

Call for Nominations for CTPA Awards-2026

The Connecticut Tree Protective Association regularly honors individuals who have made significant contributions to arboriculture and to the care and protection of Connecticut's trees. These awards are given annually and presented at the Annual Meeting. The CTPA Board of Directors is requesting nominees for awards for the upcoming Annual Meeting on January 21, 2027 and encourages you to nominate someone whom you feel deserves special recognition.

Award Categories:

- **Award of Merit-** This award is presented to a CTPA member who has shown exemplary professionalism and dedication and made outstanding contributions to the care and protection of Connecticut's trees.
- **Arborist Citation-** This award is presented to a non-member who has shown exemplary dedication to the care and protection of Connecticut's trees.

Lists of recipients of both awards can be found on the back of this form.

Instructions for Nominations:

Please include the following in your nomination submission:

Name of Nominee: _____

Award of Merit _____ **Arborist Citation** _____

Company or Affiliation: _____

Statement of Support: State why this nominee should be considered for the Award (check the Award you are nominating them for—Award of Merit or Arborist Citation). This statement should address how the nominee has contributed to advance the care of trees. Please feel free to attach additional sheets.

Your Name: _____

Your Contact Information (Phone, Email): _____

Mail, email, or fax this information by December 1, 2026, to:

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Award of Merit

Recipients of the award since 1946

1946	Dr. Walter Filley	1972	Paul S. Walgren	1998	Peter Moritz	2016	John Cocoa
1947	Sherman Hollister	1973	Victor Jarm	1999	Larry Cooper	2017	Rich Mitchell
1947	A. Robert	1974	Bernard Wright	1999	Bruce Pauley	2018	Leslie Lewis III
1948	Dr. Roger Friend	1975	Paul R. Walgren	2000	David Hayner	2019	Sandy Ingellis
1949	Dr. F. A. Bartlett	1976	Dr. John	2001	Dave Goodson	2020	Fred Grimshaw
1950	Neal Millane	1977	Kenneth Grimm	2002	Glenn Dreyer	2021	All Arbor 101
1951	Dr. S. F. Potts	1978	Charles Barr	2003	Robert Bartlett, Jr.		Instructors
1952	Dr. James	1978	Oscar Stone	2004	Christina Berger	2022	Dan Dalton
1953	George Mallett	1979	Thomas Williams	2005	Bob Horan	2023	Shawn Emmons
1954	Albert M. Meserve	1980	Martin Kelly	2005	Aerial Lift of CT (in	2024	Matt Bartelme
1955	Jasper McLevy	1981	Herbert Cran, Jr.		honor of Ernie	2025	Kevin W. Wyatt
1955	Dr. Rush Marshall	1982	Peter Hannon		DePiero)		Gregory Lukos
1955	Harry Muench	1983	Henry Pratt	2006	David Tovar		
1956	Oscar Warner	1984	Frederick Kuhr	2007	Dr. Sharon Douglas		
1957	George Hollister	1985	Alan Chapman	2008	Larry Dvorsky		
1958	Edward Connell	1986	Robert Mullane	2008	Jeff Ward		
1959	Dr. Paul Tilford	1987	Raymond Smith	2008	Pat Flynn		
1960	John Woodruff	1988	Neil Millane	2009	John Kehoe		
1961	Harold Perkins	1989	Bruce Walgren	2009	Ken Placko		
1962	Dr. Albert Dimond	1990	Ernest Depiero	2010	Douglas Pistawka		
1963	Ray Landis	1991	David Finch	2011	Don Parrott		
1964	Joseph Dietrich	1992	John Brodeur	2012	Patrick J. Kearns		
1965	Harry Meunch	1993	Richard Masi	2013	Chris Donnelly		
1966	Orville Spicer	1994	John Moran	2014	Bud Neal		
1967	T. William	1995	Alan Carey	2014	Doug Williams		
1968	Neely Turner	1996	Sperry Lincoln	2015	Luke Williams		
1971	Philip Rusden	1997	Dr. Mark McClure	2015	Dave and Diana		
					Ross		

Arborist Citation

Recipients of the award since 1970

1970	Harry Sudakoff	1992	Bushnell Park Association	2017	Urban Resource Initiative
1971	John Hansell	1994	Don Kiley	2018	Dr. Richard Cowles
1972	B. Von Lanurdoff	1995	Dr. Sharon Douglas	2019	Thomas E. Worthley
1973	Woolsey Conover	1996	Fred Borman III	2020	Leona May
1974	Connie Peterson	1998	Cedar Hill Cemetery Association	2021	Linda Schmidt and
1975	Theodore Stamen	1999	Jessie Stratton		Casey Tresp
1976	Mary Jane Vickerson	2000	City of Bridgeport/Mayor Joseph Ganim	2022	Leo Roldan
1977	Dr. Gerald Walton	2001	DEP Division of Pesticide Management	2023	Bill Gleason
1978	Michael Pochan	2002	Armando Paolino	2025	R.M. Esther Agee O.S.B.
1979	Dr. Edward Duda	2003	Tom Rathier		
1980	Dr. George Stephens	2004	Ed Richardson		
1981	Joseph Maisano	2005	Dr. Bruce Fraedrich		
1982	Dr. Richard Janes	2006	CT Tree Warden Assn.		
1983	Dr. Kenn Bradley	2008	Ken Palmer and ArborMaster Training		
1984	Joan Lee Faust	2009	Norwalk Tree Alliance		
1985	Charles Addison	2009	Milford Trees, Inc.		
1986	Aqua Turf Club	2010	Rose Hiskes		
1987	Loren Sniffen	2011	The City of New Haven		
1988	Dr. Paul Waggoner	2012	Dr. David Schroeder		
1989	M. J. Nickerson	2013	Rita Smith		
1990	Kenneth Welch	2014	Dr. Dennis Ryan		
1991	Dr. Phillip Wargo	2015	George Mellick		

