



NEWFOUNDLAND AQUACULTURE INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION

AQUACULTURE HALL OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

The Newfoundland Aquaculture Industry Association is pleased to announce Aquaculture Hall of Achievement awards in honour of our 26th Annual Cold Harvest Conference & Trade Show taking place in September. Nominations are currently being accepted for all the awards listed below. The awards ceremony will take place at the Cold Harvest Gala Banquet on Thursday evening, September 26, 2019.

AWARD	CRITERIA
AQUACULTURIST OF THE YEAR	Honours individuals for outstanding contribution to NAIA and/or the development of the aquaculture sector in our Province. Any person from industry, the supply sector, academics or a government agency that has made a significant contribution to NAIA and/or the NL aquaculture industry over a prolonged period of time is eligible to be nominated.
EXCELLENCE IN INNOVATION	Companies or individuals that employ any innovation that has made a significant positive contribution to, among other factors, production performance, animal welfare, processing, health and safety, sustainability or product development. This can be demonstrated in one of the following areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of existing or new technology • Staff management and training • Farming practices
STEWARDSHIP AND SUSTAINABILITY AWARD	Awards an initiative that has contributed significantly to the sustainability of a business in its environment. This covers areas such as: Containment, predator management, wild stock interactions, waste management and mitigation, benthic and water column impacts and visual amenity. Also, collaborative resource management, including with other marine businesses is also encouraged.
AQUACULTURE SUPPLIER OF THE YEAR	Special recognition of an Associate Member: Awarded to a service provider or supplier who has shown commitment to any of the following: quality of products, services, technical advice and input, back-up service and communication, product research and development to further the economic performance and sustainability of the aquaculture industry. Nominees could be suppliers of aquaculture products or suppliers of goods and services to finfish and shellfish producers.
COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD	Awarded to an individual, company or organization who has improved and enhanced the image and knowledge of the sector within local coastal communities. There will be a particular focus on education and raising awareness among individuals or groups, including local community bodies, businesses and schools.
DISTINGUISHED EARLY CAREER (Youth)	To mark the achievements of the up-and-coming generation within the industry. The award celebrates the talent and ambition of a junior employee or apprentice within the aquaculture industry, recognizing outstanding talent and encouraging rising stars to become tomorrow's industry leaders. Nominations are open to youth (under-35) based in Newfoundland and Labrador.
AQUACULTURE AMBASSADOR	Awarded to an individual who represents aquaculture in a positive light through public engagement, promoting the sustainable aquaculture industry in Newfoundland and Labrador.



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HALL OF ACHIEVEMENT NOMINATIONS

Nominee Name: _____

Address: _____

Rationale (Additional Substantiation can be attached): _____

Nominations **must be received no later than September 1, 2019**. (More than one nomination accepted)

Please submit your nominations in confidence to:

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