

PLANT MATERIALS PROGRAM AWARDS

Overview

- Nominations for each Fiscal year are due to the National Plant Materials Program Leader (NPMPL) by September 1st of each year (or by the requested due date).
- Anyone in PM program can nominate individuals or teams for awards.
- Not all awards may be presented each year.
- The NPMPL (with or without a selection team) will decide who should receive awards with concurrence with State Conservationist from appropriate state(s).
- This recognition will be awarded at the discretion of the NPMPL.

Award Categories

1. **Plant Materials Outstanding Team Award** - Awarded in recognition of the best overall performance by a plant materials center, plant materials specialist (if appropriate) and associated program over the past year.
2. **Plant Materials Outstanding Employee Award** - Awarded to the PM employee who has demonstrated excellent leadership and skill in contributing to the PM Program over the past year.
3. **Plant Materials Meritorious Service Award** - Presented to the PM employee who has made a significant and tangible contribution to the discipline over a long period of time.
4. **Plant Materials Special Service Award** - Presented to a non-plant materials person whose efforts have or are substantially advancing the plant materials program.
5. **Plant Materials Notable Achievement Award** - Presented for efforts by an individual in completion of a specific plant materials product or specific activity.

Guidelines for submitting nominations for awards

- Nominations may be by letter or e-mail but must include all necessary information.
- Nominations must include:
 1. Name and office of person submitting nomination.
 2. Name and office of person or group of people being nominated for the award. If nominee is not a PM employee, please include full address and phone number for the person.
 3. Category or award the nomination is for (see categories above).
 4. Narrative of why the person or group should receive the award.
 5. Dates the nomination covers.
- Nominations should be sent directly to the NPMPL.