

Seed Achievement Award

A National Award of Excellence to Recognize Significant Contributions to the Canadian Seed Industry

The Canadian Seed Trade Association's (CSTA) Seed Achievement Award recognizes and honours significant contributions to the Canadian seed industry. It is presented to an individual engaged in a private seed business or public institution based in Canada.

The award consists of an engraved plaque which is presented at an awards ceremony at CSTA's Annual Meeting. CSTA covers the costs of travel, accommodation and meeting registration for the award winner and an accompanying guest.

Eligibility of Nominators

Nominations for the Seed Achievement Award will be accepted from anyone who is a member of the CSTA.

Eligibility of Nominees

Nominees for the Seed Achievement Award need not be members of the CSTA. The accomplishments for which the nominee is being nominated must have taken place while the nominee was working in Canada. CSTA reserves the right to not present the award if no nominees meet the criteria. CSTA also reserves the right to modify the eligibility criteria.

Selection Committee

The selection committee will be the CSTA Executive Committee and the CSTA Executive Director. The Executive Committee will recommend the recipient to the CSTA Board of Directors for consideration at its February board meeting. Nominations that are not selected may be carried over for submission to the Board in the following two (2) years. Additional supporting information may be submitted in the second and third year, however, it is not necessary to submit an entirely new nomination package.

Notice and Process

Following the selection, the nominator will be notified and asked to inform the award winner that he or she has been selected. Once the recipient has been notified by the nominator, CSTA will contact the winner to provide additional details. CSTA membership will be notified in the spring of each year. A news release announcement will be made immediately following the CSTA Annual Meeting Awards Luncheon.

Nomination Instructions

A call for nominations will come from CSTA annually in November. Nominations should be submitted to the CSTA office by no later than January 15th of each year. Nominations should be accompanied by the following supporting data and information:

- 1) Name, position, affiliation, address, telephone and email of nominee;
- 2) Name, position, affiliation, address, telephone and email of nominator; and
- 3) Description of the contributions of the nominee to the Canadian seed industry and agriculture. Criteria that might be considered:
 - a) What has the nominee achieved that distinguishes him or her?
 - b) How did the nominee's initiative lead to significant developments within the seed industry?
 - c) Is the nominee recognized as a leader within the seed industry?

CSTA must receive the nomination by no later than **January 15th, 2020**.

Please send the completed nomination, with accompanying letters of support, to the attention of Liz Lumsden, Manager, Communications and Member Services. Nominations may be submitted by email (preferred) or mail. Receipt of all nominations will be confirmed with the nominator.

By email:

lumsden@seedinnovation.ca | Please include "Seed Achievement Award" in the subject line.

By mail:

Seed Achievement Award
Canadian Seed Trade Association
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