

# ARKANSAS ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION 2022 Environmental Education Awards

# **Categories**

**Outstanding Environmental Educator – Formal Education** The nominee must be an Arkansas Pre-K, elementary, secondary or college educator who incorporates environmental education as a main focus in their curriculum. The nominee should influence students, school, or community in environmental education, awareness, knowledge, and action.

Outstanding Environmental Educator – Non-formal Education The nominee must be an Arkansas educator performing in a non-formal setting. Non-formal settings include, but are not limited to, nature centers, parks, nonprofit organizations, and government agencies which provide education and outreach programs. The nominee should exhibit personal and professional commitment to environmental education and have demonstrated outstanding achievement in the field.

### The Robert McAfee Environmental Education Service Award The

nominee must be an Arkansan who has exhibited personal and professional commitment to environmental education, service, awareness, knowledge, and action throughout their career and life. The nominee should exemplify the values and mission of AEEA. The award is named after one of AEEA's founding members and long-time volunteer director.

#### **Nomination Process**

Nominations should be submitted as a Microsoft Word or Google Doc. The following information is required and should not exceed 4 pages front and back. Applications are due no later than **June 8, 2022.** 

- Category: Formal Educator, Non-formal Educator, or Robert McAfee EE Service Award
- Name and contact information including mailing address, school/organization, job title, phone, and email where the nominee can be reached during the summer
- List of activities and accomplishments

- Impact of the nominee's work
- Description of any innovative environmental and outdoor education instruction the nominee has developed and implemented
- Overall involvement of the area of environmental and outdoor education (include number of years in field)
- Affiliation with organizations outside main employer, including AEEA
- Optional supporting materials such as news releases, examples of work, or photographs may be included

# **Judging Criteria**

Reviewers will be looking for a nominee's demonstrated ability to:

- Facilitate participant/student leadership and involvement
- Promote hands-on involvement
- Promote critical and creative thinking in students
- Partner with others
- Address real world problems and/or problems of local environmental importance
- Develop and implement innovative programs/projects

## Applications are due no later than June 8, 2022

#### Please submit to:

Arkansas Environmental Education Association PO Box 149
Greenland, AR 72737

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via E-mail: info@arkansasee.org - please note "Awards" on the subject line.

Awards will be presented at the 2022 Environmental Education Conference on Wednesday, July 27th at Lake DeGray Resort State Park.