ Works with Schools _ Works with the Public _ Environmental Educator – Higher Education (Works in a College/University) _ Pat Skelly Community Award Patricia F. Kane Lifetime Achievement Award **Candidate's Contact Information** Candidate's Name: (or name of Organization for Pat Skelly Community Award) Candidate's home address: Candidate's work address: Candidate's email: Candidate's phone number: Your (Nominator's) contact information Your name: Your email: Your phone number: Submission Deadline: May 1, 2024 Submit letters of recommendation and this nomination form to: awards@anjee.org. Please follow the submission requirements outlined above.