



BOTANICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA, INC.



**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
2020 BSA**

Charles Edwin Bessey Teaching Award

This award is given annually by the Education Committee, in conjunction with the Teaching Section at the BSA Awards Ceremony. It recognizes outstanding contributions made to Botanical instruction. This award recognizes individuals whose work has improved the quality of botanical education at a regional, national, or international level. The ideal candidate's application will demonstrate the following:

- Enthusiasm for teaching botany
- Innovation in teaching that increases student and/or public interest in botany
- Innovation in teaching botany that increases the quality of botanical education
- BSA Membership

Reviewing past recipients may be helpful in determining whether an individual is a good candidate for this award. (<https://cms.botany.org/home/awards/awards-for-established-scientists/charlesebesseyaward.html>)

The 2020 Award(s) will be presented at **BOTANY 2020**, in Anchorage, Alaska on July 22.

The selection of awardees is driven largely by nominations from the membership.

Nominations should include:

1. A formal letter of nomination including a clear statement of
 - a. The notable accomplishments of the candidate;
 - b. Contributions made by the candidate and evidence of influence on the discipline or people;
2. Letters of support and evaluation regarding the nominee's candidacy from at least three referees (maximum of 5), with complete contact information (postal address, phone and e-mail address); and
3. The curriculum vita of the candidate being considered.

All nominating materials must arrive no later than **April 10, 2020**.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,
Dr. Chris Martine, Education Director
Dr. Kyra Krakos, Chair of the BSA Teaching Section

Nominations and all required materials must be emailed as a .PDF file to bsa-manager@botany.org. Please include "2020 Bessey Award Nomination" in the subject line of your email(s).

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