



SEED ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

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

The Canadian Seed Trade Association 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 convention. CSTA pays the costs of travel, accommodation and meeting registration for the award winner and an accompanying person.

Eligibility of Nominators

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

Eligibility of Nominees

Nominees for the CSTA 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. The CSTA reserves the right to not present the award if no nominees meet the 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 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.

Notice and Process

Following the selection, the nominator will be notified and asked to notify the award winner that he/she has been chosen. 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. A news release announcement will be made immediately following the awards ceremony.

Nomination Instructions

Any CSTA member may submit a nomination. The nominee will be considered for three (3) years without submission of an entirely new nomination package. Additional supporting information may be submitted the second or third year.

A call for nominations will come from the CSTA annually in November. Nominations should be submitted to the CSTA office no later than December 15th of each year.

Nominations should be accompanied by:

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

Preparation of the best nomination possible is a compliment to the person nominated and assures that the nominee's achievements will be carefully judged.

CSTA must receive the nomination no later than December 15th.

Send the completed nomination with accompanying letters of support to the attention Teresa Neuman, Manager, Stakeholder Relations. Nominations may be submitted by email or mail. Receipt of all nominations will be confirmed with the nominator by CSTA staff.

By email (preferred):

tneuman@cdnseed.org - Please include "Seed Achievement Award" in the subject line.

By mail:

Seed Achievement Award
Canadian Seed Trade Association
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Ottawa, Ontario K1P 5G4

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