



MARINE AND COASTAL COMMUNICATOR AWARDS 2020

The Marine and Coastal Communicator Awards are hosted under the auspices of SANCOR. These awards are made to individuals or groups of individuals in recognition of their outstanding contributions towards communication of information about the marine and coastal environment to the public via various media at various levels. The awards therefore serve as an acknowledgement of, and symbol of appreciation for, the dedication, enthusiasm and diligence of the persons performing such communication. The awards are based on the nominees' activities within the last five years and a broad definition of method of communication is used, including public talks, popular articles, books, videos, hands-on education, education projects etc. These awards are given within three different categories:

- Professional (journalists, environmental educators, etc)
- Community (volunteers, etc)
- Scientific

Past Recipients of the Award

2003

Ms L Nonkcele (Volunteer Category)
Ms K Brand (Professional Category)
Ms L Sharwood (Special Category)
Mr T van Dalsen (Special Category)

2005

Ms R Louw (Professional Category)
Mrs M Branch (Professional Category)
Ms J Young (Professional Category)
Mr P Badenhorst (Professional Category)
Mr S Ngobese (Volunteer Category)
Dr and Mrs Heemstra (Scientific Category)

2008

Mrs P Msomi (Professional Category)
Mr B Mann (Scientific Category)

2011

Ms P Pillay (Professional Category)
Dr R Wanless (Scientific Category)
Mr M Goren (Scientific Category)
Mrs B Maree (Scientific Category)
Ms L Mansfield (Scientific Category)

2014

Mrs P Haworth (Professional Category)
Dr E Yeld Hutchings (Professional Category)

2017

Ms C Attwood (Professional Category)
Ms J Porter (Professional Category)

The award will be presented at the banquet evening of the 17th Southern African Marine Science Symposium which will be held in Durban, 6-9 July 2020.

NOMINATION PROCESS

To nominate a candidate for the Marine and Coastal Communicator Award kindly e-mail the following to **sancor@daff.gov.za**:

- 1) a completed nomination form and
- 2) a current CV of the nominee (no longer than 25 pages). The proposer is advised to request a current CV from the nominee.

The closing date for submissions is **2 March 2020**. Please call the secretariat on 021 402 3536 if you have not received an acknowledgement of your submission within 3 days.

REGULATIONS FOR THE AWARD

1. All nominees are assessed by an Awards Committee of five persons. One representative each of the Marine and Coastal Educators Network, Department of Environmental Affairs, Forestry and Fisheries, National Research Foundation, the SANCOR Steering Committee and one other person involved in marine and coastal communication.
2. The Awards Committee shall be appointed for one award period only, although two members of the previous committee will carry over.
3. The Awards Committee shall meet to conduct its business or may choose to do so by e-mail. Upon reaching a decision, the Awards Committee shall submit to the SANCOR secretariat one recipient for each category of the awards for that year, but may recommend that there be no award in one or more of the three categories.
4. No recipient shall be able to receive the award consecutively; nominees can, however, be entered consecutively up to five times. Also, recipients are eligible for nomination on new work three years or more after receiving the award.