

2018-2019 Report for the Executive Committee of the AAPA: History & Honors Committee
Cleveland, Ohio
March 2019

I. Darwin and Lasker Awards

- A. We solicited and received nominations for two awards:
 - a. Charles R. Darwin Lifetime Achievement Award
 - b. Gabriel W. Lasker Service Award
- B. Using social media, the AAPA conference portal, and the AAPA website, we solicited nominations for the Darwin and Lasker awards. All nominations were due on October 15th 2018. As in years past, nominations from 2017 were held over and considered in this year's competition. Nominations are only held over for one calendar year. All nominations were submitted electronically. This year we required that everyone submitting a nomination also submit a "Nominator's Disclosure Form" asserting that they can attest to the ethical behavior of their nominee. This will remain a requirement moving forward.
- C. This year we had 10 nominations for the Darwin Lifetime Achievement Award. Four of the nominations were holdovers from 2017. We also had 4 nominations for the Lasker Award for Outstanding Service. Two of these nominations were holdovers from 2017. These nominations were distributed to members of the Executive Committee via Google Drive on December 13, 2018. Voting concluded on December 25th. Members of the Executive Committee who submitted nominations on behalf of their colleagues recused themselves from voting for that specific award.
- D. Our 2018 winners are:
 - a. Dr. Matt Cartmill (Boston University) – Darwin Lifetime Achievement Award
 - b. Dr. Susan Antón (New York University) – Lasker Service Award
- E. Members are encouraged to submit new nominations to me, Robin Nelson, by October 15th, 2019.

II. History

- A. Coinciding with our interest in producing an expanded and accurate history of the AAPA on Wikipedia, there has been a groundswell of interest from professional biological anthropologists and graduate students in producing Wikipedia pages explaining basic concepts in biological anthropology, ranging from genetics to human morphological variability. I am convening a sub-group of these scholars to help with the Wikipedia AAPA page. At the AAPA meeting in Cleveland, we will meet as a group to draft a timeline to complete the expanded AAPA Wikipedia page

Thank you,
Robin G. Nelson, Chair of the History and Honors Committee