

Call for Award Nominations for 2025

The Society of Nematologists recognizes individuals for scientific excellence and contributions to the science of nematology through several awards. A member of the society may nominate one candidate per year for each award. It is important that nominations provide a critical analysis of the nominee's contributions.

The Honors and Awards Committee encourages members of the Society to actively seek candidates with outstanding records and nominate them for an appropriate award. These awards will be bestowed at the Society of Nematologists annual meeting in 2025. One candidate is chosen for each award.

Honorary Member of the Society is the highest honor awarded in recognition of meritorious and superlative contributions to the science of nematology. The number of living persons in this category of membership may not exceed 2% of the regular and emeritus membership. No more than one individual per year may receive this award.

Fellow of the Society is granted by the Society to a member in recognition of distinguished contributions to the science of nematology. No more than 0.4% of the living membership may be elected Fellow in any given year. This honor is bestowed upon a member who has excelled in areas of significant research, teaching, extension, administration, or through contributions in service to the Society of Nematologists or the science of nematology above and beyond that of most of its members.

The Syngenta Crop Protection Award is presented by Syngenta, Greensboro, NC, to a person who has made contributions in nematology, not previously recognized, which has led to significant advancement in agriculture. The contributions should have been made within the last 5 years and the nominee should be within 15 years of receiving a Ph.D. degree at the time of the award.

Teaching Excellence Award recognizes a SON member for excellence in teaching nematology. The nominee must have excelled in classroom teaching of a nematology course or through developing innovative nematology teaching materials for use in a classroom-setting (K-12, undergraduate or graduate level).

NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS:

The nomination packet must be submitted by July 1, 2024. Any member of the Society may submit nominations and the nomination process is performed in confidence. Each nomination packet should include the following:

1. Nomination statement. This should include the nominee's name, educational background, current and previous positions, and contributions to nematology and agriculture in the scope of

the particular award. The statement also must explain and document the significance of these contributions. Each statement must be double-spaced and no more than four pages long.

2. List of publications. A listing of publications separated, if possible, into the following categories: a) peer-reviewed journal publications, b) book chapters or reviews, and c) other publications such as bulletins, laboratory manuals, extension publications, etc. The publication list must be single-spaced.

3. Letters of endorsement. Each nomination should include two additional letters of endorsement that discuss the nominee's merit for this award. The letters should be addressed to Nathan Schroeder, 2024 Chair of the Honors and Awards Committee.

Electronic submissions are preferred. Send Word or PDF documents to Nathan Schroeder at nes@illinois.edu

NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JULY 1, 2024

To ensure that duplicate nominations are not submitted or if further information is needed, contact Nathan Schroeder, 2024 Chair of the SON Honors and Awards Committee, at nes@illinois.edu.