



MARINE AND COASTAL COMMUNICATOR AWARDS 2017

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

Ms L Nonkcele (Volunteer Category)	2003
Ms K Brand (Professional Category)	
Ms L Sharwood (Special Category)	
Mr T van Dalsen (Special Category)	
Ms R Louw (Professional Category)	2005
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)	
Mrs P Msomi (Professional Category)	2008
Mr B Mann (Scientific Category)	
Ms Pavs Pillay (Professional Category)	2011
Dr Ross Wanless (Scientific Category)	
Mr Meidad Goren (Scientific Category)	
Mrs Brownyn Maree (Scientific Category)	
Ms Lisa Mansfield (Scientific Category)	
Mrs Penny Haworth (Professional Category)	2014

Dr Eleanor Yeld Hutchings (Professional Category)

The award will be presented at the banquet evening of the 16th Southern African Marine Science Symposium which will be held in Port Elizabeth, 4-7 July 2017.

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 **28 February 2017**. 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 Agriculture, 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.