



## NACD AWARDS - 2014

NACD presents awards annually to recognize individuals and organizations for outstanding work and leadership in soil and water conservation. Summaries of each award and eligibility requirements are below.

Nomination forms and corresponding award information are posted on the NACD website at [www.nacdnet.org](http://www.nacdnet.org). Award-specific questions can be directed to [awards@email.nacdnet.org](mailto:awards@email.nacdnet.org).

### NACD Friend of Conservation Award

**Summary:** The *Friend of Conservation Award* recognizes an individual, business, organization, agency, etc. outside the association for outstanding contributions to the conservation of our nation's natural resources.

**Eligibility:** Any individual, business, organization or agency that is not directly associated with conservation districts at the local, state or national level is eligible to receive this award. Nominations are accepted by any individual, organization, agency or conservation district.

**Selection:** The *Friend of Conservation Award* is open to nominations. The recipient will be selected by the NACD Awards Committee.

**Number Awarded:** 1

**Award:** The award recipient will be honored at the Annual Meeting in New Orleans in February. They will receive one single day complimentary registration to the meeting, one complimentary ticket to the Appreciation Banquet and a plaque. They will also be recognized in NACD Publications and on the website.

**Nominations Open:** Now through August 31, 2014

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### NACD Distinguished Service Award

**Summary:** The *Distinguished Service Award* recognizes an individual within the association, a conservation district, or a state association that has made significant contributions to the conservation and proper management of our nation's natural resources.

**Eligibility:** Nominees can be involved with districts or the association at any level, including past NACD officers. Nominations are also accepted for individuals posthumously and may be submitted by any individual, organization, agency or conservation district.

**Selection:** The *Distinguished Service Award* is open to nominations. The recipient will be selected by the NACD Awards Committee.

**Number Awarded: 1**

**Award:** The award recipient will be honored at the Annual Meeting in New Orleans in February. They will receive one single-day complimentary registration to the meeting, one complimentary ticket to the Appreciation Banquet and a plaque. They will also be recognized in NACD Publications and on the website.

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## NACD President's Award

**Summary:** This award recognizes an individual or organization that has been especially helpful or active with regard to conservation during the current NACD President's term. This award is not announced until the Annual Meeting.

**Eligibility:** There are no eligibility restrictions for this award.

**Selection:** The *President's Award* is selected solely by the current NACD President.

**Number Awarded: 1**

**Award:** The award recipient will be honored at the Annual Meeting in New Orleans in February. They will also be recognized in NACD Publications and on the website.

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## Additional Awards/Recognition Categories

**Photo Contest** - NACD partners with the Auxiliary to sponsor an annual photo contest. The award recognizes individuals who use the tool of photography effectively and creatively. Winning photographs are displayed on the NACD website and at the Annual Meeting. Entries are due December 1 of each year. Rules, submission and additional information are available on the NACD website <http://nacdnet.org/education/contests/>.

**National Poster Contest** – NACD partners with the NACD Auxiliary to conduct the annual Poster Contest. Winning national posters are displayed on the NACD website and at the Annual Meeting. Poster must go through a local or area and state contest to be eligible for national contest. State winning entries are due December 1 of each year. Contest promotion, state entry requirements and additional information are available on the NACD website <http://nacdnet.org/education/contests/>.

**Conservation Education Awards** - District and Teacher of the Year contests are held at the local and/or state level only.