

Call for Nominations: Environmental Communication Division Awards

Due date: September 1, 2020

Dear NCA Environmental Communication Division Members:

I am pleased to announce the call for this year's Environmental Communication Division Awards. Recipients will be announced at the division's business meeting at the 2020 NCA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana.

The ECD has five awards:

1. Tarla Rai Peterson Book Award in Environmental Communication
2. Stephen P. Depoe Book Chapter Award in Environmental Communication
3. Christine L. Oravec Journal Article Award in Environmental Communication
4. J. Robert Cox Award in Environmental Communication & Civic Engagement
5. Dissertation Award in Environmental Communication

Nominations must be sent to ECD Immediate-Past President and Awards Committee Chair, Bridie McGreavy (bridie.mcgreavy@maine.edu), by September 1, 2020.

For the Research Awards (i.e., 1, 2, 3, and 5 above) the committee will assess nominations based on the following criteria:

- at least one author is a member of the division (the Dissertation Award winner needs to be a member);
- publication must have occurred during the prior two years: between September 1, 2018, and August 31, 2020;
- the nomination addresses significant scholarly questions about the relationship between communication and the environment;
- the nomination demonstrates intellectual rigor appropriate to its mode of inquiry;
- the nomination is forward-looking in its contributions to the field; and
- the nomination has the potential to influence future research in the field.

The Cox Award is a means of recognizing the substantial environmental achievements of members of the NCA Environmental Communication Division that are performed in tandem with their work in the academy. Such achievements include working with various publics on environmental concerns such as leading environmental non-profits, developing communication materials, engaging in creative artistic performances, and related activities.

Criteria used for the Cox Award include:

- commitment to environmental issues through organizational leadership, service and/or activism; and
- engagement over several years at a regional, national, or international scale.

Nomination Submission Notes:

- Both self- and peer-nominations are encouraged for all the award categories.
- Nominations for awards must be accompanied by a letter (Word or PDF format) not to exceed one page explaining how the nominated book, journal article, book chapter, dissertation, or person meets the criteria for that award.
- Nominations for the Research Awards must include an electronic copy of the full manuscript, including book nominations. Book nominators should arrange for an electronic copy of the manuscript to be sent to the committee chair, Bridie McGreavy (bridie.mcgreavy@maine.edu). Dissertation submissions should include the entire dissertation.
- Nominations for the Cox Civic Engagement Award should mention in the letter how the nominator is defining “civic engagement” and how the candidate's work meets that definition. Additionally, they should include the nominee’s CV.

We encourage all division members to consider nominating themselves and/or colleagues and here are two resources that may help identify candidates:

- ECD Digest, a spreadsheet of recent environmental communication scholarship: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1SJ30Ge12ek11ti0pLVpIuo1lBI2ewJcMFfO9WgTUgri/edit#gid=0>. We encourage you to add recent scholarship you’d like people to know about.
- List of previous award winners: <https://sites.google.com/view/ec-nca/awards?authuser=0>. Please consider nominating environmental communication scholars who are deserving of and yet have not received recognition.

Please circulate this call broadly and feel free to contact me with any questions. I look forward to receiving your nominations.

Thanks,
Bridie McGreavy
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