

2006 Maine Audubon Annual Awards

The Maine Audubon Annual Awards draw attention to individuals in Maine whose outstanding efforts as volunteers or professionals have advanced Maine Audubon's mission of wildlife conservation.

In 2006:

- Maine Audubon members may nominate an individual for an award during the nomination period of March 15-May 5.
- Awardees do not have to be members of Maine Audubon.
- Award nominations will be reviewed by Maine Audubon staff and board members who will notify award winners by June 1.
- Awards will be presented at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, June 29, at Gilsland Farm Audubon Center in Falmouth as part of Maine Audubon's Annual Meeting and Peony Bloom and Ice Cream Social.
- Press releases to publicize awardees' work for wildlife conservation will be distributed to Maine media.
- Nomination forms are available at www.maineaudubon.org and by calling (207) 781-2330.

To Nominate

1. Please respond in no more than 500 words to the prompts below each award category. You may use bulleted notes or full paragraphs.
2. Include the nominee's name and contact information, your name and contact information, and the names and contact information of two people who also know the nominee and are familiar with the work/service for which he or she is nominated.
3. You may e-mail the nomination to: rchoate@maineaudubon.org. Please put "Annual Awards" in the subject line. OR you may mail it to: Maine Audubon Annual Awards, 20 Gilsland Farm Rd, Falmouth, ME 04105.

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AWARD CATEGORIES

Maine Audubon Volunteer of the Year

This award is given to recognize the exceptional or outstanding efforts of a volunteer who has substantially assisted Maine Audubon programs, projects, or events. Factors such as length of service, knowledge and willingness to share it, reliability and commitment, and creative initiative are considered. The award also is a symbolic thanks to all Maine Audubon volunteers who help make possible Maine Audubon's success. All Maine Audubon volunteers are eligible for this award.

Describe how the nominee has done one or more of the following:

- led, assisted, or otherwise contributed to Maine Audubon programs or trips;
- assisted with upkeep of a Maine Audubon property;
- assisted Maine Audubon policy advocacy;
- encouraged others to become involved with Maine Audubon as a member, volunteer, or program participant; and
- otherwise solicited support for Maine Audubon and its mission of wildlife conservation.

Maine Audubon Educator of the Year

This award is given to recognize the exceptional or outstanding efforts of a Maine educator who has made a significant contribution toward expanding children's or adults' knowledge of the natural world and wildlife conservation in Maine. The recipient may be:

- A teacher, at any level of formal instruction, whose environmental education methods in the classroom serve as a model for others; whose efforts in the school, district, or region resulted in increased involvement in environmental education on the part of other teachers; or whose leadership on a regional or state level results in increased commitment to environmental education as an education priority in Maine.
- An educator of children or adults whose consistently creative and high-quality methods for teaching about the natural world and wildlife conservation serve as a model for others, or whose efforts in schools or through community, regional, or statewide organizations or busi-

nesses have markedly increased learners' knowledge of and commitment to environmental education and wildlife conservation.

Please describe ways the nominee has done one or more of the following:

- developed educational activities or curricula about nature and wildlife conservation;
- mobilized school, family, or community support for environmental education;
- motivated learners of any age to become involved with Maine Audubon; and
- otherwise solicited support for Maine Audubon and its mission of wildlife conservation.

Maine Audubon Wildlife Conservation Award

This award is given to an individual or group who has made a significant contribution to wildlife conservation in Maine. Whether in the areas of advocacy/policy, research/science, education, program development or business development, the work should have significant and positive long-term implications for wildlife conservation in Maine. Accomplishments may have local or statewide impact, and should serve as a model for action that potentially can be undertaken elsewhere in the state.

Please describe:

- ways the nominee has sought to advance wildlife conservation in Maine, at the local or statewide level, through work in one or more of the following areas: advocacy/policy, research/science, education, program development, and business development; and
- current and projected results of the nominee's efforts.

Maine Audubon Distinguished Contribution Award

At the discretion of Maine Audubon's executive director and board chairman, this award is given to an individual, business, or organization that has supported Maine Audubon's mission to conserve wildlife and wildlife habitat through significant personal or creative leadership, financial generosity, or outstanding commitment and effort over a long period of time.