



2018 ASDSO Awards

Call For Nominations



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Learn more at DamSafety.org/Awards

About ASDSO Awards

ASDSO is accepting nominations for the 2018 awards program. Nominations and all supporting documents are due by June 1, 2018. Winners will be announced in late July and are invited as honored guests to attend the awards ceremony in conjunction with Dam Safety 2018, September 9-13, 2018 in Seattle, WA.

Award winners receive additional recognition in the ASDSO Annual Report, ASDSO E-News and the Journal of Dam Safety. The individual, company, agency, or organization being nominated must be a member of ASDSO. Questions may be directed to info@damsafety.org.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. How do I submit awards nominations?

Nomination forms can be submitted via email to info@damsafety.org, via fax to 859.550.2795 or mailed to ASDSO at 239 S. Limestone, Lexington, KY 40508.

2. When are nominations due?

Nominations and all supporting documents are due June 1, 2018.

3. When will winners be notified? Are winners recognized formally?

All winners will be notified in late July 2018. Winners are recognized during the Awards Ceremony at Dam Safety 2018, September 9-13 in Seattle, WA. Winners are encouraged to attend; however, attendance is not mandatory.

4. Will winners receive a free registration to Dam Safety 2018?

No. While winners are recognized at the Dam Safety annual conference free registration for the event is not provided.

5. Do projects nominated for the National Dam Rehabilitation Project of the Year have to be a certain size?

No, projects of all scope and sizes are eligible to win as long as the project was completed prior to April 30, 2018.

6. How can I learn more about the ASDSO Awards Program?

Additional information, including a listing of past winners and expanded information on all 2017 award winners can be found online at www.DamSafety.org/Awards.

7. Is there a cost to nominate someone for an ASDSO Award?

No. ASDSO does not charge a nomination fee for the awards program, however, nominees must be ASDSO members.

8. Do award winners have to be an ASDSO member?

Yes, award winners must be members of ASDSO. The only exception is the new ASDSO Media Award.

Important Dates

- June 1, 2018 - All Nominations Due to ASDSO
- July 31, 2018 - Award winners will be notified
- September 9-13 - Award winners recognized at Dam Safety 2018

Contact ASDSO

- Email - info@damsafety.org
- Phone - (859) 550-2788



National Dam Rehabilitation Project of the Year

This award recognizes a unique remedial design, for a project of any size, that advances the state-of-the-art in the field of dam safety and exemplifies the professional engineering and construction standards that dam safety requires. The award is presented to the individual, company, agency, or organization whose project is judged to best represent those qualities from among this year's group of qualified nominees. Recognition is given to the dam owner and the designer. All project construction must be completed, and the project in full operation by April 30, 2018. Unfinished projects will not be considered for this year's award.

Nomination Procedures

- The deadline for nomination and submittal of documents is June 1, 2018.
- Nominees will be considered by the Awards Committee and the ASDSO Board of Directors, who will make the final selection.
- Award winners will be notified in late July, and the award will be presented at Dam Safety 2018 September 9-13 in Seattle, WA.

Nominee

Name of Project: _____

Project Contact Name: _____

Company/Agency Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Is this Nominee an ASDSO Member? Yes _____ No _____

Nominated By

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____



Attachments

Please provide the following at a minimum.

- One Page Abstract: Owner and Location, Problems Encountered, Solutions Achieved, Unique Characteristics (15 Points)
- Project Description: History and Rehabilitation
- Identified Deficiency, Design Approach, Design Confirmation and Acceptance, Construction Procedures (60 Points)
- Future Benefits for the Greater Community - Population at Risk, Environmental/Aesthetics, Social/Economic Contribution, Rehabilitation vs. Replacement (25 points)

Preferred Criteria

Does the project include at least one of these attributes?

- Resourcefulness in planning and permitting, and in achieving a successful resolution to the problem(s) or deficiencies encountered.
- Pioneering efforts in the use of construction procedures or materials.
- Innovations in design methods or project operations.
- A design that is conservative, reliable, and consistent with accepted engineering practices and standards of care in the field of dam safety.



The 2017 National Rehabilitation Project of the Year Winner was Lake Delhi Dam, Delhi, IA. Learn more or view all previous winners at DamSafety.org/Awards.

Regional Awards of Merit

The Regional Awards of Merit are given to individuals, companies, organizations, municipalities, or other entities working in the dam safety field that have made outstanding contributions to dam safety within each ASDSO Region. Past winners include companies owning or operating dams that have shown marked improvement in maintaining or rehabilitating their dam(s) and their dam safety programs; individuals who have made exemplary contributions to dam safety in their communities; and local agencies with innovative ideas for improving their dam safety programs. Regional award nominations may focus on a notable rehabilitation, much the same as the National Rehabilitation Project of the Year award, but differ in that the award is recognizing the dam safety benefits to a specific area, state or region provided by the project(s). These awards are intended to recognize the overall contributions of an individual or organization. The nominated individual or organization should demonstrate recent, noteworthy efforts and accomplishments in the field of dam safety.

Nomination Procedures

- The deadline for nomination and submittal of documents is June 1, 2018.
- ASDSO Regions (represented by the regional representatives on the Board) will select a winner from each of the Northeast, Southeast, Midwest, and West regions.
- The state official must approve the nomination. ASDSO will forward nominations to the proper state representative for approval.
- Award winners will be notified in late July, and the award will be presented at Dam Safety 2018 September 9-13, 2018 in Seattle, WA.

Nominee

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Is this Nominee an ASDSO Member? Yes _____ No _____

Attachments

Please provide the following at a minimum. Please use paragraph form, no resumes accepted.

- Description of the nominee's contribution to dam safety at a regional level.
- Other awards and honors received.

Nominated By

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____



2017 Regional Award of Merit winners were:
West Region - Jack Byers, M.S., P.E., Byers Group
Northeast Region - MA Water Resources Authority
and PA Department of Conservation & Natural
Resources
Southeast Region - Bill Higgins, P.E., Cobb County
Stormwater Management Division
Midwest Region - 'Over Under Gone - The Killer in
Our Rivers' Documentary

Terry L. Hampton Medal

This medal was established by the Affiliate Member Advisory Committee, now known as the ASDSO Advisory Committee (AdCom), to recognize Terry L. Hampton's lifetime achievements in the field of hydrology and hydraulics and his contributions to ASDSO and the AdCom. Terry, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, was a member of ASDSO since its inception and was a past chair of AdCom, a frequent speaker and moderator at ASDSO Conferences, and the recipient of the President's Award in 1996 and the Mid-West Regional Award of Merit in 2003. The award consists of a gold plated medal and a certificate.

Guidelines for the Basis of Selection

- The nominations will be reviewed and the winner chosen by the ASDSO Advisory Committee.
- The Medal will be awarded for outstanding contributions to research and/or practice in hydrologic and hydraulic engineering for dams.
- The Medal will ordinarily be granted for cumulative distinguished contributions in hydrologic and hydraulic engineering for dams. In exceptional cases, it may be awarded for a single contribution of outstanding merit.
- The Medal may be awarded every year at the discretion of the selection committee and will be limited to one individual, unless a nomination is based on work which was a joint effort of a substantial duration.
- No individual shall receive the Medal more than once.
- The deadline for nomination and submittal of documents is June 1, 2018.

Nomination Procedures

Please provide the following at a minimum.

- A cover letter, signed by the nominator
- The Terry L. Hampton Medal Nomination Form
- The nominee's Curriculum Vitae or biographical information
- Two to three letters of recommendation



Previous Terry L. Hampton Medal Winners:
2007 Arthur C. Miller, Professor Emeritus, Pennsylvania State University
2009 Darrel M. Temple, USDA Agricultural Research Service, Stillwater, OK (retired)
2012 David Campbell, Schnabel Engineering
2014 Ed Tomlinson, Applied Weather Associates
2016 Blake Tullis, Utah State University (Pictured)

Nominee

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Birth Date: _____

Is this Nominee an ASDSO Member?

Yes _____ No _____

Is this Nominee a Professional Engineer?

Yes _____ No _____

Is this Nominee Registered in the State?

Yes _____ No _____

Suggested Citation

Nominated By

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Danny McCook Medal

This medal was established by the Affiliate Member Advisory Committee, now known as the ASDSO Advisory Committee (AdCom), to recognize Danny McCook's lifetime achievements in the field of geotechnical engineering and his contributions to ASDSO and the AdCom. Danny McCook was an engineer who made major contributions to dam safety in the United States. After a long and distinguished 40+ year career with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (formerly the Soil Conservation Service), Danny continued to consult in the dam safety arena until his untimely passing. He was a life-long student of geotechnical engineering as it applies to dam safety, and he was always willing to share his knowledge and experience through papers, presentations, short courses, webinars, telephone calls, and face-to-face conversations. Danny and his contributions will continue to be sorely missed by ASDSO and the rest of the dam safety community. The award consists of a gold-plated medal and a certificate.

Guidelines for the Basis of Selection

- The nominations will be reviewed and the winner chosen by the ASDSO Advisory Committee.
- The Medal will be awarded for outstanding contributions to research and/or practice in geotechnical engineering for dams.
- The Medal will ordinarily be granted for cumulative distinguished contributions in geotechnical engineering for dams. In exceptional cases, it may be awarded for a single contribution of outstanding merit.
- The Medal may be awarded every year at the discretion of the selection committee and will be limited to one individual, unless a nomination is based on work which was a joint effort of a substantial duration.
- No individual shall receive the Medal more than once.
- The deadline for nomination and submittal of documents is June 1, 2018.

Nomination Procedures

Please provide the following at a minimum.

- A cover letter, signed by the nominator
- The Danny McCook Medal Nomination Form
- The nominee's Curriculum Vitae or biographical information
- Two to three letters of recommendation



Previous Danny McCook Award Winners:
2013 James R. Talbot, Consultant, Saint Leonard, MD;
USDA SCS (retired)
2017 Faiz I. Makdisi, Ph.D, P.E., D.GE (Pictured)

Nominee

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Birth Date: _____

Is this Nominee an ASDSO Member?

Yes _____ No _____

Is this Nominee a Professional Engineer?

Yes _____ No _____

Is this Nominee Registered in the State?

Yes _____ No _____

Suggested Citation

Nominated By

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Young Professional of the Year Award - NEW!

The Association of State Dam Safety Officials (ASDSO) Young Professional Award recognizes members under 40 years of age working in the dam safety field that have made outstanding contributions to the Association, their respective organization, and/or the dam safety industry in general.

This award is intended to recognize the overall contributions of an individual. Suggested criteria for this award includes:

- Recent, noteworthy efforts and accomplishments in the field of dam safety,
- Service to the advancement of the profession,
- Evidence of technical competence, high character, and integrity,
- Exemplary contributions to dam safety in their communities or organizations,
- Leadership in the development of younger member attitudes towards the profession and the Association, and
- Other evidence of merit, which in the judgment of the committee shall have advanced the Association's objectives.

Nomination Procedures

- The nominations will be reviewed by the ASDSO Young Professional Committee and the winner confirmed by the ASDSO Board of Directors.
- The award may be awarded every year at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
- The deadline for nomination and submittal of documents is June 1, 2018.



Nominee

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Birth Date: _____

Is this Nominee an ASDSO Member?

Yes _____ No _____

Attachments

Please provide the following at a minimum. Please use paragraph form, no resumes accepted.

- Description of the nominee's contribution to dam safety which meet the suggested criteria listed above
- Other awards and honors received.

Nominated By

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Bruce Tschantz Public Safety at Dams Award - NEW!

This award was established by ASDSO in 2017, to recognize and celebrate Bruce Tschantz's lifetime achievements in dam safety, his contributions to ASDSO, and his efforts to improve public safety around dams. The award will be given to a person who takes on the role of "local champion" and works to improve safety at dams. Often, no action would be taken without their efforts. Nominees should have a focus on improving safety around dams by a) raising public awareness about safety hazards around dams, especially low-head dams; b) encouraging dam owners to take responsibility for ensuring public safety at dam sites; c) actively participating in research efforts aimed at mitigating safety hazards around dams; and/or d) furthering efforts to carry out safety modifications at hazardous dam sites. The recipient can also be a model dam owner who has made significant improvements to the public safety program for their dams.

Nomination Procedures

- The nominations will be reviewed by the ASDSO Public Safety at Dams Committee and the winner confirmed by the ASDSO Board of Directors.
- The Medal will be awarded for outstanding contributions towards Public Safety at Dams.
- The award may be awarded every year at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
- The deadline for nomination and submittal of documents is June 1, 2018.

Nominee

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Birth Date: _____

Is this Nominee an ASDSO Member?

Yes _____ No _____

Attachments

Please provide the following at a minimum. Please use paragraph form, no resumes accepted.

- Description of the nominee's contribution to public safety at dams
- Other awards and honors received.

Nominated By

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____



Inaugural Bruce Tschantz Public Safety at Dams Awards
Winners:
2017 Paul G. Schweiger, P.E., CFM and
Kenneth E. Smith, P.E.

Media Award - NEW!

This award was established by ASDSO in 2017, to recognize and celebrate the contributions made by media outlets or media personalities who have made an influence on Dam Safety. Awardees will be judged based on how well they a) fairly cover all sides of a dam safety project(s) or issue(s); b) accurately describe the dam safety project(s) or issue(s); c) effectively explain how the project or outcome of the issue affected the community or region; d) include the most knowledgeable dam safety experts; and f) advance public knowledge and understanding of the need to reduce the risk and consequences of dam failure in the U.S.

Nomination Procedures

- The nominations will be reviewed by the ASDSO Media Relations Committee and ASDSO Staff with the winner confirmed by the ASDSO Board of Directors.
- The award may be awarded every year at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
- The deadline for nomination and submittal of documents is June 1, 2018.

Nominee

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Birth Date: _____

Attachments

Please provide the following at a minimum. Please use paragraph form, no resumes accepted.

- Description of the nominee's contribution to dam safety.
- Copy of Article(s) written by nominee pertaining to Dam Safety (if applicable)
- Other awards and honors received.

Nominated By

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

