



2017 AWARDS

Celebrating

People, Parks & Programs

AGENCY AWARDS

THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES WILL APPLY TO ALL AGENCY AWARDS. READ AWARD DESCRIPTION FOR ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

- No more than 10 pages, 1 inch margins, double spaced, 12 point Times New Roman font
- No more than 5 photos, 300 dpi or higher (exempt from 10 page text limit), tif or jpg files only; some or all photos may be used for the awards presentation
- Please submit assuming that the committee does not know the agency
- Must contain agency's Mission Statement
- Address the specific characteristics as it pertains to the Award:
 - Summary of program or description of park
 - How this program/project affected the community
 - Challenges faced
 - How the agency's mission and/or goals were met
 - Public involvement and partnerships
 - Uniqueness
 - What is the resulting or projected long term success (economic impact, property values, reduction of crime, etc.)
- Include a one page summary to be read at the awards presentation in the event that the agency should win; however, the awards committee reserves the right to edit the summary.

PROGRAMMING EXCELLENCE AWARD

One award can be given to each of two population categories: 30,000 and under, and over 30,000. An agency may submit for Programming Excellence or Parks Excellence but not both. This award pertains to any recreation program or special event an agency offers.

PARKS EXCELLENCE AWARD

One award can be given to each of two population categories: 30,000 and under, and over 30,000. An agency may submit for Programming Excellence or Parks Excellence but not both. This award pertains to a new, renovated or revitalized park.



CHAMPION FOR OUR COMMUNITY

This award is given to a citizen, volunteer, local government official, or organization outside of the profession who has supported parks and recreation either on a community, state or national level. There will be a maximum of two awards given per district, one for an individual and one for an organization. These awards will be presented at a state or local level either at a special event or city/county council meeting. Submission guidelines are the same as for individual awards.



STATE MERIT AWARD

One award winner will be chosen from among the recipients of the RAP and SCAP Professionals of the Year, and each of the four District Merit award winners. Each Branch and District will grant their own awards and submit the winners for consideration into the State Merit Award 1 week prior to the Awards Committee's judging.

LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR

This award can be given to any person serving in the SC legislature based on contribution to the recreation and parks field on a state level. The nomination should specifically document in detail the contributions the nominee has made and the lasting effect on their program and community, state or nation. The committee may use their discretion as to whether or not to give this award each year.

PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR

This nominee has been in a parks and recreation profession at least fifteen years and a member of SCRPA for at least five. They must be currently certified through NRPA either as CPRE (Certified Park and Recreation Executive) or CPRP (Certified Park and Recreation Professional.) The nomination should also document the individual's current and/or past promotion of the recreation and park profession through presentations and writings.

YOUNG PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR

This nominee has been in a parks and recreation profession at least three years but no longer than fifteen years. They must be a member of SCRPA. They must be currently certified through NRPA either as CPRE (Certified Park and Recreation Executive) or CPRP (Certified Park and Recreation Professional). The nomination should also document the individual's current and/or past promotion of the recreation and park profession through presentations and writings.

ROBERT L. REID HALL OF FAME

This award recognizes lifetime achievement in the parks and recreation community. It can be awarded to a professional or citizen and can be awarded posthumously. It is recommended that the individual have at least twenty years of overall commitment to the parks and recreation community. The nomination should also document the individual's current and/or past promotion of the recreation and park profession through presentations and writings.



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INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES WILL APPLY TO ALL INDIVIDUAL AWARDS. READ AWARD DESCRIPTION FOR ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

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- Please submit assuming that the committee does not know the agency
- Address the specific characteristics below as they pertain to the nominee:
 - Service: Must have rendered outstanding service and/or accomplishments to the parks and recreation community
 - Leadership: Must have filled a leadership role in their organization/community
 - Character: Must be of outstanding moral character and professional status
- Include a one page summary to be read at the awards presentation in the event that the agency should win; however, the awards committee reserves the right to edit the summary.

SUBMISSION INFORMATION AND DEADLINE

Submissions are due by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 7, 2017 to melissa@scrpa.org.