2020 The International Sea Turtle Society Lifetime Achievement Award

The ISTS Lifetime Achievement Award honors an individual who has had a significant impact on sea turtle biology and conservation work through the course of his or her career. Criteria for this award are listed on page 4.

Thank you for your nomination for the ISTS Life-time Achievement Award. To help us evaluate the nominations, we ask that you fill out the following information for your nominee. Please follow the directions on this nomination form, and make sure your nomination is complete.

Please note;

• Letters of reference can be sent in separately.
• Individuals cannot nominate themselves.
• Only current ISTS members are eligible to make ISTS Award nominations (annual membership runs from 1 October to 30 September of the following year).
• Past recipients of the ISTS Lifetime Achievement Award are not eligible to be nominated again for this award.
• Awards will be announced at the Sea Turtle Symposium in Cartagena, Columbia in March 2020.
• Please submit all information and letters of recommendation by 15 November 2019.

Email nominations and letters of support to Shaya Honarvar (honarvar@hawaii.edu) by 15 November 2019, with subject line: “2020 ISTS Lifetime Achievement Award Nomination for [NAME]” or “2020 ISTS Lifetime Achievement Award Letter of Support for [NAME].” (Email is strongly preferred, but please contact Shaya Honarvar if an alternative submission format is required.)

Nominator Information:

Name: ___________________________________________________
Affiliation: ________________________________________________
Email: ____________________________________________________
Phone: ____________________________________________________

Nominee information:

Name: ____________________________________________________
Affiliation: ________________________________________________
Email: ____________________________________________________
Phone: ____________________________________________________
Please describe the geographical scale of the achievement of the Nominee
(You may check more than one category.)
___ Local (restricted area, district, or zone within a country)
___ National (across more areas / fields within a country)
___ Regional (e.g., North America)
___ International (more than one country within a region)
___ Global (more than one country within 2 or more regions)

Please describe the “discipline” of the Nominee
(You may check all that apply.)
___ Management
___ Research
___ Conservation
___ Education
___ Other, please specify: ________________________________

Please describe the career stage of the Nominee
___ Early career (first 10 years of their working career)
___ Mid-career
___ Late-career
___ Near retirement (within five years of retirement)
___ Retired (no longer employed but potentially still volunteering their time)
___ Other, please specify: ________________________________

Is the Nominee planning to attend ISTS? (yes / no / unsure) ______
(Note: This will not affect the consideration of the nomination by the committee.)

Nominee Biography (300 words or less)
Please provide a brief description of the Nominee’s career, education and background, employment, research, and other pertinent information. This will help the committee in the Evaluation and Selection processes, as well as in introductions of Nominees selected to receive awards at the Symposium.
Nominee’s Achievements
This description will provide the primary source of information on which award selection will be based. Please provide specific details regarding an individual’s achievements. This should include a brief resume of the nominee including information that spans career achievements. Achievements may include (but are not limited to) contributions to on-the-ground conservation, public awareness, research and publications, teaching and mentoring, public outreach, education, policy impacts, and community involvement in conservation.

* Important Note: Please be sure to read over the “Criteria for ISTS Lifetime Achievement Awards” included in this document and address any of the six criteria that the candidate fulfills. Please be as explicit as possible in addressing the criteria as that will be used by the committee and board to determine award winners.

(Please note there is no word limit for this section. To help us understand the reasons for the nomination, we recommend you write at least 500 words)

Letters of support: Please provide a minimum of two letters of support. These can be included with this nomination form or emailed to Shaya Honarvar (honarvar@hawaii.edu). For an example of a supporting letter, please see below.

Please indicate how the supporting letters are being delivered to the ISTS Awards Committee:
Supporting letters for this nomination have been (check one, and supply date where indicated):

__ Pasted / attached to the end of this form
__ Emailed to the ISTS Awards Committee separately on ________ (date)

Supporting letter 1 provided by:

Name: ________________________________________
Affiliation: ________________________________________
Phone: ________________________________________
Email: ________________________________________

Supporting letter 2 provided by:

Name: ________________________________________
Affiliation: ________________________________________
Phone: ________________________________________
Email: ________________________________________
Criteria for ISTS Lifetime Achievement Awards

The ISTS Lifetime Achievement Awards honor individual(s) who have had a significant impact on sea turtle biology and conservation through the course of their career (defined by the ISTS as their ‘lifetime’). Recipients of the ISTS Lifetime Achievement Award (LAA) should have demonstrated:

- A 'lifetime' of work that has made a significant contribution to our knowledge of sea turtle biology and/or conservation actions;
- A 'lifetime' of work that has made an impact at a national, regional or global level; and,
- A 'lifetime' of influence, inspiration and/or mentorship.

In selecting recipients for the award from among a pool of nominees who meet the above criteria, the Career Awards Committee should also consider the following:

- People who may not have received equal opportunities or suffered discrimination during their education or career in the past, yet have made a major contribution to their field, should be represented among recipients of the LAA. Examples include (listed in no order of importance) women, LGBTQI, ethnic minorities in developed countries, and individuals in developing countries;
- Personal (e.g., medical) reasons that suggest the recipient may not be able to collect the award in person if the LAA was given in a later year;
- Stage of career. For example, a nominee closer to or post-retirement may receive an award before a nominee who is approaching retirement; and
- Posthumous awards to those with a shorter career lifetime when compared with other nominees, but whose work has nevertheless had a major impact on sea turtle biology and/or conservation.
For assistance with the nominations process, please feel free to contact the ISTS Awards Committee:

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Dear ISTS Awards Committee,

I am very pleased to support the nomination of [insert name of person or organization nominated] for an ISTS Lifetime Achievement Award.

I believe that [insert nominee name] deserves this accolade because they have worked hard to achieve valuable outcomes for sea turtles. For example, because of their contributions … [please provide several examples as evidence of lifetime achievement in the field, and what you believe has been the direct or flow on result of those actions. You can use bullet points if you wish].

If the Committee has any questions or would like to verify my support, I am more than happy for you to contact me.

Kind regards,

[Signature – where possible, electronic signatures are acceptable]
[Supporter name]
[Organization]
[Email address]
[Phone number(s)]