Calls for the Four USAIN Awards for 2017

USAIN Awards Committee is seeking nominees for the USAIN SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION AWARD

Criteria for this award are:
· demonstrated leadership in advancing the field of agricultural information
· established new directions or visions for the field of agricultural information
· contributed to the development, application or utilization of new or improved methods or techniques in the organization or delivery of agricultural information
· conducted significant studies/research in agricultural information

If you would like to nominate someone for this award, please submit the nomination in accordance with the procedure outlined below:

I/we submit the name of ___________________________ in nomination for the USAIN Service to the Profession Award.

Provide a brief biographical sketch of the nominee, including current mailing address, e-mail address and a brief description of activities and accomplishments (including dates whenever possible) that support your nomination for this award based on the criteria described above.

Nomination deadline is December 1, 2017.

The Honoree will be notified by January 26, 2018 and invited to attend the 2018 USAIN conference, at his/her expense, to be held May 13-16, 2018 at Washington State University in Pullman, Washington where s/he will be honored at the conference banquet.

Please send nomination letters via email to:
Lisa Vallen – evallen@ucmerced.edu

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Thank you for considering a nomination.

USAIN Awards Committee 2017-2018
Kristen Mastel (Chair), University of Minnesota; Patricia Hartman, Auburn University; Emily MacKenzie, McGill University; Lisa Vallen, University of California, Merced
USAIN Awards Committee is seeking nominations for the USAIN HONORARY MEMBERSHIP AWARD

Honorary members shall be individuals who are not members of the United States Agricultural Information Network, but who have been either outstanding individuals in the field of agricultural information or who have provided outstanding service or support to the Network.

Honorary Member award recipients will be given a life membership in USAIN. Awards may be given to persons outside the field of agricultural information. Criteria for nominees include:

- leadership in advancing the field of agricultural information from outside the profession
- outstanding support of USAIN activities and directions

To submit a nomination, send a detailed letter to the Awards Committee describing the potential recipient’s contributions in the area(s) listed above.

Nomination deadline is December 1, 2017.

The Honoree will be notified by January 26, 2018 and invited to attend the 2018 USAIN conference, at his/her expense, to be held May 13-16, 2018 at Washington State University in Pullman, Washington where s/he will be honored at the conference banquet.

Please send the nomination via e-mail to:
Kristen Mastel – meye0539@umn.edu

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Thank you for considering a nomination.

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Conference Scholarships for Members New to USAIN or Agricultural Information:

Attention USAIN Members:

The USAIN Awards Committee is pleased to announce we are now accepting applications for our biennial conference scholarships. We look forward to hearing from you!

CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MEMBERS NEW TO USAIN OR AGRICULTURAL INFORMATION

Two $1000.00 scholarships to be applied to the costs of attending the USAIN 2018 conference are available to library school graduates who are USAIN members new to the field of agricultural information (less than three years) or first time USAIN Conference attendees. The conference will be held May 13-16, 2018 at Washington State University in Pullman, Washington.

To apply, send a cover letter including name, address, e-mail address, and phone number along with job title/description, place of employment and length of time spent in the agricultural information field, and/or a statement as a first-time attendee.

Also, submit an essay on a separate page or pages. The essay should be double-spaced, no more than 750 words, and address the 2018 conference theme: “Consuming Information: Agriculture at the Crossroads of Sustainability.”

Additional conference information is available at: http://libguides.libraries.wsu.edu/usain2018

Essays will be judged on the basis of thoughtfulness, quality of writing, and adherence to application guidelines as described above.

Checks will be presented to the recipients at the USAIN Awards ceremony at the Conference. USAIN reserves the right to withhold the awards if there are no suitable applicants.

Deadline is December 1, 2017.
Scholarship recipients will be notified by January 26, 2018.

Send the cover letter and essay via email to:
Emily MacKenzie – emily.mackenzie@mcgill.ca

Thank you for your interest in the USAIN Scholarships.

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Conference Scholarship for Students

Attention USAIN Members:

The USAIN Awards Committee is pleased to announce we are now accepting applications for our biennial conference scholarship for library school students. We look forward to hearing from you!

CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS

One $1000.00 scholarship to be applied to the cost of attending the USAIN 2018 conference is available to a student interested in pursuing a career in the field of agricultural information. The conference will be held May 13-16, 2018 at Washington State University in Pullman, Washington.

To apply, send a cover letter including name, address, e-mail address, and phone number, along with information about the program of study you are undertaking and a brief explanation of why you are interested in attending the USAIN conference or how agricultural information fits into your career plans.

Also, submit a typed essay on a separate page or pages. The essay should be double-spaced, no more than 750 words, and address the 2018 conference theme: “Consuming Information: Agriculture at the Crossroads of Sustainability.”

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A check will be presented to the recipient at the USAIN Awards ceremony at the Conference. USAIN reserves the right to withhold the award if there are no suitable applicants.

Deadline is December 1, 2017.
Scholarship recipient will be notified by January 26, 2018.

Send the cover letter and essay via email to:
Patricia Hartman – pjh0011@auburn.edu

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Thank you for your interest in the USAIN Scholarship.

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