National Marine Educators Association
Annual Awards

Outstanding Teacher Award

➢ For effective and innovative classroom teaching at any level. Only NMEA members are eligible. Nominees must be NMEA members in good standing before award application is submitted. Participation in NMEA is an important consideration for the award.

➢ Documentation describing candidate’s classroom environment, innovative materials and activities used and/or developed, integration of marine topics into various subject areas, and evidence of successful performance by candidate’s students should be detailed in nomination package.

➢ Recipient receives a one-year NMEA membership and engraved award.

➢ A complete nomination form, along with any recommendation letters and all other supporting materials, must be received by the awards committee on or before April 1.

James Centorino Award

➢ For distinguished performance in marine education by professionals who are not classroom teachers. Only NMEA members are eligible. Nominees must be NMEA members in good standing before award application is submitted. Active participation in NMEA is an important consideration.

➢ Documentation describing major contributions - outstanding leadership, program development, and participation in marine education organizations over the past five years should be detailed in the nomination package.

➢ Recipient receives a one-year NMEA membership and engraved award.

➢ A complete nomination form, along with any recommendation letters and all other supporting materials, must be received by the awards committee chairperson on or before April 1.

Marine Education Award

➢ For outstanding work and leadership in any aspect of marine education at the local, regional, or national level. Can be awarded to a member or a non-member of NMEA, for current or past accomplishments.

➢ Recipient receives a one-year NMEA membership and engraved award.

➢ Documentation describing nominee’s career accomplishments in marine education – national and/or regional impact, leadership, programs, etc., should be detailed in nomination package.

➢ A complete nomination form, along with any recommendation letters and all other supporting materials, must be received by the awards committee on or before April 1.
National Marine Educators Association Awards Nomination Form

Please mark the appropriate nomination category. ☐ Check one only.

Deadline: April 1

☐ Outstanding Teacher Award  ☐ James Centorino Award  ☐ Marine Educator Award

Please complete this form, scan and send by email along with the supporting documentation as described below. Digital submissions only, please. If you have questions, please contact the Awards Committee Chair, justine@gmri.org.

The nomination package should be concise but detailed. Include the following:

1. A narrative description of the nominee’s background as it relates to the award.
   (one page, 500 words maximum)

2. A description of successful education activities and programs for which the nominee is responsible. (2-3 pages, 1500 words maximum)

3. Optional: Any additional narrative information supporting the nomination.
   (one page, 500 words maximum)

4. Supporting documents, maximum of five (5) separate items representing the nominee’s products, programs, and accomplishments. Examples include curriculum vita, abstracts of publications or educational resources authored by the nominee, news articles about nominee’s projects, etc.

5. Letters of support from colleagues, students, supervisors, etc. A maximum of three (3) letters will be forwarded to the evaluation committee. Please submit letters as part of the nomination package. If letters are sent separately, they must be sent by email to arrive on or before April 1.

Nominee __________________________________________ Nominator __________________________________________

Affiliation __________________________________________ Affiliation __________________________________________

Address __________________________________________ Address __________________________________________

City/State/Zip __________________________________________ City/State/Zip __________________________________________

Phone __________________________________________ Phone __________________________________________

Email __________________________________________ Email __________________________________________

Submit nominations to:
Justine Glynn, NMEA Awards Committee Chair
Email: justine@gmri.org
Phone: 207-228-1626

NOTE: Results will be communicated to nominators and nominees by May 1. Nominators and awardees will be asked to provide five digital images of the awardee to be used during the award presentation ceremony.