



Award Program Guidelines  
&  
Nomination Form

2010

The only award in Indiana that recognizes urban environmental stewardship through  
*urban forestry*

Deadline Sept. 10, 2010

## PURPOSE, ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY PROCEDURES

The Indiana Urban Forest Council (IUFC) Awards Program honors individuals, projects, civic groups, businesses, tree boards, volunteers and municipal agencies, which enhance the environmental health of Indiana's cities and towns through urban forestry. Outstanding efforts in urban forestry, whether public or private, are eligible to be recognized in the competition.

Awards are made in seven separate categories. Each of the categories is explained below. These categories were selected to make the competition between similar entities more equitable and more representative for all the participants. The awards are presented at the Annual IUFC Conference, which has been held each fall since 1991.

### Eligibility

To be eligible for an IUFC Award, a nomination must:

- Result in significant enhancement of the urban forest
- Represent a significant change for the betterment of the resource
- Have been done in the last three years

Individuals or groups who have received this award previously cannot be resubmitted for three years.

Officers of the IUFC are not eligible. Board members are eligible.

### Entry Procedures

1. Nomination may be entered in more than one category
2. Individuals may make more than one nomination in a category
3. Complete the attached Awards Nomination Form.
4. Supplemental material such as photos, news clippings, etc must accompany the nomination form
5. Nominator will be contacted for additional information if necessary
6. All entries must be postmarked by August 30, 2009

## Award Categories

### CATEGORY SELECTION

**Individual:** to recognize an individual who, as part of one's volunteer work or employment, is the moving force behind efforts to improve the urban forest. This individual is driven by a strong desire to do something significant to enhance the environment with trees. Such dedication and interest are often exemplified through leadership and self-commitment.

**Tree Board or Urban Forestry Committee:** to recognize the urban forest board or committee who has made the greatest progress in protecting and enhancing its own urban forest.

**Civic Organization:** to recognize a civic group, which volunteers its time and energies making a significant difference in the urban forest. Considered for recognition are beautification committees, homeowner associations, garden clubs, Rotary Clubs, youth groups, 4-H, Boy and Girls Scouts, church youth groups, schools, colleges and universities.

**Project:** to recognize an outstanding single project, which has made a positive impact on the urban forest. Particular consideration will be given to projects that can be copied or adapted for use by other communities.

**Government Entity:** to recognize a government entity for its cooperation in urban forestry programs. This category includes city and town agencies, county, state or federal government agencies, working to enhance the urban forests and community beautification.

**Business or Professional Organization:** Any type of business or professional organization that enhances the environmental health of Indiana communities through urban forestry is eligible for this award.

**Tree Steward:** to recognize a Tree Steward that stands out as an outstanding individual working toward the ideals of promoting, protecting and expanding their community forest. This dedicated volunteer should embody commitment and should have successfully completed a community Tree Steward program co-sponsored by the IDNR, Community & Urban Forestry Department or the IUFC.

# Awards Program Nomination Form

The Indiana Urban Forest Council presents awards annually at their fall conference to recognize individuals, and groups that have made outstanding efforts in promoting urban forestry in Indiana. There are seven different award categories, outstanding individual, civic group, government entity, project, tree board or committee, business and outstanding Tree Steward.

*To make a nomination, please complete and return this form to:*

Pam Louks, C&UF  
Natural Resource Education Center  
Fort Harrison State Park  
5785 Glenn Road  
Indianapolis, IN 46216

Please put your nomination materials on a CD and mail  
OR  
E-mail them to: [plouks@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:plouks@dnr.IN.gov)

*Nominations must be received by Sept. 10, 2010*

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person in charge of Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_ (home)

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Person submitting entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Signature

Date

*Please -describe your nominee and the program or projects that make them stand out. Additional information and photos on a CD are most especially welcome!*

# PREVIOUS AWARD WINNERS

## 1991 - 2005

### Business of the Year

1991 PSI Energy  
1992 Indianapolis Power & Light  
1993 Northern Indiana Public Service Co..  
1994 Indiana Michigan Power  
1995 Chevy GEO  
1996 J-M Tree Experts  
1997 ReLeaf Tree Consultants  
1998 Dever Distributing Company  
1999 Baran and Son Funeral Home  
2000 Asplundh Tree Service  
2001 Richmond Power & Light  
2002 T-Mate-O  
2003 Wright Tree Service  
2004 USS Steel-Gary Works  
2005 Hank Metzger Landscape

### Civic Organization

1991 Greencastle Civic League  
1992 Trees, Inc., Terre Haute  
1993 Muncie Clean City, Inc.  
1994 Operation City Beautiful, Evansville  
1995 Richmond Tree Commission  
1996 Hoosier ReLeaf  
1997 Lafayette Tree Fund  
1998 Keep Indianapolis Beautiful (KIB)  
1999 Citizens for Greenspace, Carmel  
2000 Angola Middle School  
2001 Michigan City H.S. Junior ROTC  
2002 Taltree Arboretum & Gardens  
2003 Regreening Greenfield  
2004 Greenfield Central Schools  
2005 Valley Hills Garden Club, Madison

### Government Entity

1991 Franklin  
1992 North Manchester  
1993 Bedford.  
1994 Noblesville  
1995 Elkhart  
1996 Anderson  
1997 Bloomington  
1998 Fort Wayne  
1999 Decatur  
2000 USDA Forest Service NA  
2001 Purdue University Grounds  
2002 Arrowhead RC& D  
2003 Purdue University -Forestry

### Government Entity

2004 Hoosier Heartland RC&D  
2005 Angola

### Individual of the Year

1991 Sue Dillon, Carmel  
1992 Liz Ridenour, LaPorte  
1993 Helen Lillich, Lafayette  
1994 Lee Huss, Bloomington  
1995 Rick Barker, Indianapolis  
1996 Joy Sacopulos, Terre Haute  
1997 Larry Dombkowski, NIPSCO  
1998 Gina Darnell, Chesterton  
1999 Mike Miller, Middlebury  
2000 Mark Ringenberg, Leo  
2001 Trish Eccles, Terre Haute  
2002 Anne Maschmeyer, Indianapolis Downtown Inc  
2003 Jason Kissel, Indianapolis  
2004 Caryl Schwaller, Madison  
2005 Nancy Brandtmiller, Fort Wayne

### Project of the Year

1998 Rotary Greenway, Indianapolis  
1999 Friends of the Arboretum, Inc.,  
Deming Park, Terre Haute  
2000 City of Madison Arbor Day  
2001 City of Anderson T/P Target Zones  
2002 Monroe Co. School Corp.  
2003 Tornado Turnaround  
2004 Indiana Community Tree Selection Guide  
2005 Millers Shower Park, Bloomington

### Tree Board of the Year

1998 Anderson Tree Board  
1999 Winamac Tree Board  
2000 Michigan City Tree Board  
2001 Trees, Inc. (Terre Haute)  
2002 Mitchell Tree Board  
2003 Whiting Tree Board  
2004 Tipton Tree Advisory Commission  
2005 Anderson Tree Commission

### Tree Steward of the Year

2002 Lowell Sumner, Anderson  
2003 Leigh Bangs, Carmel  
2004 Tom Coleman, Bloomington  
2005 Cheryl Gettelfinger, Carmel

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## 2006-2009

### Business of the Year

2006 Goshen Cancer Center  
2007 US Steel Gary Works & Midwest Plant  
2008 Eli Lilly and Company  
2009 ALCOA Foundation

### Civic Organization

2006 Indiana Arborist Association  
2007 Alliance of Crown Hill Neighbors  
2008 Indiana Nursery & Landscape Association  
2009 St. Luke's United Methodist Church/La Plaza

### Government Entity

2006 Vigo County Extension, Purdue University  
2007 IU/SPEA/Urban Forestry Management Course  
2008 City of Beech Grove  
2009 Hamilton Co. SWCD Backyard Conservation

### Individual of the Year

2006 Donald Minter, M.D.  
2007 Jerry Riffle, Ph. D.  
2008 Robert F. Wagner  
2009 John Schnadenberg

### Project of the Year

2006 Power Line Arboretum, Middlebury/NIPSCO  
2007 IPFW/Native Trees of Indiana River Walk  
2008 101 Trees of Indiana at the Indiana Mile  
2009 Lafayette Twyckenham Blvd. Planting

### Tree Board of the Year

2006 Greendale Tree Board  
2007 Delphi Forestry Commission  
2008 Rensselaer Urban Forestry Council  
2009 Crown Point Tree Board

### Tree Steward of the Year

2006 Becky Ehler, Rosemary Kirby, Sharon Strickland  
2007 John Montgomery  
2008 Ron Kinstler  
2009 John Hear



What are you waiting for?

Has one person or group of persons, a business, or other entity helped advance urban forestry in your neighborhood, community, county, or state?

Take a little time, make a small effort to say thank you in a public way.

Acknowledge their efforts by nominating them for an award!