

Arboriculture Award of Merit

Awarded to municipalities, public institutions and non-profit organizations that have shown innovation, leadership and commitment to arboriculture and urban forestry within Ontario.

Note: This award can only be awarded once every 10 years to any municipality, public institution or non-profit organization.

Person Submitting Nomination: _____

Contact Information:

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Organization nominated _____

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Criteria

1. Is a municipality, public institution or non-profit organization. An individual may not be nominated for this award.

By “municipality” is meant a municipality incorporated under the Ontario Municipal Act or equivalent, such as the Toronto Act.

By “public institution” is meant a school, college, university, courthouse, library, hospital and other place that is run for the public use and benefit. It is funded publicly and subject to public control by a level(s) of government.

By “non-profit organization” is meant an organization that is incorporated under the Ontario or Canada Not-For-Profit Corporations Act. Note: All organizations with federal charity status are also not-for-profit organizations.

Evidence in the form of documentation must be provided for the above. Internet-sourced documented evidence is acceptable.

2. Shown innovation, leadership and commitment to arboriculture and urban forestry within Ontario.

By “innovation” is meant the introduction, piloting and/or testing and/or researching of new or improved technologies, equipment, techniques, theories, approaches or strategies in the field of arboriculture and urban forestry. This includes but is not limited to scientific, technological and practical applications as well as social science activities such as governance, public education and involvement (including consultation, volunteerism, etc.) and communication.

By “leadership” is meant the exercise of influencing others, usually in a broad manner, through various means. Leadership is characterized by evidence that others (usually many others) will follow. In other words, “leadership” will involve influencing others in a positive way towards excellence and/or improvement in arboriculture and urban forestry.

By commitment is meant on-going persistence towards known goals. For the sake of this award, a persistent effort over at least a 10-year period is required.

Provide a list and description of innovations and related achievements over at least a 10-year period, including dates. Provide any documented evidence (internet; reports; news articles; endorsement by experts) available.

Describe the leadership of this organization – how it has influenced others, including both the means of influence and the evidence of influence. For example: “This organization has provided entry level positions for xx people in the industry of which xx have gone on to more senior positions in other organizations.” Or: “xx people have graduated from this organization’s programs, xx of whom have gone on to permanent employment in the industry. Or: “This organization’s equipment/product/techniques/service have been adopted across the industry.” Any form of leadership and influence can be listed and described.

Where sufficient details are not provided and/or clarification of the nomination would be helpful, the ISAO Awards Committee may contact the nominator for further information.