

DESERT BOTANICAL GARDEN'S 2020 AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN CONSERVATION

NOMINATION FORM

Do you know of a local conservation champion that deserves recognition for their enduring commitment to our environment? If so, Desert Botanical Garden would love to hear from you.

The Garden is currently seeking nominations for its 4th Annual Conservation Award, which recognizes the exceptional conservation leadership, achievements and/or innovations of one individual or organization in Arizona.

To submit a nomination, review the description below to see if you know a conservation champion who qualifies for recognition. If so, please fill out this form and attach two letters of support (pdf) describing the nominee's accomplishments so that our selection committee might consider them for this honor.

Due: Oct. 15, 2020.

Please contact award@dbg.org with questions.

QUALIFICATIONS

1. Must live in Arizona
2. Works in the environmental conservation arena
3. Has sustained commitment and significant impact in the field of conservation

TIMELINE

- Nominations must be submitted by Oct. 15, 2020.
- The top 3 finalists will be announced in October.
- The award will be presented at Desert Botanical Garden's 2020 Conservation Celebration, a virtual event on Nov. 19.

SELECTION COMMITTEE

The committee is comprised of two Garden representatives, three representatives from Central Arizona Conservation Alliance partners—City of Peoria, Urban Land Institute and the McDowell Sonoran Conservancy and last year's winner.

PAST WINNERS

Maxine Lakin won the Conservation Award in 2019 for her tireless work protecting the mountains of Phoenix, which started in 1967. She has since played a pivotal role in the protection of Camelback Mountain, the Phoenix Mountains, and in the passage of the Phoenix Parks and Preserves Initiative which eventually led to the creation of the Sonoran Preserve. She remains a member of the Phoenix Mountains Preservation Council to this day.

In 2018, Tamara Woodbury was honored for her pivotal leadership as the CEO of the Girl Scouts—Arizona Cactus-Pine Council; her work has led to the connection of countless young women to nature. It was also under her guidance that the Bob & Renee Parsons Leadership Center for Girls and Women at Camp South Mountain was opened to serve the Arizona community in 2017.

The first Award for Excellence in Conservation was bestowed on Mayor Jackie Meck in 2017 for his visionary leadership in Buckeye, which emphasized the protection of the city's open spaces for residents, and included his involvement in the formation and management of the White Tank Mountains Conservancy.

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NOMINEE'S INFORMATION

Individual or Organization Nominee Name:

Individual Nominee Job Title and Organization Affiliation (if applicable):

Nominee's Address:

Street Address city, state, zip code

Nominee's E-mail Address:

Nominee's Phone Number:

NOMINATOR'S INFORMATION

Nominator's Name:

Nominator's Job Title and Organization Affiliation (if applicable):

Nominator's Address:

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How do you know the nominee?

Tell us why your candidate is deserving of this award. How have they made an impact in the field of conservation?

Please attach two letters of support from additional supporters in pdf format.

Letters should include information on why the supporter agrees with your nomination, any information on the nominee's accomplishments, and information about the supporter's own job title and affiliated organization. If possible, please ask that letters of support be on official letterhead; all letters of support should be signed by the letter writer.