

CASCA Awards Committee Report

Luc Simard, 21 December 2017

The CASCA Awards committee has just started its work for the 2017-2018 awards cycle. The awards that will be evaluated by the committee this year are the J. S. Plaskett Medal, the Qilak Award, the Dunlap Award, and the Carlyle S. Beals Awards. The CASCA Awards committee is comprised of Luc Simard (NRC; Chair), Renée Hložek (Dunlap/U. Toronto), Greg Sivakoff (U. Alberta), Catherine Lovekin (Mount Allison U.), Christian Marois (NRC) and Viktor Khalak (U. Moncton). Sarah Gallagher completed her term in the last awards cycle, and the committee would like to express their deepest thanks for her service.

The deadline for awards nominations was 1 December 2017. An email soliciting nominations was circulated to the CASCA email exploder four (4) weeks before the deadline. Submission deadline was extended to December 8. The following nominations were received:

- 5 Plaskett nominations
- No Qilak nominations but two submissions from past cycles are eligible
- No Dunlap nominations
- 1 Beals nomination

The nomination packages will be circulated to all committee members before 5 January. The deadline for panel members to provide rank-ordered lists of nominees for each award to the Awards Committee chair is 23 February 2018.