



## UFC Award Nominations

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Are you aware of an individual, organization, business, community or tribe which has developed an outstanding urban forestry program or project? Thank them and let them know how much they have made a difference by nominating them for a Wisconsin Urban Forestry Council Award. Each year the Council provides award recognition to outstanding projects and programs which further urban forestry in Wisconsin. The awards are announced at the annual Wisconsin Urban Forestry Conference and will be presented locally in communities. The four award categories are:

**Distinguished Service** – recognizes an individual for their outstanding contributions to urban forestry in Wisconsin.

**Project Partnership** – recognizes outstanding projects that utilize partnerships as a means of providing services or benefits to the urban forest.

**Elected Official** – recognizes an elected official at the state, county, or local level of government who has made an outstanding recent contribution to urban forestry in Wisconsin. This could be an official who has gone “above and beyond” in support.

**Innovations in Urban Forestry** – recognizes a community, individual, association or organization exhibiting outstanding innovations in the development or enhancement of an urban forestry project or program. This award recognizes the creativity, commitment and success of urban forestry efforts.

The nomination process can be initiated two different ways – a preliminary nomination or complete nomination.

A preliminary nomination can be submitted by anyone who would like to recognize outstanding efforts of an individual, organization or group which has resulted in a positive impact on Wisconsin community and urban forests. Preliminary nominations can be submitted anytime throughout the year and should include: name(s), address(es), and phone number(s) of the individual/organization being nominated; award category; project name; and your name and contact information.

Once a preliminary nomination is received, the urban forestry council will contact the nominated individual/organization and announce that they have been recognized for their urban forestry efforts and request they submit a complete nomination form. The annual grant cycle closes December 15, so be sure to submit preliminary nominations in time to allow submission of a complete nomination by the nominee. **OR...**

A **complete nomination** can be directly submitted by **December 15** and should include the award category; name(s), address(es), and phone number(s) of the individual/organization being nominated; project name, if applicable; and name(s), address(es), and phone number(s) of persons to be contacted regarding the nomination.

Include a description of the merits of the nominee or the achievements of the project or partnership. Include the goals/objectives of the project and detail the outcome or impact the action had on the community. Why do you believe this nominee is deserving of the award? Feel free to attach supporting documents (news clippings, photos, letters, etc.) that strengthen the nomination.

Send both types of nominations to the Wisconsin Urban Forestry Council, P.O. Box 7921, Madison, WI 53707 or email to: [Laura.Wyatt@Wisconsin.gov](mailto:Laura.Wyatt@Wisconsin.gov). For more information, visit <http://dnr.wi.gov/forestry/UF/council/awards.html>.

### Logan Nelson Appointed ASCA Rep to CTLA

Logan Nelson has recently been appointed the American Society of Consulting Arborists (ASCA) representative to the Council of Tree and Landscape Appraisers (CTLA). She has also written four extensive informational articles for *Arborist News* regarding appraisal principles and procedures. The first two articles appeared in the June and August issues and the latter two will appear in the October and December issues.

### Dave Scharfenberger Elected to ISA Executive Committee

Wisconsin's own, Dave Scharfenberger, co-owner of Wachtel Tree Science & Service, Inc. and former president of the WAA, was elected to the Executive Committee of the International Society of Arboriculture at the annual conference in Hawaii. Dave will serve as vice president through July, 2007.